



**GRAND COUNTY COMMISSION
BOARD OF CANVASSERS
and
COMMISSION WORKSHOP**

**Grand County Commission Chambers
Hybrid virtual participation on Zoom
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**MINUTES
18 November 2024**

On November 19th, 2024, the Grand County Commission met for a meeting of the Grand County Board of Canvassers and a Budget Workshop. The meeting was held in-person in the Grand County Commission Chambers, with hybrid virtual participation available via Zoom. It was also broadcast and saved on YouTube. Attending the meeting in person were Commission Chair Jacques Hadler, Commission and Commissioners Bill Winfield, Trisha Hedin, Kevin Walker, Evan Clapper, and Mike McCurdy. Also attending in person was acting Commission Administrator Quinn Hall, Clerk/Auditor Gabriel Woytek, and County Attorney Stephen Stocks. Commissioner McGann was absent.

1:00 p.m. Board of Canvassers

1. Canvass and Certification of the 2024 General Election

Clerk/Auditor gave an overview of summary materials and statistics needed to be certified and transmit to the Lt. Governor's Office.

Motion by Commissioner Winfield to certify the votes cast in the November 5, 2024 General Election, as presented by the election officer and canvassed by the County Board of Canvassers. Through the certification of these results, the Board of Canvassers hereby declares elected the following individuals:

Trisha Hedin, Grand County Commission District 1
Melodie McCandless, Grand County Commission District 2
Jacques Hadler, Grand County Commission District 3
Brian Martinez Grand County Commission At-Large
Debbie Swasey, Grand County Assessor
Gina Nelson, Grand County Recorder
Chris Kauffman, Grand County Treasurer
Melissa Byrd, Grand County School District 2
Lauralee Green, Grand County School Board District 3
Jenna Woodbury, Grand County School District 4
Danalee Welch-O'Donnal, retained as Seventh District Court Judge

This board hereby directs the election officer to transmit the certified report of these results to the Office of the Lieutenant Governor and comply with all other declaration requirements as described in Utah State Code 20A-4-304.

Motion seconded by Commissioner McCurdy

Motion passes 6-0

Workshops

2. Land Use Element Workshop

Update to the Grand County General Plan 2030, Repealing and Replacing Section Six: Land Use, and the Future Land Use Map for Spanish Valley (Planning and Zoning Director Amy Weiser)

Weiser walked through the latest draft of the Land Use Element and Future Land Use Map Updates to the 2030 General Plan, including some revisions included a result of Planning Commission discussion. A representative from contracted consulting firm CZB added further depth to this page-by-page review of the draft.

Chair Hadler called a recess until 2:05 p.m.

3. Budget Workshop

Budget Officer Steven Vowles provided an overview of the current tentative budget status, including a revenue forecast update, discussion regarding a \$1,000,000 budgeted draw from the fund balance with the assumption that it would be unspent. Current tentative budget deficit at \$468,979, with over \$1 million in expenses still being considered but not included in the current draft tentative.

Clerk/Auditor Woytek provided an analysis of budgeted vs. actual compensation spending from the last five years, which serves to justify a budgeted draw from the fund balance of \$1 million. Commissioners requested a follow up countywide budget analysis to further support this claim.

Clerk/Auditor Woytek gave an overview of the recommended expenditure of Transient Room Taxes prepared and presented by the Travel Council Advisory Board. Grand County Active Trails and Transportation Director Maddie Logowitz gave a detailed overview of her department's funding by TRT dollars.

Vowles went over results of an offline survey presented to the Commission in order to determine the viability of a variety of budgeting decisions. Six new positions and a cost-of-living adjustment were determined to warrant inclusion in the tentative budget.

Treasurer Kauffman gave a detailed analysis regarding a potential elected official salary adjustment. Kauffman then also presented a draft policy on the allocation of interest from the County's general investment fund to other funds that pool money in that account.

Further discussion and associated justification presented regarding the Utah Retirement Systems Tier 2 contribution for Sheriff's deputies, under consideration for inclusion in the tentative budget.

Chair Hadler adjourned the meeting at 5:11 p.m.



Jacques Hadler
Chair, Grand County Commission



Gabriel Woytek
Grand County Clerk/Auditor