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CACHE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 14, 1998

The Cache County Council met in regular session on the 14th day of April, 1998 in the County Council Chambers located at 120 North 100 West, Logan, Utah 84321.

ATTENDANCE

Council Chairman Darrel L. Gibbons and Vice Chairman Cory Yeates were both present. Council members present were: Layne M. Beck, H. Craig Petersen, Sarah Ann Skanchy and C. Larry Anhder. Council member Guy Ray Pulsipher was absent and excused.

Others present were: County Executive, M. Lynn Lemon, County Clerk, Stephen M. Erickson, County Auditor, Tamra Stones, County Attorney, Scott Wyatt, County Executive Administrative Assistant, Mike Nilson, Representatives from Senator Orrin Hatch's Office, Norma Holmgren and Bob Lockwood, Logan City Solid Waste Director, Roger Sunada, Members of the local news media and other interested citizens.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Darrel L. Gibbons called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and welcomed all who were in attendance.

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Council member C. Larry Anhder.

AGENDA & MINUTES

The agenda for the meeting was reviewed, adjusted and approved.

The minutes of the regular Council meeting held on March 24, 1998 were discussed, corrected and approved.

REPORT OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

The County Executive, M. Lynn Lemon, reported on the following items:

1. Appointments

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Appointment: Smith, Boyd, to the Paradise Cemetery Board.
Appointment: Griffin, Cleo, to the County-Wide Library Board.
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Councilman Petersen, moved to approve the three recommended appointments. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

2. American Heritage Access Road: The access road into the new Welcome Center at the American Heritage complex is causing a problem with some neighbors in the area. A meeting has been scheduled tomorrow night at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers to solve their concerns. The County will work with the State Road Department to build the road.

3. Mayor's Association Meeting: An earlier meeting of the local Mayor's Association, that had invited Council members has now been rescheduled to July 10, 1998. Council members are to RSVP by May 15, 1998. The Governor will be in attendance.

4. Federal Communication Commission: The FCC, in 1999 will be selling some of the channels on our TV translator. It will effect three of our broadcast channels. The FCC action may push the county to move the translating facility sooner than we anticipated. Lemon and the County TV translator technician, Mike Breagger will be meeting with Franklin County to see if sharing equipment can be done.

5. Restaurant Tax Applications: Council members were given a list of Restaurant Tax Applications to review and to make recommendations. Lemon will have his proposed allocations ready for the next Council meeting.

6. Warrants: The County Warrants for the periods of March 18, 23, & 28, April 10, 1998 were presented to the County Clerk for filing.

PROCLAMATION: NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT WEEK

Vice Chairman Yeates read aloud a proclamation proclaiming the week of April 19-25, 1998 as National County Government Week.

(See attachment #1)

A motion to support the Proclamation was made by Council member Skanchy. It was properly seconded and carried unanimously.

HATCH, SENATOR LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: HOLMGREN, NORMA

Norma Holmgren, accompanied by Bob Lockwood, from the office of United States Senator, Orrin Hatch, presented to the Council an update of legislation that the Senator is working on. They reviewed Hill Field Air Force Base proposed new jobs that they were supposed to get from other Base closings. It looks like the original number of jobs to be transferred to Hill will be reduced around fifty percent. Hatch is supporting local business as they attempt to market their products in other countries. Other issues that were discussed, was wet land limitations and the transportation bill.

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(See attachment #2)

Vice Chairman Yeates moved to approve the transfer. It was seconded and carried unanimously.

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A motion to adjourn from the regular Council meeting into a Board of Equalization was made by Vice Chairman Yeates. It was seconded and carried unanimously.

The Board of Equalization considered two tax exemption applications for religious reasons. One from the Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses and another from the Presbyterian Church.

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The Board held a hearing to review an appeal of a denial of a previous decision made to deny a tax exempt request from the Community Nursing Service. Auditor Stones had written to that organization requesting their attendance at the hearing.

(See attachment #4)

Since the Nursing Service Organization was not present to appeal the Boards previous denial the Board reaffirmed its original decision on a **motion made by Board member Skanchy. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.**

IHC LOGAN REGIONAL HOSPITAL FINDINGS OF FACT

The Logan Regional Hospital is again asking for tax exemption. A meeting was held between the Hospital & County Officials.

(See attachment #5)

Findings of Fact have been drafted for approval.

(See attachment #6)

Board member Skanchy moved to adopt the Findings of Fact and approve the IHC application for tax exemption. It was seconded and passed on a vote of 4 "Yes" to 1 "No" and one abstaining. Anhder abstained and Gibbons voted no.

MOBILE HOME APPEALS

The Board reviewed adjustments in property taxes that were made during the hearing process on Mobile Home appeals.

(See attachment #7)

A motion to approve the adjustments in value for the five mobile home appeals was made by Sarah Ann Skanchy. It was seconded and carried unanimously.

FESTIVAL OPERA COMPANY-TAX APPEAL: STATE TAX COMMISSION

The Festival Opera Company is appealing the decision to deny a portion of thier request for tax exemption in 1997 & 1998. The State Tax Commission will hear both years at one time if the Board of Equalization will approve it.

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Board member Skanchy moved to approve the State Tax Commission to hear Festival Opera Company's appeal in 1997 & 1998. It was properly seconded and carried unanimously.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION ADJOURNMENT

Board member Skanchy moved to adjourn from the Board of Equalization back into the regular Council meeting. It was seconded and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 98-12: WEED POLICY & FEE SCHEDULE-MERRITT, JOEL

The County Weed Department Director, Joel Merritt appeared before the Council to review the 1998 Weed Policy and fee schedule as contained in resolution form.

(See attachment #8)

It was moved by Council member Skanchy to waive the rules of first and second reading and adopt Resolution No. 98-12. It was seconded and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 98-13: LOGAN CITY FIRE PROTECTION CONTRACT

This resolution, No. 98-13, was presented as first reading and will be placed on the next Council meeting agenda.

COLLEGE/YOUNG TOWNSHIP OPPOSED ANNEXATION REQUEST:DISCUSSION

The College/Young Township, that has been changed by the State Legislature, into a planning district and subject to the County Legislative Body, has asked the Council to support them in their protest of proposed property annexation by Logan City. The County Attorney has written a memo supporting their request. Council member Skanchy suggested that the Council support them and turn any action on the matter over to the County Boundary Commission. It was pointed out that any decision made by the Boundary Commission can also be appealed to the Courts.

Council member Skanchy moved to have the Council support the College/Young Township request to file with the Boundary Commission their opposition to the annexation proposal. The motion was seconded but failed on a 3 "Yes" vote to a 3 "No" vote. Councilmen Beck, Yeates & Petersen voted no.

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES-SERVICE AREA NO. 1

The Council adjourned from the regular Council meeting into a Board of Trustees-Service Area No. 1.

The Director of Logan City Environmental Health Department, Roger Sunada, and Paula Pitcher, an assistant, appeared before the Board of Trustees to review a proposed resolution that would, if adopted, change waste pickup fees and create a recycling program to extend the life of the present landfill. With the help of an overhead projector, Sunada and Pitcher reviewed the proposal to lengthen the life of the landfill and to begin a recycling program. They are proposing a rate increase especially for those who don't participate in the recycling program. A smaller pickup container is already available which will cost customers less. 1600 of the small containers are now being used. If customers decide to recycle they could end up with as many as three different containers. A closure fund account, that was part of the twenty year management plan, has nearly \$1,050,175.00 in it. Councilman Anhder suggested that the pickup fees should be cost effective and we should study that issue first. The Council will not make any decision until the Solid Waste Advisory Board has met and made their recommendation. That Board will meet on Monday, April 20 at 3:30.

PARADE: CLARKSTON PONY EXPRESS DAYS

The Council has been invited to attend the Clarkston Pony Express Days and to ride in their parade on June 27, 1998.

