

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
July 7 & 8, 2025
OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, MURPHY
OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO

Present during the meeting were – Commissioner Bachman, Commissioner Holton, Commissioner Aberasturi, Clerk Barkell, Deputy Clerk Yoshikane, NRD Desmond, HR Director Fahey, Chief Deputy Treasurer Stoumbaugh, Sheriff Kendrick, P&Z Director Huff, Assessor Nettleton, Chief Deputy Assessor Bowen, and Appraiser 1 Penny; representing Idaho State Tax Commission- Sam Stone; and residents- Arthur Escujuri and Micheal Christianson.

Via Zoom – PA Topmiller, Museum Director Garsvo, VWC Maund, Engineer Cook, Extension Educator Greenway, Deed Processor Frelove, and Roll Clerk Johnson; and resident Randy Johnson.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the claims report as presented in the amount of \$153,167.05 Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Department	Amount
Current Expense Fund	\$ 80,792
Road and Bridge Fund	\$ 6,185
District Court	\$ 642
Fair, Grounds & Buildings	\$ 797
Probation	\$ 155
Health District	\$ 9,397
Historical Society & Museum	\$ 320
Revaluation	\$ 478
Solid Waste	\$ 23,799
Weeds	\$ 28,782
Waterways Fund	\$ 907
Off Highway Vehicles	\$ 747
Child Safety Fund	\$ 165

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the minutes from the June 9, 2025 meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the minutes from the June 23, 2025 meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve The Pour House for The Owyhee Cattlemen's Association on August 26, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the County Rodeo Board for the County Fair & Rodeo for August 6-10, 2025, from 5:30 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the Computer Arts / Harris Master Agreement FY2026 in the amount of \$74,218.43. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Holton motioned to accept the withdrawal of the tax exemption request from the Jim Richmond Backcountry Aviation Foundation. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve Pay Application 4 to Desert View Construction for Courthouse & Jail Sewer Project, in the amount of \$44,050.55, with the Chairman's signature for the Board. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Holton motioned to approve the contract with the City of Homedale for dispatch services for FY2025, in the amount of 27,500.00. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the contract with Marsing School District for FY2026 School Resource Officer, in the amount of \$75,000.00. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the Certificate of Residency 25-06 to the College of Southern Idaho. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Holton motioned to approve the subdivision plat review and approval for JD Lane Estates. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Holton motioned to table the 10:00 a.m. discussion for the County Department of Motor Vehicles regarding both the DMV fees and growth concerns until July 14, 2025. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

At 10:00 a.m., the Board discussed the DEQ property violation on 12601 Rocky Top Lane (address corrected for the record by PA Topmiller).

Commissioner Holton motioned to approve the County Policy for Drug Testing with addendum. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the County Policy for Children in the Workplace. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Holton motioned to approve the Sheriff's Office – Approval of Pay Scale with Step & Grade. Motion failed, due to a second.

At 11:00 a.m., Commissioner Holton motioned to recess as Board of County Commissioners and convene as Board of Equalization. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned deny the property tax appeal from Robert Mitchell for parcel MHD06000000200. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Decision for the property tax appeal from Arthur & Carolyn Escujuri for parcel RPA00000041200 will be presented during the July 14, 2025 meeting.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the 2025 Assessor valuation changes as presented (*see attachment*). Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

At 12:39 p.m., Commissioner Holton motioned to recess as Board of Equalization and convene as Board of County Commissioner. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

At 1:00 p.m., the Board began departmental budget meetings.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until Tuesday, July 8, 2025 to continue the departmental budget meetings.

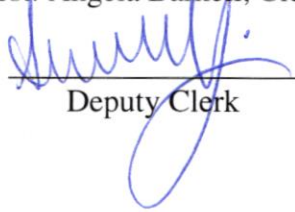
At 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 8, the Board continued departmental budget meetings.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned

Dated this 14th day of July, 2025


Cindy L. Bachman, Chairman


Attest: Angela Barkell, Clerk

By: 
Deputy Clerk