

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
July 14, 2025
OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, MURPHY
OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO

Present during the meeting were – Commissioner Holton, Commissioner Aberasturi, Clerk Barkell, Deputy Clerk Yoshikane, NRD Desmond, HR Director Fahey, Treasurer Dygert, Chief Deputy Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer Arellano, Sheriff Kendrick, PA Topmiller, P&Z Director Huff; representing Investigate West- Kyle Green; and residents- Aaron & Julie Christiansen.

Via Zoom – Assessor Nettleton, VWC Maund, and Engineer Cook; and residents- Marlene Moore, Michelle Meyers, Randy Johnson and Victoria Collett.

Residents Arron & Julie Christiansen presented their concerns regarding the increase in vehicle and foot traffic for the Marsing DMV.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the claims report as presented in the amount of \$136,152.24. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Department	Amount
Current Expense Fund	\$ 25,936
Road and Bridge Fund	\$ 28,279
District Court	\$ 569
Probation	\$ 179
Indigent and Charity	\$ 810
Revaluation	\$ 185
Solid Waste	\$ 1,807
911	\$ 7,499
Waterways Fund	\$ 3,077
Off Highway Vehicles	\$ 145
Capital Project Fund/ARPA	\$ 67,667

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the minutes from the July 7 & 8, 2025 meetings. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the 2025 audit engagement letter with Zwygart & Associates CPAs, with an audit fee in the amount of \$11,200 (and \$5,000 for a single audit), and with the Chairman's signature for the Board. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the catering permit to The Spot Pizza for the County Museum Ice Cream Social on July 18, 2025, for the hours of 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the contract with the City of Homedale for Dispatch as amended, in the amount of \$27,500.00. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the subdivision for West 44 Ranch as presented by the County Planning & Zoning Commission. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

At 9:45 a.m., the Board met with the County Treasurer for the 2026 budget.

At 10:00 a.m., the Board performed a quarterly jail inspection.

At 10:45 a.m., Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to recess as the Board of County Commissioners and convened as the Board of Equalization. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the 2025 Assessor valuation change for Parcel RP02N04W357380 to reduce the assessed value by \$60,020.00. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the 2025 Assessor valuation change for Parcel RP06S07E010001 to reduce the assessed value by \$16,000.00. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to deny the appeal on Parcel RPA00000041200 and uphold the Assessor's value. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

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

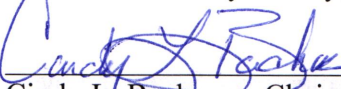
At 11:00 a.m., the Board met with Jarbidge District BLM for a coordination meeting.

At 12:30 p.m., the Board reviewed the departmental quarterly reports.

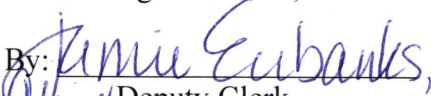
At 1:30 p.m., the Board met with PA Topmiller to discuss a proposed retainer agreement with Attorney Geoff Schroeder. The discussion continued with Assessor Nettleton presenting information on increasing the County DMV fees and County and citizen concerns regarding the increase in persons served at the Marsing DMV.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Dated this 21st day of July, 2025


Cindy L. Bachman, Chairman

Attest: Angela Barkell, Clerk

By: 
Deputy Clerk