PUBLIC HEARING CONTINUED: ROAD CLOSURES-3700 N & 600 E S OF 3800 S

Chairman Gibbons convened a continuation of a Public Hearing from the March 24th Council meeting on a proposed closing of sections of two County roads. The South portion of the road on 600 East South of 3800 South in the Millville area and 1500 feet of 3700 North, West of Hyde Park and West of the Railroad tracks. The hearing was convened at 7:00 p.m..

Chairman Gibbons asked if there was anyone present to comment on the proposed closing of 600 East and 3800 South? There was no public comment. However a written comment from Mr. Theil L. Jenson was discussed. Jenson said in his letter that the proposed gate to close the road had already been installed.

(See attachment #9)

Executive Lemon was asked to respond to Mr. Jenson's concerns. Lemon said that he wasn't aware that USU had already installed a gate. However all the gate does is to close about 100 feet of road that will protect their research facility.

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Mike Nilson, the airport manager, was asked to give a brief explanation of what is being proposed at the airport. Nilson reported that about two and one half years ago they were notified that the activity at the airport warranted a lengthening of the runway. To do this, it becomes necessary to cross 3700 North to lengthen the runway. They have gone through a process required by the FAA to extend the runway paying \$75,000.00 for an environmental accessment. The FAA are now currently reviewing the accessment. Nilson said that he expects the FAA will approve the environmental statement. Nilson said that the 3700 North road is even now very close to the existing runway and is in a dangerous proximity to the airport and will eventually have to be closed.

Chairman Gibbons reviewed the Public Hearing purpose and asked the public to be concise and limit their comments too two minutes.

Stocking, John, a property owner on 3700 North, stated that he is not in favor of closing the road or expanding the runway.

(See attachment #10)

Daines, Mark, Hyde Park City Mayor, said that Hyde Park would be greatly affected and the County Governing body should give special attention to the rights of the property owners being affected.

(See attachment #11)

Wheeler, Charles, a Hyde Park resident, stated that they have worked hard to get a traffic light installed on the highway where 3700 North intersects and if the road is closed and moved to 4200 North the light will also have to be moved at considerable expense. He does not favor closing the road.

Huber, Leo, a Hyde Park resident, said that we need an airport but it is in the wrong place and should be moved. He is concerned that tax money is being spent for the wrong purpose.

Bingham, Gail, who works for USU, stated that the airport is an asset to the community and will not take away from Hyde Parks economy. He suggest that a boundary road is needed around the airport. We need to make the airport larger for future growth. He favors expanding the airport.

Jorgensen, Lillian, from Hyde Park, said that she has lived near a large airplane airport and she had to move because of all the noise. She suggested that the airport be moved and she definitely is not in favor of expanding the airport.

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Frances, Bill, a member of the Airport Authority Board, said that we need to expand the airport for safety reasons. Our high elevation requires a longer runway. He thinks it would better serve the community and will help our economy.

Krusi, Fred, a resident of Hyde Park, is not in favor of closing 3700 North because it will stop future business growth and will effect the economy of Hyde Park City. Krusi also said that we have been wanting a stop light on the highway on 3700 North and we don't want to lose it.

Larsen, Ron, a retired Air Force Pilot, said that the present runway is okay for airplane take off, but not for landing. He suggested that a road be constructed around the airport. This road could be used for business development and would be good for Hyde Parks economy.

Christoffersen, Greg, is not in favor of expanding the airport or closing 3700 North. He is concerned about noise pollution.

Thompson, Doug, Logan City Mayor, said that expanding the airport is necessary and will aid economic development in the valley. Economic development follows a good airport. He said that air freight is needed by some businesses in the County and expanding the airport would help all businesses. Thompson said that the airport is already one of the busiest in the State. Business is always looking to relocate near a good airport.

Balls, Robert, a business owner on 3700 North, said his business would be effected if 3700 North is closed. Hyde Park City has extended services to businesses on 3700 North to the railroad tracks and the road should remain open for future development.

Roberts, Brent, an airport user, said that the airport is necessary and extending the runway is very important. Recent changes in travel, requires a good airport for business both private and commercial.

Chambers, Steve, a local farmer who owns property at the end of the runway said that expanding the airport would also put some business owners out of business and he thinks that the Council should take that into consideration.

Henderson, Janeel, a Hyde Park business owner, reviewed written comment.

(See attachment #12)

Hansen, Mike, a dairy farmer near the airport, spoke against expanding the airport and expressed concern about closing 3700 North because of possible fire protection needs.

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Allred, Elwin, a Logan City resident spoke in favor of expanding the airport. He said the population in continually growing and expanding the airport is going to come sometime.

Balls, Beatrice, a property owner on 3700 North reviewed her written comments.

(See attachment #13)

White, Ron, from Hyde Park, said that the airport is in the wrong place and he does not favor closing 3700 North.

Swiss, Karen, from Hyde Park, spoke against closing the road and expressed concern about property tax and what it is used for.

Borg, Roy, a property owner on 3700 North, said that the area is not a wet area and could be developed for business. He is not in favor of closing 3700 North.

Kerr, Tom, from Logan, said that it is important to have a good airport in the county and we should do what is sensible to develop what is needed.

Kunzler, Darrell, a cattleman from Benson said if Logan wants a larger airport let them build it. And make sure the airplanes fly over Logan.

Nixon, Jack, from Hyde Park, said that he is concerned about private property rights and those who have to give up their property should be adequately compensated. He suggested a road under the extended runway.

Pinyon, Jeff, a Hyde Park resident, said that good money is going to be spent on something that will have to be moved in 20 years.

Lee, Brent, from Hyde Park, said that citizens have been told half truth about expanding the airport. It seems like those who have the gold rule in this case. Lee further stated that if the Council can come up with reasons for expanding and the need for a better airport he will support them but for now he is against the proposed road closure to expand the runway.

Seamons, Steve, a member of the Hyde Park City Council, said that Hyde Parks economy could be cut off if 3700 North is closed and we would lose a lot of tax base.

Winn, Ray, a property owner near 3700 North and from Smithfield, said that he is concerned about the noise pollution that larger airplanes will cause. However, he believes that Logan will never see the time when large planes will come to Logan, because we are so close to Salt Lake International airport.

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Councilman Petersen made a motion to close the public hearing. It was seconded and carried unanimously.

Chairman Gibbons explained that the Council will continue to receive written comments for two weeks. When the time comes for a decision to be made the public will be notified. Council member Skanchy, the Airport Authority Board Chairman, said that the Board wants to resolve the issues and they are now in that process. This public hearing will help to resolve some of the issues.

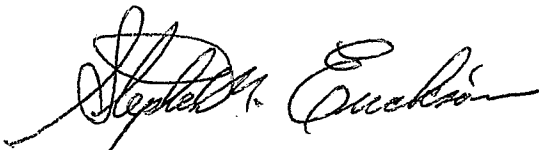
COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS:

Councilman Anhder: The Water Policy Advisory Board will be meeting next Tuesday at 4:30 p.m.. They will be hearing from responsible persons who are objecting to a Water Conservancy District. Council members were invited to attend.

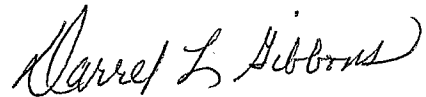
Council member Skanchy: Skanchy said that she was sorry for having to involve the Council so much regarding the airport but the Airport Authority needs to resolve certain issues with the FAA and meet their guidelines. Skanchy also said that the safety zone around the airport even as it stands now it is not meeting the necessary requirements for safety.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Gibbons adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m..



