

**MINUTES
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WEBER COUNTY**

Tuesday, April 8, 2014 - 10:00 a.m.

Commission Chambers, 2380 Washington Blvd., Ogden, Utah

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COMMISSIONERS: Kerry W. Gibson, Chair, Jan M. Zogmaister and Matthew G Bell.

OTHERS PRESENT: Ricky D. Hatch, County Clerk/Auditor; David C. Wilson, Deputy County Attorney; and Fátima Fernelius, of the Clerk/Auditor's Office, who took minutes.

A. WELCOME – Chair Gibson

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Jan Wilson

C. THOUGHT OF THE DAY – Chair Gibson

D. PRESENTATIONS:

1. PRESENTATION OF THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT THEME FOR 2014 "CARING FOR THOSE IN NEED WHILE BUILDING A BETTER QUALITY OF LIFE."

Commissioner Zogmaister noted that the National Association of Counties began County Government Week in 1991 to inform citizens about county government. Weber County elected county officials are visiting fourth graders this week to educate them about this topic and find it very rewarding. An informative pamphlet is sent home with each student.

2. PRESENTATION OF THE "CRYSTAL BOWL AWARDS" TO RECOGNIZE A CITIZEN AND A GROUP THAT HAVE MADE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS IN WEBER COUNTY.

Commissioner Zogmaister stated that it was an easy task to find citizens to recognize this year. The 100% crystal bowls resonate and represent the ability of citizens to enhance and amplify the quality of life in our community. The commissioners said that the RAMP organization was selected because of their great success throughout our community, and the individual selected was Armani McFarland, a 10-year old who heard about a need in the community and went above and beyond in her response to it. Ms. McFarland outlined various drives that she has conducted. Meg Nesbitt, RAMP Chair, noted what a great organization RAMP is. She has been observing how much progress has taken place in the last 10 years, and stated that it has enhanced so many peoples lives in Weber County.

3. PRESENTATION OF THE STATE OF THE COUNTY.

Chair Gibson declared that the state of Weber County is strong and continues to get better. The county has become a premier location in the intermountain west to live and do business. He spoke of our diverse landscape, the vast recreation and economic opportunities to live, work and play in Weber County, where nearly ¼ million people live. The county is very proud of its local businesses and their success and the success of bringing job creators into our community. He highlighted local companies that have created many jobs and brought much economic growth to our community. The county is working on enhance infrastructure to the west to ensure these businesses can succeed.

The economy is still improving after a serious recession and the county unemployment rate has dropped from 5.7% to about 4.5%, compared nationally to over 7%. The Commission will continue to work with all of its economic partners and expects strong economic growth in the future. As executives, they have worked hard to be fiscally responsible and have maintained a flat general fund budget since the 2008 economic decline. All county taxpayers received between \$10-\$18 property tax decreases a little over a year ago as part of the Sheriff's Office realigning costs of services to cities. The county has healthy fund balances that exceed the industry's standards and has received a AAA bond rating (one of only 7 counties west of the Mississippi), which has allowed the county to issue and refinance bonds at much lower rates and saving taxpayers millions of dollars over the lives of the bonds.

Chair Gibson noted the newly expanded Weber County Ice Sheet and the new library projects, stating that spending for the latter will not go unchecked. Research has begun for a public shooting range. He expressed thanks to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints for their continued dedication to the success of our community. There are many great things happening in the county and none could happen without great public servants, who have continually been asked to do more with less. The elected officials are continually being recognized as leaders among leaders and have been honored as Assessor of the Year, Treasurer of the Year, Clerk of the Year and Recorder of the Year. The Sheriff's Office continues to be sought after as a model for law enforcement agencies throughout the State and the County Attorney's Office has had great success in protecting the citizens. Chair Gibson recognized the two commissioners who have the best interest of the citizens at heart. He referred to the courageous actions of Sgt. Nate Hutchinson who took bullets to aid a downed comrade and to daily acts of service and heroism.

