Utah County
Council of Governments

Utah County Health and Justice Building
151 South University Ave., Room 1600, Provo, UT

May 2, 2019

Minutes

Committee Members: Representing:
Mayor Jim Miller, Chair Saratoga Springs
Mayor Steve Leifson Spanish Fork
Mayor Michelle Kaufusi Provo
Mayor Bill Wright Payson
Mayor Mark Johnson Lehi
Mayor Jenney Rees Cedar Hills
Mayor Kirk Hunsaker Salem
Mayor Marty Larson Genola
Mayor Wendy Pray Woodland Hills
Mayor Richard Child Springville
Mayor Steven Staheli Goshen
Mayor Troy Stout Alpine
Mayor Guy Fugal Pleasant Grove
Mayor pro-tem Jacob McHargue Vineyard
Commissioner Nathan Ivie Utah County
Commissioner Bill Lee Utah County
Commissioner Tanner Ainge Utah County

Attending: Representing:
Brian Chapman BRC Political, LLC
Wayne Bradshaw Utah League of Cities and Towns
Dave Pitcher Central Utah Water Conservatory
Derek Bruton Central Utah Water Conservatory

MAG Staff:
Andrew Jackson
Shawn Seager
Melanie Haws
Andrew Wooley

Mayor Jim Miller called the meeting to order.
Approve the March 7, 2019 Meeting Minutes
Mayor Hunsaker moved to approve the March 7, 2019 meeting minutes. Mayor Larson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment
None.

Resolution in Support for the Change of Government in Utah County - Brain Chapman, BRC Political, LLC
A draft resolution in support for the change of government in Utah County was presented. Mr. Chapman discussed concerns regarding the current structure of government in Utah County expressing interest in creating a system with checks and balances that would separate power, allowing more people to be involved in the election process. A handout with detailed information was provided.

Commissioner Lee requested time to review the resolution, stating that it needs to go through the procedure process before it can be put on the ballot.

Mayor Kaufusi and Mayor Hunsaker sit on the Utah County Good Governance Advisory Board which provides recommendations to the Utah County Board of Commissioners related to a potential modification of Utah County’s form of government. A recommendation was made to have the city managers attend the next COG meeting as they provided good insight from their perspective at the meeting earlier today and represented both sides well.

The Commission will have a report for the next COG meeting. The Council agreed to continue the discussion and present recommendations at the COG meeting in June before making a decision.

Central Utah Water Conservancy Regional Water Planning Update - Dave Pitcher, CUWC
The Central Utah Water Conservancy District (CUWCD) has several concurrent on-going water resources planning and development efforts going on within Utah County. The CUWCD is evaluating possible outcomes associated with recent projections for significant increasing population in both Utah County and northern Juab County and has commenced on a collaborative regional planning effort to assist communities in preserving and developing needed water supplies and infrastructure specifically for areas south of Provo City in Utah County and into Juab County. A summary of the goals for what they have entitled the Southern Utah and Juab County Water Supply and Infrastructure Plan Formulation Project was given.

Current water issues we are facing now and, in the future, consist of increasing population, limited water supply, aging and new infrastructure, quality of life and agricultural preservation and future regulatory requirements. Planning is essential in avoiding water rationing, economic disruption, agricultural decline and housing shortages. The Southern Utah and Juab County Water Supply and Infrastructure Plan Formulation Project is proposing a plan formulation for
50-year municipal and industrial water needs, cooperative regional approach, and creating partnerships through water management and data sharing.

**Legislative Update** - Wayne Bradshaw, Utah League of Cities and Towns
H.B. 495 Tax Reform Task Force: members announced May 3, 2019

H.B. 143 Addresses water conservation: Meters on secondary water

SB 129 Increase retirement benefit for public safety employees: Hearing in November to discuss how to pay for it. Recommended using sales from alcohol.

S.B. 34 Affordable housing: MAG is available to help cities/towns with the process.

**Other Business**
Mayor Child asked the Utah County Commissioners why the cities/towns received a letter stating that they are now responsible for processing Class B misdemeanors. He raised the concern that there is no budget available to take on this role. Commissioner Lee stated that it was out of the counties control and to contact David Leavitt, Utah County Attorney as he made that decision.

The next COG meeting is scheduled for June 6, 2019.