**ATTEST: Stephen M. Erickson
Cache County Clerk**



**APPROVAL: Darrel L. Gibbons
Council Chairman**

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CLERK

April 14, 1998

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, county government is truly vital to the nation's citizenry, serving as the most resonant and pure of local government voices; and

WHEREAS, county government's primary concern is to assure that county leaders provide information and encouragement to its citizens so that together they can build strong sustainable communities which nurture the economic, environmental and social well-being of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, the quality of life for all Americans is dependent upon choices that accommodate economic development while preserving vital natural environmental systems; and

WHEREAS, because communities and their surrounding areas are interdependent, there is a recognized need for collaborative approaches to problem solving; and

WHEREAS, community leaders and all citizens should take a step to learn about resources and programs available that can work to improve their community's sustainability:


THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Cache County Council, County of Cache, State of Utah, hereby proclaims April 19 - 25, 1998

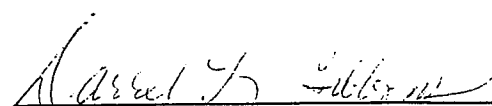
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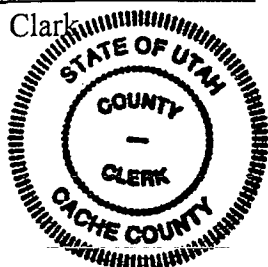
and urges all citizens to become more aware of the important role of county government.

In witness thereof, as Chairman of the Cache County Council, I have hereunto set my hand this 14th day of April, 1998.

Attest:


Stephen M. Erickson, Clerk


Darrel L. Gibbons, Chairman



REQUEST FOR INTRA-DEPARTMENTAL BUDGET TRANSFER

DEPARTMENT: Road
DATE: 31-Mar-98

Amount to be transferred -- (rounded to the nearest dollar) \$9,600.00

Transfer From ---
Line Item No. : 10-4410-250
Fund Designation: equip. supplies & maintenance

Original Budget:	<u>\$178,000.00</u>
Current Budget:	<u>\$178,000.00</u>
Expenditures to date:	<u>\$53,238.39</u>
Balance before transfer:	<u>\$124,761.61</u>
Balance after Transfer:	<u>\$115,161.61</u>

Transfer To ---
Line Item No. : 10-4410-740
Fund Designation: equipment

Original Budget:	<u>\$0.00</u>
Current Budget:	<u>\$0.00</u>
Expenditures to date:	<u>\$0.00</u>
Balance before transfer:	<u>\$0.00</u>
Balance after Transfer:	<u>\$9,600.00</u>

Description of needs and purpose of transfer ---
To purchase waste oil burning furnace for road shop.

E. Gordon Kirby
Department Head

Recommendation: [] Approval [] Disapproval
Comments:

Date: 3/31/98

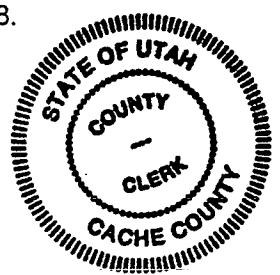
James Stones
Cache County Auditor

Recommendation: [] Approval [] Disapproval
Comments:

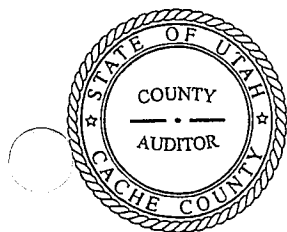
Date: 4/2/98

M. Lynn Larson
Cache County Executive

Consented by the Cache County Council meeting in regular session on the 4th day of April, 1998.



Stephanie Evans
Cache County Clerk



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Tamra Stones
County Auditor

MEMORANDUM

TO: Cache County Council

FROM: Tamra Stones, Cache County Auditor

DATE: April 8, 1998

SUBJECT: Tax Exemption Application\Affidavits - 1998

Affidavit: Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses - 03-020-0024 - 2813 South Main. Nibley, UT 84321

The application has been reviewed . This organization serves religious purposes. All real and personal property are used for the organizations religious services.

FINDINGS OF FACT - UCA 59-2-1101

The Board finds this organization serves religious purposes and that the land and the personal property affidavit as submitted, be granted a tax exemption status for the year 1998.

DETERMINATION

APPROVED TABLED INTENT TO DENY

David R. Nibley
Cache County Council Chairman

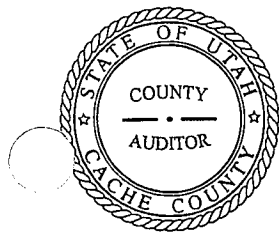
4/14/98
Date

Attested:

Tamra Stones
Tamra Stones, BOE Clerk

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Tamra Stones
County Auditor

CACHE COUNTY
Office of the County Auditor

179 NORTH MAIN
LOGAN, UTAH 84321
Tel: 435.753.3528
Fax: 435.753.7120

MEMORANDUM

TO: Cache County Council

FROM: Tamra Stones, Cache County Auditor

DATE: April 8, 1998

SUBJECT: Tax Exemption Application\Affidavits - 1998

Affidavit: **Presbyterian Church** - 06-031-0022 - 12 S. 200 W. Logan, Ut 84321: Also included in the application is 18-009-0002 located in Logan Canyon, used as a nature and environmental class & program center and religious retreats and meetings.

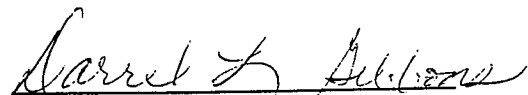
This application has been reviewed. This organization serves religious purposes. All real and personal property is used by the church for religious services and activities.

FINDINGS OF FACT - UCA 59-2-1101

The Board finds this organization serves religious purposes and that the land and the personal property affidavit as submitted, be granted a tax exemption status for the year 1998.


DETERMINATION

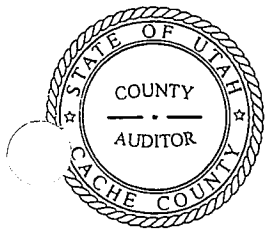
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Cache County Council Chairman

April 14, 1998
Date

Attested:


Tamra Stones, BOE Clerk



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*Please Put on
Council Agenda
4/14/98 5:30 pm
Thanks.
Tamra*

March 31, 1998

Community Nursing Service
Attn: Kim Doman
95 West Golf Course Road
Logan, Utah 84321

Re: Hearing Date for Tax Exemption

Dear Ms. Doman:

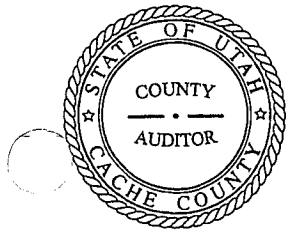
The Cache County Board of Equalization has tentatively determined to deny tax exempt status to your organization. They have rescheduled a hearing date for April 14, 1998, 5:30 p.m. at 120 North 00 West, Logan, Utah. Your organization may present its tax exempt application and further present information which will support your request for tax exemption status.

I apologize for the inconvenience caused by notifying you of the wrong hearing time. If you have questions please contact this office at (435) 753-3528.

Sincerely,

Tamra Stones

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Cache County Council
FROM: Tamra Stones, Cache County Auditor
DATE: April 10, 1998
SUBJECT: Tax Exemption Application\Affidavits - 1998

Application: **Community Nursing Service**, P.O. Box 65159, Salt Lake City, UT 84165-0159. Located at 95 West Golf Course Road, Logan, UT 84321. For personal property only

This application has been reviewed. This organization serves Charitable purposes. They provide in-home health care. Care is provided to needy people without regard to their ability pay.