E. CONSENT ITEMS:

1. Purchase Orders for \$536,658.68
2. Warrants #308048 - #308207 for \$756,876.66
3. Minutes for the meeting held on April 1, 2014

Commissioner Bell moved to approve the consent items; Commissioner Zogmaister seconded, all voting aye.

F. ACTION ITEMS:

1. CONTRACTS FOR THE RECREATION ARTS MUSEUMS AND PARKS (RAMP) GRANT AWARDS:

North Ogden City (Contract held)	N. Ogden Parks restroom renovation
Ogden School FDN (Contract held)	Dee Community Center
Plain City (Contract held)	Pioneer Park Ph VI
Roy City (Contract held)	George Wahlen North Park project
Weber Pathways (Contract held)	Bonneville Shoreline connector trail
West Haven City (Contract held)	Trail project

Eden Park Service District – Contract C2014-57	Paving of parking areas
Golden Spike Event Center – Contract C2014-58	Cover alleyway between Golden Spike & Arena
Junior League of Ogden – Contract C2014-59	Oasis Learning Center Ph II
Marriott-Slaterville City – Contract C2014-60	River Cove Nature Area & Centennial Trail Head
Ogden Botanical Gardens – Contract C2014-61	Accessible entrance at Garden/River Pkwy
Ogden City – Contract C2014-62	4th Street Complex enhancement-seating 4
Ogden City – Contract C2014-63	Pickleball Courts at Monroe Park 3
Ogden City – Contract C2014-64	High Adventure Park Pavilion 1
Ogden City – Contract C2014-65	4th St. Park sand volleyball court enhancements 2
Ogden Pioneer Heritage FDN – Contract C2014-66	Stadium improvements
Ogden Ranger District – Contract C2014-67	Skyline Trail reconstruction/maintenance (Ph 1)
Ogden School FDN – Contract C2014-68	Community soccer complex (Ph 1)
Pleasant View City Corp. – Contract C2014-69	Barker Park pickle ball courts & parking
Washington Terrace – Contract C2014-70	Little Rohmer Park bathrooms project
Weber Pathways – Contract C2014-71	Pineview Loop Parkway-Pelican Beach segment

Aerospace Heritage FDN – Contract C2014-72	Aerospace Center for Education renovation
Dinosaur Park – Contract C2014-73	Dinosaurs: from Discovery to Display
Dinosaur Park – Contract C2014-74	Education: The Science of Earth's History
Downtown Ogden Inc (Contract held)	Farmers and Art Market
Downtown Ogden Inc (Contract held)	LIVE! Downtown Summer Concert Series
Downtown Ogden Inc (Contract held)	Ogden's First Friday Art Stroll
Downtown Ogden Inc (Contract held)	Ogden Amphitheater backdrops

