

## SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

December 5, 2017

The Board of Davis County Commissioners met on December 5, 2017 at 6:00 PM in room 303 of the Davis County Administration Building, 61 South Main Street, Farmington, Utah. Members present were: Commissioner James E. Smith - Chair, Commissioner P. Bret Millburn, Commissioner Randy B. Elliott, Clerk/Auditor Curtis Koch, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney Neal Geddes and Deputy Clerk/Auditor Janet Hanson.

Agenda as posted

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The Davis County, Utah 2018 Tentative Budget, in accordance with sections 17-36-11 of the Utah Code Annotated, has been available for public inspection at the Clerk/Auditor's Office in room 102 of the Davis County Administration Building in Farmington, Utah. Included in the budget, pursuant to County Ordinance 02-90 approved June 27, 1990, is a performance pay increase for all eligible employees of the County, as well as a market adjustment increase for all Davis County elected officials.

Pursuant to 17-36-12 and 17-36-13 of the Utah Code Annotated, the Board of Davis County Commissioners has scheduled **Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 6:00 PM** at the Davis County Administration Building, room 303 (61 South Main Street) in Farmington, Utah to hold a public hearing for open discussion related to the adoption of the proposed 2018 Budget.

All interested persons are invited to attend.

### AGENDA:

#### Public Hearing for the proposed 2018 Budget

Pledge of Allegiance

Richard Maughan, Davis County Recorder, led the Pledge of Allegiance. All in attendance were invited to stand and join in.

Introductions

Commissioner Smith explained that this special meeting is being held to receive input from the public on our 2018 Davis County Budget. He introduced those on the stand: himself, Commissioner Bret Millburn, Commissioner Randy Elliott, Curtis Koch-Clerk/Auditor, and Neal Geddes, Civil Attorney. He asked those in the audience that work for Davis County to come to the podium and introduce themselves: Brian McKenzie, attending as a citizen. Heidi Voordeckers, Chief Deputy of Audit and Finance in the Clerk/Auditor's Office; Chris Sanford, Library Director; Lynette Mills, Library Deputy Director; Josh Johnson, Library Deputy Director; Mack McDonald, Facilities Director; Richard Maughan, County Recorder; Mark Altom, County Treasurer; Mark Langston, County I.T. Director; Blake Woodall attending as a citizen, and Troy Rawlings, County Attorney.

Budget approval process

Commissioner Smith indicated that this meeting was to receive citizen input before finalizing the proposed 2018 Budget. The process, he explained, is that the Clerk/Auditor has the responsibility to deliver a tentative budget to the County Commission by October 31<sup>st</sup>, each year. He commended Curtis and his team for the transparency and openness of the budget process and getting everyone involved. The tentative 2018 Budget was received and approved during Commission Meeting on October 31, 2017. He noted that since that time there have been some modifications to the budget and that a hand-out entitled "2018 Tentative Budget Modifications" were available on the back table and will be shown on the monitors.

Public Hearing

Commissioner Elliott made a motion to open the public hearing. Commissioner Millburn seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Public comment

### Public comment:

Commissioner Smith gave invitation for the public to make comment.

Curtis Koch explained that his office now turns the budget over to the Commission. He indicated that the "2018 Tentative Budget Modifications" has been outlined for the public rather than reading them line-by-line. The revised "Tentative 2018 Budget" was also made available as a hand-out.

Commissioner Smith gave reminder that Curtis read the 2018 Budget Message during the October 31, 2017 meeting. He encouraged the public to obtain the updated documents for their review.

Commissioner Smith invited the public to make comment

Public comment

Richard Maughan, Layton, as a citizen he thanked this body, particularly Curtis Koch and his team for the excruciating task of whittling down millions of dollars of requests to a manageable budget that does not raise his taxes. He expressed his gratitude for the care taken to take care of the citizens' needs while not breaking their backs with undue taxes. As a citizen he appreciates that very much.

Public Hearing closed

Commissioner Millburn made a motion to close the public hearing. Commissioner Elliott seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Commissioner Millburn asked Curtis Koch if he had received any feedback or comments via email or mail. Curtis indicated his office has not received any comments. He did note that there was some confusion earlier this week because of Google. When a citizen Googled Davis County, they were getting tax increase websites from last year. Those have been addressed. They have received no other comment from the public. Commissioner Millburn also inquired the Commission Office staff, Janet Hanson and Shauna Brady, if there had been any comments received. They confirmed there had not.

Final budget  
scheduled for  
12/12/17

The Tentative 2018 Budget will be addressed for recommended approval at the regularly scheduled Davis County Commission Meeting on December 12, 2017 at 10 AM.

Commendations

Curtis thanked Heidi Voordeckers, Chief Deputy of Audit and Finance, for all of her hard work and indicated that “her work is tremendous”. The burden that is put upon her is substantial. He also recognized the improvements that have been made as a direct result of her work; the improvements in transparency and in the coming weeks and months a new budget document will be made available. This provides transparency and accountability to the public. He felt that this new budget document will meet some of the criteria for the Government Finance Officers’ Association award. The award is not sought for recognition but to show that we are following best practices and to instill confidence in our citizens that we are following an appropriate budget process. Again, he thanked Heidi for all of her long hours and hard work on this budget.

Commissioner Smith echoed Curtis’ comments. Speaking to Heidi, he told her that it is a pleasure to work with her. He appreciates her professionalism and her work. He also thanked those in the audience saying they are very professional in their assignments and noted that we all do what we can to serve the citizens of Davis County. It is his privilege to work with such fine people.

Meeting  
adjourned

Meeting adjourned.

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Clerk/Auditor

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Chair