FINDINGS OF FACT - UCA 59-2-1101

The Board finds that this organization *didn't appear for hearing. Reaffirm denial.*

DETERMINATION

 APPROVED

 TABLED

 X DENY

David F. Johnson
Cache County Council Chairman

 4/14/98
Date

Attested:

Tamra Stones
Tamra Stones, BOE Clerk

**CACHE COUNTY
CORPORATION**

M. LYNN LEMON

COUNTY EXECUTIVE/SURVEYOR

120 NORTH 100 WEST
LOGAN, UTAH 84321
Tel 435-752-5935
Fax 752-9169

March 13, 1998
MEMORANDUM

COUNTY COUNCIL

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CORY YEATES

V. CHAIRMAN

SARAH ANN SKANCHY

C. LARRY ANHDER

GUY RAY PULSIPHER

H. CRAIG PETERSEN

LAYNE M. BECK

STEPHEN M. ERICKSON

CLERK

TO: Cache County Council
Cache County Executive

FROM: Sarah Ann Skanchy
Council Member

As requested by the County Council, Cory Yeates, Layne Beck and Sarah Ann Skanchy, Tamra Stones (Auditor) and Kathleen Howell (Assessor) met with Logan Regional Hospital representatives on March 11, 1998 to review their request for tax exemption.

There are no changes from the 1997 Request.

The County Assessor had no problems with their requests.

Attached is a copy of proposed findings for 1998 tax exemptions.

SAS:pwp

BEFORE THE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
OF CACHE COUNTY

IN RE:	The matter of the application)
	for exemption from property)
	taxation of IHC HOSPITALS) FINDINGS AND DETERMINATION
	INC., for the LOGAN REGIONAL) FOR TAX YEAR 1998
	HOSPITAL)
)

This matter came before the Board of Equalization of Cache County, Utah on April 14, 1998 upon the verified application for property tax exemption submitted by IHC HOSPITALS, INC., for the LOGAN REGIONAL HOSPITAL.

FINDINGS

Based upon the verified application and matters presented to the Board of Equalization at its hearing on April 14, 1998 and other materials presented to it, the Board of Equalization finds that:

1. IHC HOSPITALS, INC., is the owner of record of the Logan Regional Hospital which is located on the real property described in the attached Exhibit "A" and other parcels of property described therein.

2. Sarah Ann Skanchy, Cory Yeates and Layne Beck members of the Board of Equalization, met with the owner's representatives and reviewed the application of the owners and relevant facts and standards. The County Auditor, Tamra Stones, and the County Assessor, Kathleen Howell, attended with Sarah Ann Skanchy, Cory Yeates and Layne Beck to clarify real and personal property issues.

3. It was recommended that exemption be granted to the applicant for the Tax year 1998 on the basis that IHC HOSPITALS, INC., and the Logan Regional Hospital property qualify for exemption from the property tax under Standards I, II, III, IV, V, and VI as promulgated by the Utah State Tax Commission on December 18, 1990, and as delineated by the Utah Supreme

Court in its decision dated September 1, 1994, in a case appealed to that court by the Cache County Assessor and the Salt Lake County Assessor from decisions of the Boards of Equalization of their respective counties.

4. The Board of Equalization in a public meeting held on April 14, 1998, upon lawful notice received and approved the recommendations.

DETERMINATION

The Board of Equalization of Cache County, Utah, determines that:

IHC HOSPITALS, INC., is hereby granted an exemption from property taxes for the real property described in the attached Exhibit "A" which is used for the Logan Regional Hospital, its Surgical Center and Home Health Agency and the personal property listed therein for the Tax Year 1998.

The foregoing findings were approved by the following votes by the members of the Board of Equalization on April 14, 1998.

<u>COUNCIL MEMBER</u>	<u>IN FAVOR</u>	<u>AGAINST</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Larry Anhder		<u>ABSTAINED</u>	
Layne Beck	<u>X</u>		
Darrel Gibbons		<u>X</u>	
Craig Petersen	<u>X</u>		
Guy Ray Pulsipher			<u>X</u>
Sarah Ann Skanchy	<u>X</u>		
Cory Yeates	<u>X</u>		

These findings and determinations are approved as written this 14th day of April, 1998.

Darrel L. Gibbons
Darrel L. Gibbons, Chairman Board of Equalization

Attested To:

Tamra Stones
Tamra Stones, Clerk Board of Equalization

AFFIDAVIT
TAX YEAR
1998

LOGAN REGIONAL HOSPITAL
CACHE COUNTY

REAL PROPERTY PARCEL NO.	SITE OR COMPLEX (HOSPITAL) NAME	NAME OR IDENTITY OF BUILDING	REAL PROPERTY CURRENT VALUE	TAX	DESCRIPTION BLDG USE	EXEMPT %	PERSONAL PROP VALUATION	EXEMPT BASIS STC STANDARDS
04-083-0018	Logan	Land - Agricultural 18th-20th N (Greenbelt) 40 ac. 4t	* 591360	232.57		0%	0	
05-016-0001	Logan	Day Care Center	617,280	6,348.72		0%	BU-27-3045 11,753	
05-016-0028	Logan	Hospital and Land	0	Exempt		100%	B5-16-0028 Supp 580,358 Equip 5,365,295	ABCDE
05-016-0029	Logan	Medical Office Building - Surgical Center	4,605,750	47,370.13		23%	BU-27-3048 111,130	ABCDE
05-016-0029	Logan	Home Care Services - MES 500 East 1300 North, Suite 140 (Leased)	Personal Prop. Only	0.00		100%	BU-27-3045 10,967	ABCDE
05-016-0043	Logan	Vacant Land - Held for Hospital Expansion	212,175	2,182.22		0%	0	
05-016-0086	Home Health Agency acquired 11/14/94	Unit 6, Logan Medical Center Condominiums (other chart says "UNIT G")	0	Exempt		100%	BU-27-3046 10,967	ABCDE
New	Rehab Services	246 E. 1260 N., Logan, Utah	Personal Prop. Only	0.00		100%	BU-27-3386 ?	ABCDE
New	Counseling	246 E. 1260 N., Logan, Utah	Personal Prop. Only	0.00		100%	BU-27-3387 ?	ABCDE
TOTALS			5,435,205	56,133.64			0	

* Value per 1997 greenbelt assessment

LEGEND: EXEMPTION BASIS
A = INDIGENT CARE
B = COMMUNITY ED. SERVICE
C = MEDICAL DISCOUNTS

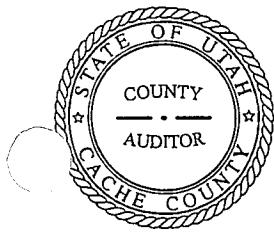
D = DONATIONS OF TIME
E = DONATIONS OF MONEY
S = SATELLITE

**VEHICLES
TAX YEAR
1998**

**LOGAN REGIONAL HOSPITAL
CACHE COUNTY**

In addition to the real and personal property described, the following described vehicles are owned by and used for the support and accomplishment of the exempt function described in the Affidavit and are, therefore, exempt from personal property tax.

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>MAKE</u>	<u>VEHICLE I.D. NO.</u>	<u>LICENSE NO.</u>
1997	Chevrolet Truck	1GCEK14MUT7217215	754 JZP
1991	Toyota Camry (1)	JT2SV21E8M3441243	281 EAS
1991	Toyota Camry (4)	4T1SV21EXMU304947	704 EAR
1991	Toyota Camry (5)	4T1SZ21E9MU355047	079 ELJ
1989	Toyota Camry (3)	4T1SV21E8K4095768	501 DAK
1989	Toyota Camry (2)	4T1SV21E2KU097399	502 DAK
1988	Chevrolet Corsica (2)	1G1LT51W9JE285878	277 BVA
1988	Chevrolet Corsica (1)	1G1LT51W9JE285797	278 BVA
1986	Chevrolet Van	1GCEG25H2G725353	9961 BA
1986	Chevrolet Celebrity Sedan	1G1AW19R8G6105234	934 AEF
1985	Chevrolet Celebrity Wagon	1G1AW35X5F6258782	BDP 851
1983	Chevrolet K10	1GCEK14H4DF307325	9681 BA
1977	Chevrolet C10	CCL147J173783	NHO 993
1991	Ford Van	1FMHE21HIMHB14452	829 GVZ
1995	Ford F-20	2FTHF26H35CA18921	178 HJP
1995	Ford Van	1FTJE34H5SHA87860	415 HNK
1994	Ford Taurus	1FALP52U2RA153160	765 GML



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Cache County Council

FROM: Tamra Stones, Cache County Auditor

DATE: March 11, 1998

SUBJECT: Tax Exemption Application\Affidavits - 1998

Affidavit: Logan Regional Hospital, - 05-016-0028 - Hospital; - 05-016-0029 - 23% of building seeking exemption - Surgical Center and 05-016-0086 - Logan Medical Center Condominiums, Unit G; BU-27-3045 - Home Care Services applying for personal property exemption only. New this year will be Rehab Services & Counseling filing for personal property exemption only. A list of vehicles owned and used by the hospital has been included for exemption.

