Council Meeting Minutes

February 17, 2026
Council Chambers
6:00 PM

1. **Call to Order**

   Chairman Jared Hamner called the Council Meeting to order at 06:00 PM. The time, place, and agenda of the meeting had been provided to the Tooele Transcript Bulletin and to each member of the governing body by posting the notice and agenda at least two days before on the Tooele County website and emailing them a link.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

   The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Tye Hoffmann.

3. **Roll Call**

   Council Member Roll call as follows:
   Erik Stromberg: PresentJared Hamner: Present

   Scott Wardle: AbsentKendall Thomas: Present
   Also, present were Scott Broadhead- Attorney, Andy Welch- County Manager, Brittany Lopez- Assistant County Manager, and Tracy Shaw- Clerk.

   Staff in attendance were Nathan Harris- Deputy Attorney, Paul Wimmer- Sheriff, Mike Jensen- Treasurer, Corey Bullock- Parks and Recreation Director, Jed Bell- Roads Director, Brian White- Deputy Sheriff, and Peter Clegg- Human Services Director.

   Guests in attendance were Scott Degelbeck, Curtis Beckstrom, Mike Rappich, and Tim Gillie with the Tooele Transcript.

4. **Public Comments**

   Nick Jenkins of Grantsville: He coaches wrestling teams in the county. He thanked the County and the Peak staff for providing space for the wrestlers to practice. A video presentation was shared.
   Council Member Kendall Thomas asked how many girls are enrolled in the program. Mr. Jenkins said he wasn't sure, but stated many girls came home with trophies.
   Council Member Erik Stromberg thanked Mr. Jenkins for the time he gives up to coach the youth in the community.

5. **Minutes**

   a. **February 3, 2026 Business Meeting Minutes**

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      Council Member Kendall Thomas motioned to approve the February 3, 2026 Business Meeting Minutes. Second by Council Member Erik Stromberg. All in favor. The motion passed.

6. **Contracts**

a. **Purchase of a Large Tractor and Implement, Corey Bullock**

Parks and Recreation is requesting permission to purchase a large tractor and implement. This purchase was approved in the 2026 budget. Parks and Recreation has solicited three bids and is accepting the lowest bid from John Deere.

Corey Bullock, Parks and Recreation Director, presented this item as outlined above.
Andy Welch, County Manager, asked Director Bullock to explain what purposes the tractor would be used for. Director Bullock explained that it will be multipurpose, but it will be primarily used at the motocross track and the rodeo arenas. Manager Welch explained that water usually ends up in the areas this tractor will be used, and this tractor will help mitigate flooding.

Council Member Erik Stromberg motioned to approve the Purchase of a Large Tractor and Implement. Second by Council Member Tye Hoffmann. All in favor. The motion passed.

b. **Road Overlay Project, Jed Bell**

An RFP was issued for asphalt overlay work on eight (8) County roads. Nine (9) responsive bids were received, with prices ranging from $2,362,997.40 to $2,898,636.65. Kilgore Contracting submitted the lowest-priced responsive bid of $2,362,997.40 and was selected for award.

Jed Bell, Roads Director, presented this item as outlined above.
Director Bell stated the project came in over the budgeted amount, so Auditor Alison McCoy will propose a budget adjustment to cover the difference next month.
The roads included in the project are as follows: Middle Canyon, North Willow, South Willow, Burmester, Hardy, Center St, a portion of Erda Way, and Stansbury Island to the railroad tracks. In total, there are 8 roads in the project with a combined mileage of just over 10 miles.
Manager Andy Welch provided more details about the project and funding sources.
Council Member Erik Stromber asked if the Stansbury Island portion would connect to Adobe's road project. Director Bell stated no, and that it would be approximately $6-7 million more to complete that.
Council Member Tye Hoffmann asked if the project will include shoulder work. Director Bell stated there will be a 1.5-2 inch overlay, depending on the road.

Council Member Tye Hoffmann motioned to approve the Road Overlay Project. Second by Council Member Erik Stromberg. All in favor. The motion passed.

c. **Intellipay Service Fee Agreement, Mike Jensen**

This is an agreement with Intellipay that will allow Tooele County to utilize the software and services of Intellipay to effectuate electronic payments. Intellipay is used by other county departments and the Treasurer's Office is looking to use their services as well.

Mike Jensen, Treasurer, presented this item as outlined above.
Treasurer Jensen advised this contract will reduce consumer card fees and open options to accept American Express cards.

Council Member Erik Stromberg motioned to approve the Intellipay Service Fee Agreement. Second by Council Member Kendall Thomas. All in favor. The motion passed.

d. **BillTrax Contract for Services with Tooele County, Mike Jensen**

BillTrax is the software system that runs the IntelliPay for the other contracts that the Treasurer's Office wants to start using. This is necessary for the other contract.

Mike Jensen, Treasurer, presented this item as outlined above.
Treasurer Jensen explained that this is the backend software that will supply the face of the web page. It will host tax notices and, potentially, the disclosures from the Auditor's office as well. He advised it is $75 per month and the contract has a 3-year term.
Council Member Erik Stromberg asked if this would be a seamless experience for residents.

