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County commission adopts budget amendments and proposed budget

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In the absence of John Crippen, county administrator, Tanielle Callaway, county clerk/ auditor, presented the budget amendments and the proposed budget for the county at a public hearing held at 6 p.m. on Mon-

day.

"We had more revenue than anticipated," said Callaway.

Revenue comes from taxes, licenses and permits, intergovernmental, charges for services, fines and forfeitures, miscellaneous and contributions.

Total revenues are expected to be \$13,138,711 for 2025. The year end estimate for 2024 was 14,289,823.

She said that the budget analysis summary showed numbers for the years 2024 and 2025.

"In 2024, the adopted budget for the general fund was \$12,473,765 and the year end estimate was \$14,289,823," said Callaway. "A budget amendments is proposed.'

In 2025, the budget request is \$13,138,711. Because the state requires that expenditures match revenues, the request and the expenditures are balanced, she

'Next is the B Road Fund," said Callaway. "We had increase in revenue largely due to the transportation tax and interest."

She said that there were veicles needed for the road depart-

For 2024, the year end estimate was \$5,651,634. For 2025, the total request is \$4,706,456. The department has \$2.5 million

in PTIS and is gaining interest. The capital projects fund for 2024 was \$150,000 and expenditures were \$1,047,452. The bud-

get for 2025 was set for \$144,502. "The capital projects fund is not required to balance," said Callaway.

The special events fair fund

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New conflict of interest disclosures due by end of January

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New requirements for conflict of interest disclosures as written by the state legislature became effective May 1, 2024 and that necessitated a revamping of the disclosure

"The forms are to be submitted no sooner than January 1," said Perry Davis, county attorney, "but no later than January 31 each year."

Each public officer, those

are appointed or hired, needs for those elected and those to prepare a written conflict of interest disclosure statement that contains a response to each item of information and submit the written disclosure statement to the filing clerk.

"We now need more information on the conflict of interest form than we have needed," said Davis.

Those hired to work in government offices also are now required to fill out the disclosure forms, said Davis. The one for the elected officials requires more information but he is going to use the same form

hired or appointed to assist the

"The form for them is shorter but they will just not need to fill out the last couple of pages," he said.

No later than 10 business days after the day on which a public officer submits the written disclosure statement to the filing clerk, the filing clerk will then post an electronic copy of the written disclosure statement on, as applicable, the special district's, special service district's, or school district's website.

The forms may be filled out electronically," said Davis.

Once completed they will go to the county clerk/auditor and will be available to the public.

The lieutenant governor must also be provided with a link to the electronic posting. In addition, the filing clerk will ensure that the public officer's written disclosure statement remains posted on the website until the public officer leaves office.

It is unlawful for a public officer to fail to submit or amend a written disclosure statement. A public officer who violates the disclosure law is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

In addition to the criminal penalty described, the filing clerk is required to impose a civil fine of \$100.

Davis will share the disclosure forms electronically and they are to be completed within the specified timeline.

A covered person is required to make a disclosure if he or she: Receives or agrees to receive compensation for assisting a person or business entity in a transaction involving the county; Is an officer,

Special Service Fire District holds budget hearing

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Juab Special Service Fire District held a public hearing at 5:30 p.m. in the commission chambers to take public comment on the budget amendments for 2024 and for the proposed 2025 budget.

Juab Special Service Fire District board members present were Marty Palmer, Clinton Painter, Larry Ostler, Marvin Kenison, Jilean Ercanbrack, Christopher Chipping, Greg Newton, Chuck Todd, and Denise Peterson, secretary.

In open meeting, Nephi City Fire Chief Kurtis Park told the board that they were having a difficult time getting bids for repair needed on the Cummings motor on one engine. They are still able to use Engine 42.

"We are getting many calls," said Park. "We had 297 calls this past year and we feel like it

The board approved using the one bid and ratifying it at the next meeting.

Ercanbrack, as chairman, called the public hearing to amend the 2024 budget to order and to adopt the 2025 budget.

She said that the general fund budget for 2024 had revenues of $\$433,\!383$ and expenditures of \$439,141, and other income as use of the beginning fund balance of \$103.424 and as an expense, a transfer for \$300,000.

For the 2025 budget, revenues of \$1,736,588 are expected, she said. Expenditures for the same amount are expected so the general fund budget is expected to

The proposed 2024 capital projects fund amendments are revenues of \$24,225 and the proposed 2025 budget revenues are expected at \$30,000.

"Are there any public comments," asked Ercanbeck.

There were no comments as only one member of the public was present and did not com-

Ostler made the motion to amend the budget for 2024 and Newton made the second. All voted in favor.

'We will now entertain a motion to adopt the 2025 budget with expenditures matching revenues," said Ercanbrack. Ostler made that motion and

Newton made the second. All voted in favor. The public hearing was then

In regular session, Kenison

made the motion to approve the general fund revenues and expenditures as proposed. Ostler made the second and all voted in favor. The capital fund revenue and

expenditures were approved on a motion by Painter with a second by Ostler. The board also set a meeting

schedule for the coming year and approved the minutes of the last meeting.

Commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the first baseball game played in Utah

The first baseball game played in Utah was undertaken 150 years ago on January 1,

1875, in Nephi. According to an account written by Charles Haynes and recorded in the book, "History of Juab County," this was the first baseball game in Utah, and it is reported to be the first one played this side of the Missouri River.

Nephi City officials have allowed a sign commemorating this significant event and information relating to the game at the Nephi City Pioneer Park on Nephi's Main Street. Governor Spencer Cox has signed an official declaration showing the date and location of the first recorded baseball game

played in Utah. From that first game in 1875, Nephi has had a history of ball teams extending to the present day.

More information about this historic game can be found at website nephibaseball. wixsite.com/website or the October 23, 2024 issue of The Times-News.



HISTORICAL GAME • Nephi was the site of the first baseball game played in Utah on January 1, 1875. A new sign at the city park commemorates that game. Photo courtesy of Becky Sperry

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