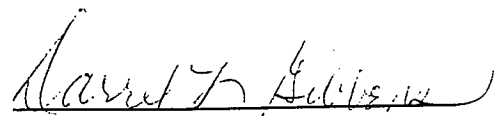
The application has been reviewed . This organization serves charitable purposes. All real and personal property is used to provide services to those who are in need of medical attention. In the Affidavit filed by the hospital it states that they have filed their personal property with the Assessor's office. The Assessor's office has received it. The charity plan and the 1997 gift to the community will follow soon.

FINDINGS OF FACT - UCA 59-2-1101

Findings are provided by the county council for this exemption.

DETERMINATION

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Cache County Council Chairman

4/14/98
Date

Attested:

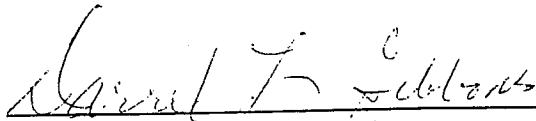
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April 8, 1998

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION AGENDA & DECISION RECAP

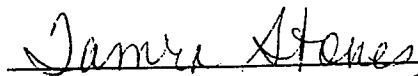
HEARING DATE: APRIL 1, 1998		Hearing Officers: M. Lynn Lemon Guy Ray Pulsipher		Assessor's Office Representatives: Kathleen Howell Ray Thorson Brian Hickman	
Clerk of Board: Tamra Stones					
Time	Name Address	Phone Number	Mobile Home #	Pre-Board Value	Equalized Value
9:00 a.m.	Jeromy Gunter 434 N. 670 W. Logan, UT 84321	787-0671	HT-27-1354	\$54,000.00	\$51,500.00
9:30 a.m.	Talmage Shill USU Trailer Court #141 Logan, UT 84341	797-6857	HT-27-0120	\$28,420.00	\$21,500.00
9:50 a.m.	C. Lee & Dana Bailey 145 USU Trailer Court Logan, UT 84341	797-6861	HT-27-0086	\$25,970.00	\$19,500.00
10:15 a.m.	Theron & Rebecca Weston USU Trailer Court #147 Logan, UT 84341	797-6860 H 752-3922 W	HT-27-0121	\$25,970.00	\$19,500.00
10:40 a.m.	Spencer & Julie Larsen Box 163 Richmond, UT 84333	258-5685	HT-18-0648	\$19,228.00	\$19,228 no change
Totals:				\$153,588.00	\$131,228.00

This listing was approved by the Cache County Council on Tuesday, the 14th day of April, 1998.



By: Darrel L. Gibbons, Chairman

ATTEST:



By: Tamra Stones, Clerk Board of Equalization

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CACHE COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. 98 - 12

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 1998 CACHE COUNTY WEED CONTROL POLICY,
PLAN AND FEE SCHEDULE

The County Council of Cache County, Utah, in a regular meeting, lawful notice of which had been given, finds that it is appropriate and necessary in accordance with the Utah Noxious Weed Act and Cache County Ordinance 79-11 for Cache County to adopt a weed control policy for the calendar year 1998.

THEREFORE, the Cache County Council hereby adopts the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the 1998 Cache County Weed Control Policy, Plan and Fee Schedule, a copy of which is attached hereto, is hereby adopted.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption and supercedes any prior resolution, motion, or policy adopted by Cache County.


This resolution was adopted by the Cache County Council on the 14th day of April
__, 1998.

Cache County Council

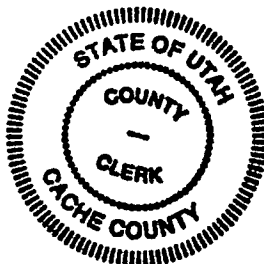


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Chairman

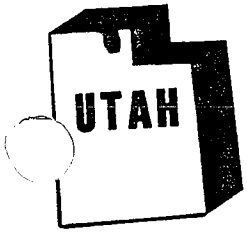
ATTESTED:



Stephen M. Erickson
Cache County Clerk



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CACHE COUNTY WEED CONTROL

527 North 1000 West
Logan, Utah 84321
(801) 752-2091 or (801) 752-0121

TO: Pat Parker

FROM: Karen Guymon 

SUBJECT: County Council ratification of 1998 Weed Control Policy

Here is the proposed Weed Control Policy as passed by the County Weed Board. Please have the County Council consider and approve it as soon as they can fit it on their agenda. Please send me a signed copy when it is finished. Thanks.

SUMMARY OF CHANGES:

Page 2 -- Category 1 Invading Weeds -- added Purple Loosestrife and Medusa Head Rye in plots of 1 acre or less.

Page 2 -- Category 2 Special Emphasis Dyer's Woad -- added & Medusa Head Rye in inaccessible areas.

Page 2 -- Category 3 Special Emphasis other -- added and Medusa Head Rye in plots larger than 1 acre.

Page 3 -- Number 2 Special Emphasis Dyer's Woad -- added & Medusa Head Rye.

Page 3 -- Number 5 -- added (total cost of labor, equipment & chemical)

Page 4 -- The State Department of Agriculture has added Purple Loosestrife to their noxious weed list. This weed was transferred from the Cache County noxious list to the state list.

1998 CACHE COUNTY WEED CONTROL POLICY

STATEMENT OF INTENT

The Cache County weed control program will function in accordance with the 1971 Utah State Noxious Weed Act and Cache County Ordinance (79-11) to organize, supervise, and coordinate a noxious weed control plan for Cache County.

Cache County encourages commercial and private weed control efforts where possible. The county weed control personnel will provide weed control in areas where terrain, organizational problems, or special equipment requirements make it difficult for commercial or private control efforts to succeed.

Current weed control practices will be used including chemical, biological and mechanical methods.

ANNUAL COORDINATION MEETINGS

The County Weed Board shall initiate an annual coordination meeting each spring. All organizations concerned with weed control should be invited to have a representative in attendance. The following agencies should be contacted; Utah Department of Transportation, U.S. Forest Service, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, Bureau of Land Management, Utah Department of Agriculture, Cache County Extension, Union Pacific Railroad, Utah Power & Light, Mountain Fuel, and Canal Companies. Cache County Personnel from the Weed Department as well as the Road Superintendent and the County Executive should be in attendance. Any other interested parties or citizens should be notified of this meeting through a notice in the newspaper.

The purpose of this meeting will be to inventory and record current problem areas, discuss and record any new infestations, discuss effective weed control efforts, and to plan and organize the year's weed control program.

Another meeting shall be held in the fall to inform the Weed Board of the activities of the Weed Control Department for the past weed season. The Annual Weed Progress Report should be presented and a summary of the results of the summer's activities should be discussed.

WEED CONTROL SERVICE AREA

Any individual, corporation, municipality, governmental agency, or organization owning, leasing, or controlling property may request the services of the County Weed Control Department in accordance with weed control priorities established and approved by the Weed Board and the Cache County Council.

Property owners are encouraged to participate in the weed control process by locating and verifying the spraying of specific infestations on their individual properties. The Weed Control Department reserves the right to schedule commercial application

equipment with permission of the property owner when the County equipment is not available.