Treasurer Jensen stated that residents will be able to access their e-notices and there will be payment options available through this system as well.

Council Member Tye Hoffmann motioned to approve the BillTrax Contract. Second by Council Member Erik Stromberg. All in favor. The motion passed.

7. **Resolutions/Ordinances**

   a. **Resolution 2026-03 - Adopting Tooele County's Class D Road Inventory Map, Nathan Harris**

   This resolution adopts the Class D Road Inventory Map, as required by Utah Code Annotated 72-3-105. The County shall continue to update this map for the public's use.

   Nathan Harris, Deputy Attorney, presented this item as outlined above.
   Attorney Harris noted that per State statute, the county is required to adopt a road map that identifies all class D roads. Adopting this resolution is the first step in providing residents with information on where they can ride ATVs. He stated that some roads may have been vacated and the Recorder's office is determining which roads those may be. This map can be revised and updated as those vacated roads are identified. This will be a great resource for the Sheriff's office as well as residents who want to use class D roads.
   Attorney Harris advised that the State shares joint-ownership interest in class D roads, and class D roads cannot be vacated without permission from the State.

   Council Member Kendall Thomas motioned to approve Resolution 2026-03. Second by Council Member Tye Hoffmann. All in favor. The motion passed.

   b. **Resolution 2026-04 - Ratifying the Tooele County Manager's Appointment of Wayne Jones as the Tooele County Justice Court Judge, Nathan Harris**

   This resolution ratifies the County Manager's appointment of Wayne Jones as the new Justice Court Judge to fill the vacancy created by the recent retirement of Judge Dow.

   Nathan Harris, Deputy Attorney, presented this item as outlined above.
   Attorney Harris stated that justice court Judge Dow retired in December 2025. The county went through the process to appoint a new judge. Attorney Harris outlined the process, stating that many candidates were considered and interviewed. Andy Welch, County Manager, has made the decision to appoint Wayne Jones as the new justice court judge. Attorney Harris stated that the Council must ratify this decision, and he also gave an overview of Wayne's work history.

   Wayne Jones introduced himself and his family. He stated he is currently an Assistant Attorney General for the State of Utah.

   Council Member Tye Hoffmann motioned to approve Resolution 2026-04. Second by Council Member Erik Stromberg. All in favor. The motion passed.

   c. **Resolution 2026-05 - Declaring a Parcel of Real Property as Surplus Property, Nathan Harris**

   This resolution will surplus a small piece of County land, adjacent to the intersection of Sheep Lane and SR-112, for UDOT to construct a traffic light.

   Nathan Harris, Deputy Attorney, presented this item as outlined above.
   Attorney Harris stated the County will be giving this land to UDOT (Utah Department of Transportation) so they can put a traffic light at that intersection.

   Council Member Tye Hoffmann motioned to approve Resolution 2026-05. Second by Council Member Erik Stromberg. All in favor. The motion passed.

8. **Boards & Committees**

   a. **Board Vacancies**

   The Historic Preservation Commission has 2 vacancies.

The Housing Authority has 1 vacancy for an Attorney.

The Planning Commission has 1 vacancy for an alternate.

Recreation Special Service District has 1 vacancy for an alternate.

Rush Valley Water Conservation District has 1 vacancy.

The Tourism Tax Advisory Board has 1 vacancy - applicants must represent cultural attractions, hotels, restaurants, recreational facilities, convention facilities, or museums.

The Career Service Council has 1 vacancy.

The Board of Health has 1 vacancy. Applicant must be a Professional Health Provider.

Council Member Kendall Thomas stated that Dave McCall has been recommended to represent Tooele City on the Council on Aging.

9. **Council Update**

   Council Member Tye Hoffmann stated that Rick Hall, the husband of the owner of The Outpost in Grantsville, may be a good candidate to serve on the Tourism Tax Advisory Board. He stated the Board is looking for business owners in Grantsville.

   Chairman Jared Hamner spoke about Legislative Meetings on the Hill.

10. **Manager Update**

    Andy Welch, County Manager, stated he is seeking direction about the Business Meeting scheduled for March 17th, which is also the evening for party caucus meetings. The consensus was to move that meeting to March 24th.

11. **Informational - Public Transparency**

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12. **Manager Update: Ratifications**

    a. **Modified Agreement for Dispatch Services for BLM**

       This modification updates the contract between Tooele County and Bureau of Land Management to follow current federal guidance by removing sustainability requirements that are not required by law and clarifying the representation and certification section.

    b. **Forest Service Agreement Amendment**

       This is an updated agreement between the Forest Service and Tooele County for funding sheriff patrols on Forest Service land.

13. **Adjournment - Closed Session if needed**

    Council Member Tye Hoffmann motioned to adjourn at 6:37 pm. All in favor. The motion passed.

    THE FOREGOING MINUTES ARE APPROVED:



Tracy Shaw, County Clerk