Eccles Community Art Center – Contract C2014-75	Monthly Exhibits/Art Stroll
Egyptian Theater FDN Inc – Contract C2014-76	Theater Cinema sound system
Egyptian Theater FDN Inc – Contract C2014-77	ETF Performance Series
Historic 25 Business Assn – Contract C2014-78	Harvest Moon Celebration
Historic 25 Business Assn – Contract C2014-79	Witchstock
Imagine Ballet Theatre – Contract C2014-80	Folktales from Russia and Japan
Nurture the Creative Mind – Contract C2014-81	Street Pianos
Nurture the Creative Mind – Contract C2014-82	Fall Youth Arts Festival
Ogden Friends of Acoustic Music – Contract C2014-83	7th Annual Ogden Musical Festival
Ogden Friends of Acoustic Music – Contract C2014-84	2 nd Annual Ogden Valley Roots & Blues Fest.
Ogden Nature Center – Contract C2014-85	Summer Concerts
Ogden Pioneer Heritage FDN – Contract C2014-86	Trail to Pioneer Days
Ogden Pioneer Heritage FDN – Contract C2014-87	Ogden Pioneer Days entertainment
Ogden Pioneer Heritage FDN – Contract C2014-88	Lighting -Utah Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum
Ogden School Foundation – Contract C2014-89	Ucreate
Ogden Symphony Ballet – Contract C2014-90	(Total 7 Apps) Misc. performances
Project Success Coalition – Contract C2014-91	25 th Anniversary Junteenth Heritage Fest.
Treehouse Museum – Contract C2014-92	Story Stage
Treehouse Museum – Contract C2014-93	ReImagining Play at Treehouse
Treehouse Museum – Contract C2014-94	Curious George Comes to Treehouse
Treehouse Museum – Contract C2014-95	Picture This
Union Station Foundation – Contract C2014-96	Ogden Arts Festival at the Union Station
Union Station Foundation – Contract C2014-97	Children's Railroad Museum
Weber Arts Council – Contract C2014-98	Chamber Orchestra Ogden
Weber County/Eccles Conference – Contract C2014-99	Peery's DCP Projector
Weber County/Eccles Conference – Contract C2014-100	Peery's Egyptian Theater Electric Marquee
Weber State University – Contract C2014-101	Arts in the Park
Weber State University – Contract C2014-102	Bonneville Chamber Music Festival
Weber State University – Contract C2014-103	Foulger International Music Festival
Weber State University – Contract C2014-104	String Project
Weber State University – Contract C2014-105	ArtReach
Weber State University – Contract C2014-106	Shaw Gallery: Utah Film Circuit

Commissioner Bell noted that all the committee members are volunteers and put an enormous amount of work into RAMP, and he expressed thanks. Meg Naisbitt, Weber County RAMP Chair, stated that in 2014 there was \$3,082,995 available, \$7,856,576.00 was requested, and there were 91 applications. She outlined the tools used to review RAMP.

Commissioner Bell moved to approve the RAMP Contracts C2014-57 – C2014-106, holding the first 6 contracts and the 4 for Ogden Inc.; Commissioner Zogmaister seconded, all voting aye.

2. REQUEST FROM THE TAX REVIEW COMMITTEE FOR DISCUSSION ON A RECOMMENDATION FOR A REQUEST FROM MARK KOELER/WEST HAVEN TOWNHOMES

This item was held.

3. CONTRACT WITH SHAWN PAULSEN, PHD FOR A HYPNOTIST SHOW AT THE 2014 WEBER COUNTY FAIR – CONTRACT C2014-107

Jan Wilson, with Weber County Fair, presented this contract for \$4,000.

Commissioner Bell moved to approve the Contract C2014-107 with Shawn Paulsen, PhD, for a hypnotist show at the 2014 Weber County Fair; Commissioner Zogmaister seconded, all voting aye.

4. CONTRACT WITH STIRRIN' DIRT RACING FOR DEMOLITION DERBY AT THE GOLDEN SPIKE EVENT CENTER (GSCE) ON 5/17/2014 – CONTRACT C2014-108

Jim Harvey, with GSEC, presented this contract.

Commissioner Zogmaister moved to approve the Contract C2014-108 with Stirrin' Dirt Racing for a demolition derby at the GSEC on 5/17/2014; Commissioner Bell seconded, all voting aye.

5. CONTRACT WITH ISRAEL ALEMAN GOMEZ FOR A BULL RIDING/CONCERT EVENT AT THE GOLDEN SPIKE EVENT CENTER (GSEC) ON 4/27/2014 – CONTRACT C2014-109

Jim Harvey, with GSEC, presented this contract.

Commissioner Bell moved to approve the Contract C2014-109 with Israel Aleman Gomez for a bull riding/concert event at the GSEC on 4/27/2014; Commissioner Zogmaister seconded, all voting aye.

G. ASSIGN PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & THOUGHT OF THE DAY FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 2014, 10 A.M.

H. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

I. ADJOURN

Commissioner Bell moved to adjourn at 11:04 a.m.; Commissioner Zogmaister seconded, all voting aye.

Attest:

Kerry W. Gibson, Chair
Weber County Commission

Ricky D. Hatch, CPA
Weber County Clerk/Auditor