

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
August 4, 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, Sheriff Kendrick, Chief Deputy Treasurer Stoumbaugh, PA Topmiller, Assessor Nettleton, Chief Deputy Clerk Eubanks, and Engineer Cook; and Third District Defender Govia.

Via Zoom – VWC Maund, Museum Director Garsvo, P&Z Director Huff, and; and resident- Michelle Meyers.

Commissioner Holton motioned to approve the claims report as presented in the amount of \$308,825.37. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Department	Amount
Current Expense Fund	\$ 41,926
Road and Bridge Fund	\$ 175,822
District Court	\$ 581
Probation	\$ 168
Historical Society & Museum	\$ 312
Revaluation	\$ 113
Solid Waste	\$ 24,568
911	\$ 7,356
Waterways Fund	\$ 1,470
Off Highway Vehicles	\$ 825
Taxing District Election Fund	\$ 653
Search & Rescue – Sheriff	\$ 258
Capital Project Fund / ARPA	\$ 54,775

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the minutes from the July 28th, 2025 meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Holton motioned to approve the catering permit for Liberty Lounge for the Owyhee County Fair, August 4, 2025 through August 9, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Aberasturi – aye, Holton – nay, and Bachman – aye. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve County Resolution 2025-31 - Adopting Kinds & Levels for New Position. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve County Resolution 2025-32 - Drought Declaration. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Holton motioned to approve the Sheriff's Office new hire of Jenevieve Hagler for full-time dispatch, at the pay rate of \$21.92 per hour, effective August 4, 2025. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Holton motioned to approve the Sheriff's Office 'Graduation from POST Academy' pay raise for Detention Deputy Ian Blanton from \$22.35 to \$23.02 per hour, Patrol Deputy Brant Monahan, remaining at \$24.13 per hour, and Detention Deputy Nathan Gruver from \$22.35 to \$23.02 per hour, with effective date for all on August 11, 2025. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the Sheriff's Office reassignment of Dispatch Julie Morgan from full-time to part-time, remaining at \$24.00 per hour, effective August 4, 2025. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve certificates of residency 25-11 to the College of Western Idaho. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

At 10:05 a.m., the Board met with Third District Public Defender Govia.

At 10:15 a.m., the Board met with Engineer Cook for discussion and action on change orders for the Courthouse Jail & Sewer Project.

Commissioner Holton motioned to approve Change Order #1 for DEQ required electrical construction in the amount of \$5,266.00 and Change Order #2 to add sand tubes to both lagoons to extend the life of the liners in the amount of \$44,151.00 (both to be paid out of the contract's miscellaneous line) on the Courthouse & Jail Sewer Project. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

At 10:30 a.m., the Board discussed and acted on the Marsing DMV Parking Lot Lease.

Commissioner Holton motioned to table the Marsing DMV Parking Lot Lease for further information until August 18, 2025. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

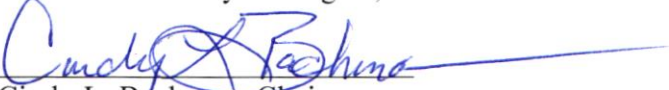
At 10:45 a.m., the Board continued the discussion on the land swap between the County and County Museum & Library. Action will be taken during the August 11, 2025 meeting.

At 11:00 a.m., the Board discussed- Geo-Thermal Comment period, Camping Fee Increases on BLM, and Energy Development on Federal Lands.

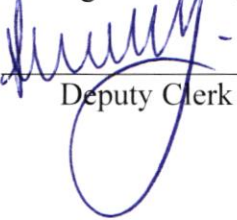
At 12:11 p.m. Commissioner Holton made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206(1) (a) personnel. Commissioner Aberasturi seconded the motion. Aberasturi – aye, Holton – aye, and Bachman – aye. Motion carried. Open session was resumed at 12:17 p.m. No action taken.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Dated this 11th day of August, 2025


Cindy L. Bachman, Chairman

Attest: Angela Barkell, Clerk

By: 
Deputy Clerk