WEED CONTROL PRIORITIES

1. Control of noxious weeds on County property. Control of any plant deemed a nuisance or hazard on County property.
2. Control of noxious weeds on steams, drainage, and irrigation systems. Also, control of non-noxious plants which impede the water flow in irrigation systems when that control can be accomplished as part of the noxious weed application.
3. Control of noxious weeds on non-cropland areas such as rangeland, wet pastures, fencelines, etc.

CATEGORIES OF WEEDS

For the purpose of organizing and funding control programs, the weeds are classified into four categories. The categories are INVADING WEEDS, SPECIAL EMPHASIS DYER'S WOAD, SPECIAL EMPHASIS OTHER, and ALL OTHER WEEDS.

1. **INVADING WEEDS** are those found in small localized infestations. These weeds may or may not appear on State or County noxious weed lists, but are emphasized because of their potential threat. Weeds considered invaders in Cache County are: YELLOW STAR THISTLE, SPOTTED KNAPWEED, DALMATION TOADFLAX, DIFFUSE KNAPWEED, BUFFALO BUR, BLACK HENBANE, HALOGETON, WILD PROSO MILLET, PURPLE LOOSESTRIFE, and MEDUSA HEAD RYE in plots of 1 acre or less. There will be no charge to the landowner for the eradication of these weeds. Funding to treat invading weeds will be provided by the County with the property owner aiding in the monitoring and spot treatment of the infestation.
2. **SPECIAL EMPHASIS DYER'S WOAD & MEDUSA HEAD RYE** in inaccessible areas will be given special consideration by aerial spraying only, with the County paying application costs, **subject to available funding**, and the landowner paying the chemical cost. All ground rigs will include full charge for both chemical and application costs.
3. **SPECIAL EMPHASIS OTHER** includes SCOTCH THISTLE, RUSSIAN KNAPWEED, MUSK THISTLE, TALL WHITETOP, LEAFY SPURGE, PUNCTURE VINE, and MEDUSA HEAD RYE in plots larger than 1 acre. Landowners will pay fifty percent of the full cost of treating these weeds, including chemical, labor, and equipment.

4. **ALL OTHER WEEDS** is the designation given those noxious weeds and other weeds whose infestation is of a general nature throughout the County. Grasses that pose a fire hazard will be included in this category. The full cost of treating these weeds will be assumed by the property owner.

WEED CONTROL FEE SCHEDULE

The following charges will be effective for the 1997 spraying season.

1. **INVADING WEEDS** -- No charge to the property owner.
2. **SPECIAL EMPHASIS DYER'S WOAD & MEDUSA HEAD RYE** -- Where terrain precludes the use of other equipment, the County Weed Department may choose to contract for aerial spraying. Cooperating landowners will pay the chemical cost only for such spraying.
3. **SPECIAL EMPHASIS OTHER** -- Property owners will pay fifty percent of all chemical, equipment, and labor costs.
4. **ALL OTHER WEEDS** -- Property owners will pay all chemical, equipment, and labor costs. Any property owner who will not or cannot provide access to their property for the County trucks and power spray equipment, will pay chemical and labor costs for backpack or Herbie spraying. Municipalities requesting County Weed Department services through Inter-local Agreements will be charged chemical, labor, and equipment costs.

LABOR COST	\$12.00 per man/per hour
EQUIPMENT	\$20.00 per truck/per hour
ATV COST	\$ 7.00 per hour
CHEMICAL	Actual cost of amount used

5. A **MINIMUM FEE** of \$30.00 (total cost of labor, equipment & chemical) will apply to all site visits made by Weed Department personnel and vehicles in response to requests to control weeds, except as provided otherwise in categories 1 thru 3 above. Requests for services or contracts with Cache County Weed Department which, due to distance, terrain, or special personnel requirements, create expenses not anticipated in the above guidelines, will be negotiated on an individual basis with the County Weed Supervisor and, if necessary, the County Executive.

PUBLICATION OF NOXIOUS WEED NOTICE

Before May 1 of each year a general notice of the noxious weeds in the County must be posted in at least three public places in the County. The same notice must be published in a newspaper or other publication of general circulation within the County.

The following is a list of weeds declared noxious by the state of Utah.

Bermuda Grass	Bindweed (Morning Glory)
Broad-leaved Peppergrass (Tall Whitetop)	Canada Thistle

Dyer's Woad
Leafy Spurge
Scotch Thistle
Quack grass
Squarrose Knapweed
Spotted Knapweed
Medusa Head Rye

Johnson Grass
Musk Thistle
Yellow Star Thistle
Russian Knapweed
Diffuse Knapweed
Whitetop
Purple Loosestrife

The following weeds are declared noxious by Cache County.

Goatsrue
Puncture vine

Poison Hemlock

NOTIFICATION OF PROPERTY OWNERS FAILING TO CONTROL WEEDS

Property owners, or the person in possession of a piece of ground, may be given notice personally or by certified mail that the weeds on their property must be controlled. The notice shall include the specific actions required to control weeds on the property and a specific time frame for completion. If no action is taken to remedy the situation the property may be declared a public nuisance.

If the owner or person in possession of the property fails to take action to control the noxious weeds within five working days after the property is declared a public nuisance, the County Weed Department may, after reasonable notification, enter the property, without the consent of the person in control of the property and perform any work necessary to control the weeds. Any expense incurred by the County in controlling the noxious weeds is paid by the property owner or the person in possession of the property. These charges must be paid within 90 days after receipt of the charges. If not paid within 90 days after notice of the charges, the charges become a lien against the property and are collectible with the general property taxes.

Cache County Council

Darrell Gibbons
Chairman

ATTEST:

Stephen M. Erickson
Cache County Clerk

Date

CACHE COUNTY
APR 21 1998
EXECUTIVE

*Pat
Please copy
for County
Council*

March 25, 1998

Gentlemen;

I recently received the public hearing notice on the closure of two county roads, (near the coyote research farm in Millville, and 3700 North and West of the railroad tracks in Hyde Park). Since I have an interest in both of these roads, (being a Millville resident and a property owner in Hyde Park), I drove out to the coyote research farm only to find that the road was already blocked off. I would be interested to know by whose authority this action was taken, and what the purpose of a public hearing was after the fact.

In regard to the Hyde Park road I, along with my two brothers, jointly own property serviced by this road and closing it will greatly effect our access. We have been offered by the Logan Cache Airport Authority, \$12,000 for 2.43 acres of this property. This price includes the "fair market value" of \$2,160 per acre, and reimbursement for improvements on the property, including a well. It would be more satisfactory to us to have the property replaced with a comparable piece of ground with comparable improvements. If that is the actual "fair market value" of our property the appropriate government agencies should have no problem with this replacement.

In conclusion it seems that the public and property owners are being misled by these actions. I would implore those involved to reveal what their true intentions are, along with clearly stating who is to benefit from these actions and at whose expense.

I await your reply,

Theil L. Jenson
Box 53
Millville, Utah 84326

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29 March 1998

Cache County Council
120 North 100 West
Logan, Utah 84321

Dear elected representatives of the county,

At the Cache County Council meeting held March 24, you asked that those interested should write their comments and transmit them to you prior to the meeting to be held on April 14th where the matter of closing the 3700 North Road will be considered.

In my opinion the closing of the road is not in the best interests of the county or the residents thereof.

The present airport is in the area where there is probably more fog than any other place in the valley. I have driven across the valley to Petersboro and also to Mt. Sterling, in dense fog, and when I got there the sun was shining and as I looked back toward Logan and Smithfield all I could see was a white sea of fog. Why spend more money on an airport location that is flawed to start with? An airport on the bench at Petersboro or Mt. Sterling would make much more sense and be a far better investment. There is no good to be gained by throwing good money after bad. The money that is proposed to upgrade the present airport could be a start at developing a more lasting investment.

The land along 3700 North is farm ground and pasture land and is owned primarily by people living in Hyde Park and Smithfield. They access their properties via 3700 North from the east. If they have to go around to the corner of 2400 West at 3400 North the miles to their property would be increased considerably and large farm machinery would have to be moved along more miles of road than is presently needed.

