

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
September 2, 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, Treasurer Dygert, Museum Director Garsvo, R&B 1 Super. Fuquay, R&B 3 Super. Jewett, P&Z Director Huff, and PA Topmiller.

Via Zoom – Assessor Nettleton, Attorney Schroeder, and Engineer Barton; AGROProfessionals representing Big Sky Dairy- Valene Cauhorn and Hannah Dutrow; and residents- Victoria Collett.

Commissioner Holton motioned to approve the claims report as presented in the amount of \$40,356.56. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Department	Amount
Current Expense Fund	\$ 9,661
Road and Bridge Fund	\$ 16,442
District Court	\$ 728
Fair, Grounds and Buildings	\$ 159
Probation	\$ 9
Historical Society & Museum	\$ 484
Revaluation	\$ 251
Solid Waste	\$ 12,523
Waterways Fund	\$ 99

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the minutes from the August 25th, 2025 meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Holton motioned to approve the catering permit for Cowboy's for Woody Harney Roping Pastime at the Bruneau Rodeo Grounds, on September 6-7, 2025, and from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Holton motioned to approve the catering permit for Cowboy's Pastime for the Bruneau Rodeo at the Bruneau Rodeo Grounds, September 20-21, 2025, and from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Holton motioned to approve County Resolution 2025-36 - Resolution to Sell Owyhee County Sheriff's 2015 GMC Sierra, 2015 GMC Sierra, 2015 Dodge Durango, 2006 GMC New Sierra, and Ammunition Through Rod Five Coats Auction. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Holton motioned to approve the letter of engagement to City of Grand View regarding a City Impact Area meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the letter of support for Duck Valley's casino proposal. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Aberasturi – aye, Holton – nay, and Bachman – aye. Motion carried.

At 10:02 a.m. Commissioner Holton made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206(1) (f) possible litigation. Commissioner Aberasturi seconded the motion. Aberasturi – aye, Holton – aye, and Bachman – aye. Motion carried. Open session was resumed at 10:35 a.m.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve County attorneys moving forward with current legal actions. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

At 10:30 a.m., the Board discussed what the 'liquor' portion on catering permits encompasses. Clerk Barkell will reach out to the State Liquor Board for clarification and a resolution will be presented at a future meeting.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the Sandoz Settlement Subdivision participation form as part of the Opioid Settlement, with the Chairman's signature for the Board. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the Calyx-Weaver & Associates proposal for a salary review of Grades 4-7, in the amount of approximately \$750.00, and with the Chairman's signature for the Board. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

Commissioner Aberasturi motioned to approve the 2025 L2 seven-day extension for all school districts, with a new submission deadline of September 11, 2025, and with the Chairman's signature. Seconded by Commissioner Holton. Motion carried.

At 11:00 a.m., The Board discussed the road maintenance agreement with Big Sky Dairy.

Commissioner Holton motioned to approve the road maintenance agreement with Big Sky Dairy. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

At 11:30 a.m. the Board met with Engineer Cook to discuss drainage from the fairgrounds parking lot and diverting it away from neighboring property owners.

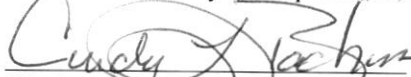
Commissioner Holton motioned approve a portion of the proposal from JCG Excavation, LLC for a 470 linear foot swale at \$6.00 per foot, for a total amount of \$2,820.00. Seconded by Commissioner Aberasturi. Motion carried.

At 12:00 p.m., the Board met with P&Z Director Huff to discuss future County land surveyor services. Clerk Barkell will reach out to Clearwater Financial regarding their scope of work; County staff will put together a Request for Proposals (RFP) if this is not in Clearwater Financial's scope.

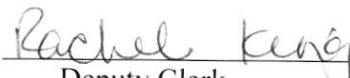
At 12:20 p.m. Commissioner Holton made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206(1) (a) personnel. Commissioner Aberasturi seconded the motion. Aberasturi – aye, Holton – aye, and Bachman – aye. Motion carried. Open session was resumed at 1:09 p.m. No action taken.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Dated this 8th day of September, 2025


Cindy L. Bachman, Chairman

Attest: Angela Barkell, Clerk

By: 
Deputy Clerk