

**JOINT INFORMATION PROCEEDINGS
TOWN COUNCIL AND BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

APRIL 22, 2024

JACKSON, WYOMING

The Jackson Town Council met in conjunction with the Teton County Commission in a special joint meeting located in the County Commissioner's Chambers located at 200 S. Willow St. at 9:05 AM.

I. ROLL CALL. Upon roll call the following were present:

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS: Luther Propst, Chair, Natalia Macker, Vice-Chair, Greg Epstein, Mark Newcomb, and Wes Gardner.

TOWN COUNCIL: Mayor Hailey Morton Levinson, Vice-Mayor Arne Jorgensen, Jim Rooks, and Jonathan Schechter. Jessica Sell Chambers was absent.

STAFF: Maureen Murphy, Katie Smits, Jodie Pond, Abigail Moore, Charlotte Frei, Tyler Sinclair, Kelly Thompson, Lea Colasuanno, and Rose Robertson.

II. FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET WORKSHOP

Representatives of Health and Human Service agencies presented budget requests for Fiscal Year 2025:

- a. Wyoming Immigration Advocacy Project – Rosie Read
- b. Wyoming Stargazing – Dr. Samuel Singer via Zoom
- c. Teton County Historic Preservation Board/Teton Trust for Historic Places – Susan Eriksen-Meier
- d. One 22 – Carey Stanley in person and Sharel Lund via Zoom
- e. JH Historical Society & Museum – Morgan Jaouen via Zoom
- f. JH Childrens Museum – Ethan Lobdell
- g. Teton Youth & Family Services – Chris Moll in person and Sarah Cavallaro via Zoom
- h. Community Safety Network – Shannon Brooks Hamby

The meeting recessed at 10:17 AM and reconvened at 10:27 AM.

III. LONG RANGE INDICATOR REPORT AND WORK PLAN

Ryan Hostetter, Long Range Planner, and Alex Norton, LegacyWorks Group via Zoom, gave a presentation to review the 2024 Comprehensive Plan Indicator Report and discuss the Fiscal Year 2025 Long Range Planning Work Plan.

Ryan Hostetter and Alex Norton answered questions from the Boards.

There was no public comment.

Chris Neubecker, Director of Planning and Building for Teton County, answered questions from the Boards.

The meeting recessed at 11:56 AM and reconvened at 1:33 PM.

Paul Anthony, Director of Planning for the Town of Jackson, answered questions from the Boards.

On behalf of the County, a motion was made by Commissioner Macker and seconded by Commissioner Epstein to approve the proposed Fiscal Year 25 Implementation Work Plan dated April 2024.

The Town Council and Board discussed the proposed work plan.

Ryan Hostetter and Paul Anthony answered questions from the Boards.

Chair Propst called for a vote. The vote showed three in favor and the motion carried for the County 3-2 with Chair Propst and Commissioner Epstein in the dissent.

On behalf of the Town, a motion was made by Councilmember Jorgensen and seconded by Councilmember Schechter to approve the joint tasks work plan as the County just has [the proposed Fiscal Year 25 Implementation Work Plan dated April 2024] minus the business park legacy zoning.

Paul Anthony answered questions from the Town Council.

Mayor Morton Levinson called for a vote. The vote showed three in favor and the motion carried for the Town 3-1 with Councilmember Schechter opposed and Councilwoman Sell Chambers absent.

The meeting recessed at 2:31 PM and reconvened at 2:37 PM.

IV. JOINT REVENUE ALTERNATIVE DISCUSSION

Tyler Sinclair, Town Manager, led a review of information regarding joint revenue options including sales tax, recreation district, property tax, and lodging tax, for consideration as part of the FY25 budget process.

Tyler Sinclair answered questions from the Boards.

Maureen Murphy, County Clerk, answered questions from the Boards.

On behalf of the Town, a motion was made by Councilman Jorgensen to direct staff to bring back draft ballot language for one cent general revenue, half a cent SPET, half a cent general revenue, half a cent economic development and lodging tax as discussed this afternoon.

A friendly amendment was suggested by Mayor Morton Levinson that she would second the motion if he would take out the lodging tax.

Councilman Jorgensen accepted the friendly amendment.

The motion was seconded by Mayor Morton Levinson to direct staff to bring back draft ballot language for one cent general revenue, half a cent SPET, half a cent general revenue and half a cent economic development as discussed this afternoon.

Councilman Jorgensen explained the motion is essentially combining what Commissioner Newcomb said about a half cent SPET for the courthouse, and what Councilman Jorgenson said about general revenue or economic development for the Town issues, and then the Chair's comment about just make it simpler and do a full cent general revenue better than depend on us to message appropriately.

The Board brought up questions of what would happen if some and not all of the ballot measures for the different taxes proposed passed, and what the impacts would be for revenue and future projects.

In addition to the draft language, the Boards asked town and county council to provide a legal analysis of a range of those questions: timing of revenue production, allocation, and various scenarios.

Lea Colasuanno, Town Attorney, answered questions from the Town Council.

Mayor Morton Levinson called for a vote. The vote showed three in favor and the motion carried for the Town 3-1 with Councilman Rooks opposed and Councilwoman Sell Chambers absent.

On behalf of the County, a motion was made by Commissioner Newcomb and seconded by Commissioner Gardner to direct staff to bring back draft ballot language for one cent general revenue, half a cent SPET, half a cent general revenue and half a cent economic development as discussed this afternoon. Chair Propst called for a vote. The vote showed four in favor and the motion carried for the County 4-1 with Commissioner Epstein opposed.

V. ADJOURN

On behalf of the County, a motion was made by Commissioner Epstein and seconded by Commissioner Gardner to adjourn. Chair Propst called for a vote. The vote showed all in favor and the motion carried for the County.

On behalf of the Town, a motion was made by Councilmember Schechter and seconded by Councilmember Jorgensen to adjourn. Mayor Morton Levinson called for a vote. The vote showed four in favor and the motion carried for the Town 4-0.

The meeting adjourned at 4:07 PM.

TETON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Luther Propst, Chair

ATTEST:

Maureen E. Murphy, County Clerk

TOWN OF JACKSON

Hailey Morton Levinson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Town Clerk