Logan City already owns 2500 North. As I understand it, the reason for wanting to extend the runway is to meet FAA requirements on approaches to the runway. As I understand it, the runway is long enough at the present time, but the crossing of 2500 North is the problem. Why not close 2500 North instead of closing 3700 North? Yes, some people would have to change their way of getting to Benson, but what is good one is also good for the other. Or bad, as the case may be.

In fact, why close either road. The number of aircraft that would need the longer runway is minimal relative to the number of people who use 3700 North and/or 2500 North.

I am in favor of having an adequate airport in the county. The cost seems exorbitant, however, for the small amount of usage it would get and the number of people it would serve compared to the number of people it would inconvenience. If the airport is for the convenience of only a few large companies, then maybe they should be expected to ante up the money and provide the space to build an airport that would serve their needs instead of putting the burden on the backs of the

populace of the county.

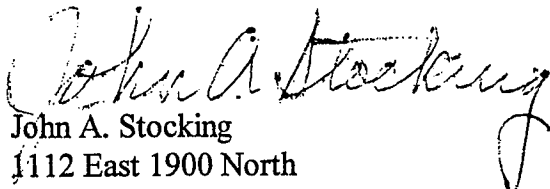
If 3700 North is closed without regard to the objections raised, it seems only fair that an access road from 3700 North to 4200 North should be provided close to the west side of the extended runway. We who own property down in that area have paid the taxes to build and maintain 3700 North. To now deprive us of the use of it without making other arrangements would be totally unfair. There should also be places provided to turn large semi trucks on 3700 North on both sides of the proposed extended runway. Large trucks with semi trailers haul cattle and other materials into that area. An adequate turning area is a must.

The proposal to close 3700 North seems very much like a land grab on the part of Logan City. Closing that road and extending the Logan City limits would seriously impede the opportunity of Hyde Park expanding to the west. If the smaller cities are limited in their tax base, they have a difficult time maintaining roads and providing other services. Most of the people living outside of Logan City already do much of their shopping in Logan City, thus Logan City already get a lion's share of the tax revenue. Do they want all of it? Does it seem right that we could expect Logan City to care for the citizenry better than is now being done by the smaller municipalities? The reverse seems to be true, judging from the complaints that are voiced. How big would Logan City be without the business of the residents of the outlying communities. Also, if the county and small community residents wanted to be in Logan City, they would have already moved there.

The other part of the "grab" seems to be that the FAA grant is looming so large in the eyes of some people that they are not willing to look at the whole picture. Some seem to feel they have to grab money any and every time it is available whether it can be used to the best advantage or not. In my humble opinion the proposed extension of the runway to the north and the closing of 3700 North is not using money to the best advantage. It is still our tax dollars whether it comes from the Federal Government or not. Let's not waste it or use it unwisely.

I implore you to look at all sides of this issue and not be stampeded into acting on the desires of Logan City without also weighing the desires and needs of the outlying communities and the people who elected you and who you promised to serve.

Very truly yours,



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CITIZENS OF HYDE PARK

ON TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 1997 AT 7:00 P.M. CACHE COUNTY COUNCIL WILL MEET TO CLOSE HYDE PARK LANE (3700 NORTH) WEST OF THE RAILROAD TRACKS.

THIS WILL AFFECT YOU BY:

1. Loss of commercial property for development. No tax base for basic services - sewer, water, roads.
2. Increase subsidy for airport authority, Logan City Encroachment into Hyde Park.
3. Additional taxes for citizens.

YOUR PRESENCE AT THE MEETING IS CRUCIAL. COME TO 120 NORTH 100 WEST, LOGAN, AT 7 P.M., TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 1998.

PLEASE COME AND BE PREPARED TO COMMENT.

Mark Daines

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Steve Erickson
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Logan, Utah

AIRPORT COMMENTS

I attended the airport public hearing on April 14, 1998. In the beginning of the meeting it was presented that adequate notice was given to the public about the airport. It was stated that notices were posted in the Logan Library, the County Office building, and the Herald Journal and all property owners were personally notified. I find it interesting that there were no public notices posted in the Hyde Park City Office, printed in the HydeParker newsletter, the Hyde Park Post Office or other such public buildings that serve the residents of Hyde Park by the airport committee or the Cache County Officials yet it is primarily Hyde Park residents who will be impacted by the final outcome. I was very surprised to hear that two property owners publically announced that they were not notified and learned about the issue through third persons and had to initiate contact to learn what was happening. I also found it interesting to learn that the condemnation of personal property is already in progress. To me that sounds like decisions have already been made in spite of reassurances at the meeting that there have been no final decisions made. The definition of adequate notice is also an interesting point. Hyde Park residents do not have Logan library use privilege to check out books so how frequently would they be visiting the Logan library and see a posted notice? The same goes for the County Office. Is that a daily part of Hyde Park residents to frequent and therefor see a posted notice? How many people take the Herald Journal and of those people how many check the posted agenda for meeting subjects? What if for some reason they are sick or out of town and miss reading the paper and so miss the one- day- before- the- meeting posted agenda? Does this constitute adequate notice? I don't think so.

Concerning the actual airport expansion, I would like to know the results of the already done research that was referred to but the results not given. For example, were the following subjects thoroughly researched and taken into consideration?

1. The University of Guelph and Dr. D.N.Mowat have published extensive research findings on the results of stress to cattle, pigs, and poultry in the Journal of Animal Science, the Canadian Journal of Animal Science, along with other prominent scientists and doctors. The results of their findings show major impact to decreased lean body mass, and elevated percent of body fat, decreased humoral immune response, decreased cell-mediated immune response, impaired vaccine response, elevated inflammatory response, increased morbidity, impaired milk production, impaired feed intake, subclinical ketosis and increased variability of feed intake.

Hyde Park and the surrounding area still has an agriculture base with many people earning their primary livelihood from dairy and cattle farming. Noise and frequent loud noise has been shown to be a stress to animals and can have detrimental results on productivity. Transporting animals to market is a very big stress and leads to morbidity. The less time in transport, the greater reduction in morbidity. Stress can impact the immune system of these animals and bring about many costly and undesirable side effects. All of this means extra expense to people who are in many cases running family businesses and can't afford to take extra losses. How will they be compensated if the road is closed and they have to take extra time, spend more money for longer transportation to get their animals to market, endure extra fiscal loss from morbidity, less performance of animal conditioning, spend more money to protect delicate immune systems, etc

Have these things been discussed and fiscal compensation been allotted accordingly?

2. What about pollution? Pollution of the air, the ground, the water, fields and food? Increased air traffic which will naturally come with the airport will deposit extra air pollution into the air, this will fall onto fields and gardens that grow food, into open water tanks that animals use and onto their feed, it will increase air pollution that we have to breathe. What will that impact be on the elderly and those with respiratory conditions? The air quality index will be lowered because it is projected that the airport will automatically attract industry around its boundaries. Industry usually brings increased pollution. What percentage of lead, mercury, cadmium, Nickel, etc. will be increased by additional automobile traffic to and from the airport, and industry byproducts? What about the quality of life in Hyde Park? Many residents work swing hours and need peace and quiet during the day to be able to sleep. That would not be possible with a busy airport that is so close to residential areas. The rest of Hyde Park would find their evening sleep disturbed too. Studies show that people with reduced quality of sleep become more prone to illness, are less tolerant, more prone to violence and have a reduced level of productivity. Sleep deprivation leads to more depression and anxiety. I don't think anyone wants his quality of life in Hyde Park to be jeopardized in any of these ways.

