

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
June 23, 2025
OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, MURPHY
OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO

Present during the meeting were – Commissioner Bachman, Commissioner Holton, Commissioner Aberasturi, Clerk Barkell, Deputy Clerk King, NRD Desmond, HR Director Fahey, Deputy Treasurer Arellano, Sheriff Kendrick, Assessor Nettleton, PA Topmiller, Fair Board Director Criffield

Via Zoom –Museum Director Garsvo, P&Z Director Huff and representing Clearwater Financial, Christie Stoll

Commissioner Holton motioned to approve the claims report as presented in the amount of \$41,305.18. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Department	Amount
Current Expense Fund	\$ 9,639
Road and Bridge Fund	\$ 3175
District Court	\$ 123
Historical Society & Museum	\$ 984
Junior College Tuition	\$ 4050
Revaluation	\$ 251
Solid Waste	\$ 232
Waterways Fund	\$ 30
Capital Project Fund/ARPA	\$ 22,821

Tabled - Commissioner Holton motioned to table the decision on the Jim Richmond Backcountry Aviation Foundation Appeal for Property Tax Exemption. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the minutes from the June 16, 2025 meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve Assessor's new hire of Amber Smith for full time position at the pay rate of \$22.00 per hour. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve Assessor's new hire of Anita Gellerman for part time/temporary position at the pay rate of \$18.50 per hour. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve Fair Extension Office's new hire of Brinley Gunstream for part time summer help position at the pay rate of \$17.45 per hour. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

At 10:00 a.m., discussion with Christie Stoll representing Clearwater Financial regarding Architectural Professional Services and upcoming Owyhee County Projects. The commissioners decided to put future expansion projects on hold and re-examine them again after the new budget. It was also discussed that there may be grants available to help with the future projects.

At 10:52 a.m. Commissioner Holton made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206 (a) personnel. Commissioner Aberasturi seconded the motion. Aberasturi – aye, Holton – aye, and Bachman – aye. Motion carried. Open session was resumed at 11:15 a.m. No decision was made.

At 11:36 a.m., the Commissioners discussed with Fair Board Director Criffield how contracts and financial decisions will be handled or decided. The Commissioners would like to research more information. No decision was made and the discussion will continue at a later date.

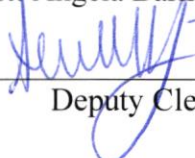
At 1:00 p.m., The Commissioners read a formal complaint sent in by a local business owner in regards to the Marsing DMV increased traffic. The Commissioners discussed possible solutions and will be reaching out to the business owner to work on solutions.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Dated this 7th day of July, 2025


Cindy L. Bachman, Chairman
Walt Holton acting chair

Attest: Angela Barkell, Clerk

By: 
Deputy Clerk