



## MINUTES

### SUMMIT COUNTY

#### BOARD OF COUNTY COUNCIL

#### ANNUAL LEGISLATIVE RECEPTION

#### LEDGES EVENT CENTER

202 EAST PARK ROAD, COALVILLE, UT 84017

MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2023

#### PRESENT:

**Malena Stevens**, *Council Vice Chair*  
**Canice Harte**, *Council Member*  
**Tonja Hanson**, *Council Member*  
**Chris Robinson**, *Council Member*  
(arrived at 4:46 p.m.)

**Janna Young**, *Interim County Manager*

**Margaret Olson**, *Attorney*

**Dave Thomas**, *Chief Deputy Attorney*

**Rhonda Francis**, *Recorder*

**Stephanie Poll**, *Assessor*

**Cindy Keyes**, *Auditor*

**Corrie Forsling**, *Treasurer*

(arrived 4:59 p.m.)

**Eve Furse**, *Clerk*

**Frank Smith**, *Deputy Sheriff*

**Phil Bondurant**, *Health Dept. Dir.*

**Matt Leavitt**, *Financial Officer*

**Pat Putt**, *Community Development Dir.*

**Derek Siddoway**, *Communications and Public  
Engagement Dir.*

**Aaron Newman**, *Behavioral Health Dir.*

**Kim Carson**, *High Valley Transit Bd. Chair*

**Caroline Rodriquez**, *High Valley Transit Exec.  
Dir.*

**Kathryn McMullin**, *Emergency Mgmt. Dir.*

**Jess Kirby**, *Public Lands Mgr.*

**Jeff Jones**, *Ec. Dev. & Affordable Housing*

**Carl Miller**, *Transportation Dir.*

**Emily Quinton**, *Sustainability Dir.*

**Rena Cowley**, *Foxley, Pignanelli, Co. Lobbyist*

**Des Barker, High Valley Transit Lobbyist**  
**Ron Winterton, Utah Senator**  
**John Johnson, Utah Senator**  
**Kera Birkeland, Utah Representative**  
(left at 5:10 p.m.)  
**Mike Kohler, Utah Representative**

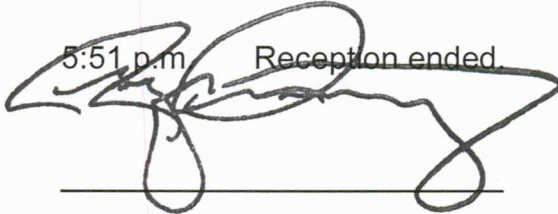
- 4:34 p.m. Malena Stevens, Council Chair, welcomed those present and made introductions.
- 4:40 p.m. Janna Young, Interim County Manager, introduced Summit County's new lobbying team – Frank Pignanelli and Renae Cowley from Foxley and Pignanelli.
- 4:41 p.m. Those Legislators present shared their 2023 session outlooks & legislative priorities.
- a. 4:41 p.m. Senator Winterton provided information about his priorities and interests in the coming legislative session.
  - b. 4:45 p.m. Senator John Johnson set forth the key issues he was paying attention to this session.
  - c. 4:48 p.m. Representative Kera Birkeland spoke about some of the Bills she was sponsoring at the Legislature and the importance of local control.
  - d. 4:52 p.m. Representative Mike Kohler invited input on issues coming in front of the legislature.
- 4:54 p.m. Summit County presented its issues and requests for the 2023 session.
- Land use and annexation--Dave Thomas, Chief Civil Deputy Attorney, outlined the County's concerns regarding land use and annexation legislation in this year's session. Pat Putt, Community Development Director, talked about the County's actions with respect to annexation planning.
  - Housing-Jeff Jones, Economic Development and Housing Director, presented information about affordable and workforce housing in Summit County.
  - Transportation and transit funding—5:12 P.M., Kim Carson, High Valley Transit (HVT) Director, reiterated the importance of the 5<sup>th</sup> quarter tax that is under discussion this year. She also talked about HVT's accomplishments in the last year.
  - Issues from County Elected Offices
    - Stephanie Poll, Assessor, is watching property tax bills and will talk with Representative Birkeland about the constitutional amendment regarding property tax exemption.
    - Rhonda Francis, Recorder, asked the legislators to not pass Rep Teuscher's bill eliminating the County Recorder's office.
    - Eve Furse, Clerk, offered that finality and timeliness of election results are critical to the smooth operation of elected

government. As a result, any election audit should occur before election certification and elected swearing in.

- Council Vice Chair Stevens and Council Member Robinson asked to hear from their legislator about their ideas for strengthening relationships at the Legislature— 5:23 p.m.

5:30 p.m. Q&A and facilitated discussion –Senator Winterton, Rep Kholer, Senator Johnson provided feedback about County’s efforts at the Legislature; all offering to listen and address concerns the County may have about proposed legislation. Texts, phone calls, and emails regarding bills are helpful. Attendees discussed processes and issues related to the upcoming legislative session.

5:51 p.m. Reception ended



Roger Armstrong, Chair



Eve Furse, Clerk

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