4. Air patterns: From time to time, it is necessary for airplanes to be placed in holding patterns before they can land. Where are the holding patterns going to be? Most likely they will be over residential homes giving continuous noise etc. until they can land. What about safety? It is a known fact that from time to time there are air collisions, mal function of airplanes that result in explosions, pilot error, air traffic controller errors that result in accidents. Where is that debris going to fall? Chances are it will fall on residential homes and increase possibilities for death, injury, and sorrow because of the proximity of the current airport to homes.

5. Cache Valley is basically a locked valley. It is prone to temperature inversions that can lock the valley into dense fog and air pollution. Is the airport prepared to place the latest high tech equipment to compensate for this to guarantee safety of air travel? If there isn't that kind of safety, what impact will it have on residents throughout the entire valley besides Hyde Park residents for increase in collision against our hills, and homes that are built on the benches if high tech equipment is not in place to deal with dense fog and inversions. Many times, during the winter, we have many days of below zero temperature. Will the airport implement deicing equipment like large major airports do?

6. Emergency services: Closing down the road reduces access to businesses, farm land, and the airport in times of disaster, earthquake, fire, wind, etc. A fire started by lightning could escalate in fields that are cut off from the highway. Valuable land, assets, etc. could be lost because of no direct access. Residential homes could be threatened or harmed too. Who will pay for these services? Currently Hyde Park does not have its own fire department, or emergency services. Services are contracted with the County and the city of Logan. If there is an emergency at the airport, will there be enough additional services available to still meet the needs of Hyde Park residents and other valley residents?

7. Toxic waste: Servicing of more airplanes will increase. Lubricants, oils, etc. need to be disposed of. The Logan land fill is reaching its capacity. Where are these toxic wastes going to

be disposed of? Is there a possibility that they can get into our ground water? Many Hyde Park residents still depend on wells to furnish their drinking water. Where the current airport is, there is in many areas a high water table that could easily be contaminated. Has that possibility been addressed?

8. Closing down Hyde Park Lane means increasing traffic in residential areas to get from place to place. 100 West is already a busy road in Hyde Park with traffic using it to go to Smithfield, North Logan, and Logan. This could be an increased risk to children playing because many drivers do not observe the 25 mile per hour speed limit. Busy, frustrated people oft times don't think ahead. How many of those drivers may be frustrated people and start taking out their frustrations on the road? Could this be a trigger for a type of road rage by local people who constantly are frustrated trying to get to their property, place of business, or receive deliveries, services and other day to day needs? So what are the long term social impacts on Hyde Park from the closing of the road?

9. If the road is closed down, will the traffic light be kept or moved? If moved, who will reimburse Hyde Park Citizens for monies spent for something not valid anymore but the bill is still there? What about taxes to citizens for extending water and sewer lines? Who will pay for the lack of use for them? Will the airport compensate for those monies?

10. As the airport expands, is there going to be a moratorium on building around the airport? Land is right now being condemned for the expansion. In 10 or 20 years, will peoples homes be condemned because there needs to be more expansion?

11. Taxes: Will the airport lower the value of homes on the West end of Hyde Park? Will it be harder for people to sell their home or land if they so choose because of the airport? What will the airport do to taxes? Will property taxes be raised to subsidize amenities needed at the airport? Many people chose to live in Hyde Park because it is a quiet, bedroom community. They like the peaceful tranquility of the community. Many of those people were living in Hyde Park BEFORE the current airport was even built. Isn't the expansion of the airport an intrusion to their lifestyle. They did not choose to live in Cache Valley because it was a large metropolitan area, but rather a haven from the problems of the big city life. Isn't that what is trying to be put here-- the values of big city living?

12. Planning: There is a saying about stepping over a dollar to save a dime. By keeping the current airport in its present location and trying to expand it, isn't that what we are doing? Ultimately as the valley continues to grow the airport will be completely locked in and have to be moved. Wouldn't it be better to plan that move now, identify land as a sufficient buffer zone around it by zoning laws, plan a planned industrial area around the airport and make provisions for all the needed services. Take into consideration airflow in the valley, patterns of residential expansion, stress, noise pollution, air pollution, safety factors, environmental long term factors, financial support needs and how to raise money and disperse the money fairly in the community, look at automobile traffic flow, what will an increase in enrollment at USU do to air pollution from their cars along with the airport increase. Look at the increase cost to cattle and dairy farmers and the long term to them. Will it ultimately put them out of business and if so who will

support them--welfare, what will their loss of tax payment do to the community. Who will be responsible for emergency services and pay for them? Well the list goes on in my mind. As I said these things were not explained in the April 14th meeting and I am not comfortable with talk of expanding the present airport until ALL the facts are in. I believe that when these issues are really looked at And coupled with the emotional life style impact, the conclusion will be to move the airport to a completely different location. People will not pay for the high price of a commuter plane trip to the SLC airport. They will take the airport shuttle or drive. Only a very few will use corporate planes, or spend the extra money to air commute. That is one of the main reasons why commute flights were canceled and the business shut down. It was losing money. The needs of a very few people are being put on the majority of the people and they are being asked to pay a very high price. I do not want the airport in its current position nor do I want to see the road closed. I would like to see my questions answered and see some very intense long term planning done.

Respectfully yours,
Janeel Henderson
Janeel Henderson
Hyde Park resident

P.S. I have run a business out of my home for 18 years. It is an international business - I have clients who fly into the Ogden airport in their jets. They seem to enjoy the hour drive to Hyde Park. The time from Ogden to Hyde Park is actually less time than when I fly to LAX for Century City or West Lake Village from LAX or into Dallas or Denver or National or Baltimore or JFK. I have customers who come from Japan, South America and all over the USA. The Logan airport has never been a negative to my business. I really don't need it.

I was born in Denver, Colorado - my parents moved because our home was in the landing path of the airport and we actually had tree top limbs and the bricks on our chimney knocked off by landing planes. Residential and airports should be well separated in distance in my opinion.

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April 3, 1998

Dear Council Members,

I would like to ask you if it is fair to advertise a hearing to close the road, at 3700 North, in a legal section of the paper, without the public having any knowledge of the purpose for its closure? The whole valley should know that this is the first step toward condemning property and expanding an airport that runs in red and is subsidized by the taxpayers. Please ask yourselves who is going to pay for the expansion? It is my understanding that this expansion has not been approved, therefore, how can you close roads and condemn property without a project?

Somewhere, I have read and I am sure you have read or heard that laws and decisions are to be made by the people, for the people, and of the people. This is the very foundation of our government. Why does it not apply in this situation?

One of your members said at the close of the meeting on March 24, 1998, that you had heard all the arguments and that there would not be any different points of view.

How do you know that, unless your minds have all ready been made up and in spite of some excellent suggestions, from very intelligent people, you have closed your minds. How sad, because the very people who made those suggestions paid for that road to be built. Don't you want the public to know the truth about what is going on? This was very evident from the statement, of another board member, when he said it was a persons duty to read the legal notices. Let's explore that statement. You work for the people. It is your duty to inform the people. How many people do not take the Herald Journal? Whose responsibility is it to inform them. Maybe they don't count?

Now, do you realize in that meeting , on March 24, 1998, the people there protesting the closure of the road, were teachers, lawyers, business men, crop farmers, dairy farmers, housewives, secretaries, ranchers, shepherders, engineers, and college professors. These people are not from just one field. They represented, WE THE PEOPLE, please listen to them.

My last point will be put yourselves in our position. Could you stand to see your land condemned after you had worked hard to pay for it, and paid your taxes to support everyone else? Could you stand to have no control over what money you get paid for your property.

What if you had no rights at all to an access to your property without going miles out of your way, crossing a very dangerous highway? As a person would you feel the helplessness of seeing your investment or farming dreams vanish? To once again pay more taxes only to benefit someone else? Could you possibly feel the hopelessness of life that seems to be so unfair. How would you react if you had paid property taxes, kept the laws of the land, and all you can do is set back and become an insignificant piece of humanity to be trodden under the heavy burden of paying for the rich and famous to play and become richer?

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