



MINIDOKA COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES

February 09, 2026

The meeting was opened with the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer at 9:30 AM.

Present for this meeting were: Commissioner Orton, Commissioner Koyle, Commissioner Schaeffer, Prosecutor Stevenson, Clerk Page, Deputy Clerk Yates, and Deputy Clerk Ramsey.

Public present:

Procurement Official Faux gave an update on the remodel at the county south building. A discussion was held on the upcoming remodel design at the Duane Smith Annex and that bids will need to be received so the prices are set. Prosecutor Stevenson shared that if the project is over \$100,000 it must follow the procurement bid process, public work license is not needed under \$100,000.

IT Computer Support Specialist Bingham updated the Board on the IT department projects. He then shared a quote from Project Mutual Telephone. Commissioner Schaeffer moved to **approve the PMT quote to install an internet drop into the Minidoka Sheriff's Department dark room for \$144.95 per month being paid out of the E911 budget until funds are eliminated**, with a second voiced by Commissioner Koyle. Motion carried. He then shared quotes from M2 Automation for cameras and panic buttons. Commissioner Koyle moved to **approve the panic button receiver and labor to install at the prosecuting attorney office in the amount of \$5,270.77 and to decline the support, to be paid out of 08-14 (justice fund). Also to purchase the cameras for the dark room at the sheriff's department and the server room at the courthouse in the amount of \$5,105.55 and to decline the support, to be paid between 08-14 and 01-14 (justice and current expense) associating with the camera at each location**, with a second voiced by Commissioner Schaeffer. Motion carried. The cameras for the Assessor's office was tabled. Specialist Bingham also reported that PMT will come look at cables at the Veteran's office, will get a price before work is done and get a new locking system computer for building and grounds official Thomson.

Veteran Service Officer Driscoll gave his monthly report for Board review.

Deputy Clerk Lopez presented the community college certificate of residency applications for approval. Commissioner Schaeffer moved to **approve four community college certificates of residency**, with a second voiced by Commissioner Koyle. Motion carried.

Commissioner Schaeffer moved to **approve claims and payroll**, with a second voiced by Commissioner Koyle. Motion carried.

Commissioner Koyle moved to **approve the minutes of February 2, 2026**, with a couple of grammatical corrections, with a second voiced by Commissioner Schaeffer. Motion carried.

11:32 AM, Commissioner Schaeffer moved to **go into the Board of Equalization pursuant to I.C. 63-501**, with a second voiced by Commissioner Koyle. Motion carried. Seeing no business for the Board of Equalization, exited at 11:33 AM.

The Gellings Animal Trust Board appointment was tabled until the next meeting.

Dolan Ward addressed the Board regarding his solid waste fee on his property tax. He shared that his property is zoned ag medium not commercial. Chief Deputy Assessor Bair shared with the Board why the solid waste fee was assessed as commercial, zoning is how the property taxes are assessed, the solid waste is a separate fee which is billed on the use of the property. Commissioner Koyle moved to **remove the solid waste commercial fee for property associated with RP09S24E038551 and credit the amount of \$550.00**, with a second voiced by Commissioner Schaeffer. Motion carried. Commissioner Koyle agreed to work on a committee regarding the solid waste fees being charged.

A discussion was held regarding property violations throughout the county. Prosecutor Stevenson will get together with Planning and Zoning Director Nay to come up with guidance on how to handle complaints.

Cassia County Lieutenant Taylor presented two resolutions for the destruction of records from the Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center. Commissioner Koyle moved to **approve resolution #2026-001 to destroy old inmate records, and resolution #2026-002 to destroy old medical and jail records which have been digitized. These resolutions will be housed in Cassia County**, with a second voiced by Commissioner Schaeffer. Motion carried.

Sheriff Pinther presented three new vehicles for lease for the Sheriff Department. Commissioner Koyle moved to **approve and sign the leases for three Chevy Tahoe's with an annual payment for two of \$12,212.82, and one annual payment of \$11,936.00, with the following vehicle identification numbers: 1GNS6UED8TR220701; 1GNS6UED3TR220623; and 1GNS6UED2TR220631, three previously leased vehicles will be returned to Bancorp**, with a second voiced by Commissioner Schaeffer. Motion carried.

Sheriff Pinther reminded the Board that the toilet vault will arrive at the end of the month and if it is placed on the current OHV course it will not be moved. Dr. Parker from the museum will be contacted.

The Sheriff Department did a formal request for OPIOID funds for "The County Sheriff App" It was tabled until February 23, 2026, for further review of all the current requests for OPIOID funds.

Building & Zoning Official Nay addressed the Board regarding a request for assistance from the City of Heyburn. Commissioner Koyle moved to **authorize the building department to assist the City of Heyburn with the inspection on the Love's vent hood replacement due to a fire**, with a second voiced by Commissioner Schaeffer. Motion carried.

Clerk Page reported on: State Controller reports; Southern Idaho Solid Waste fee collection; Minidoka County Sale committee audit; and replacing the microfiche machine. She also shared a property tax training to be held on February 19, 2026.

Commissioner Orton moved to **approve the Minidoka Memorial Hospital's bylaws change in section 4.12, power to contract, to read: Contracts shall be in alignment with the strategic plan and Minidoka Memorial Hospital policies approved by the Minidoka Memorial Hospital Board. Contracts are to correlate within allowances per the annual budget. The Minidoka Memorial Hospital Board will be notified of contracts being negotiated that will have a significant impact upon Minidoka Memorial Hospital finances and strategic plan. All contracts may be inspected by the Minidoka Memorial Hospital Board, or individual members upon request**, with a second voiced by Commissioner Koyle. Motion carried.

The codification of the comprehensive plan was discussed.

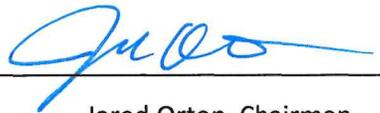
Correspondence:

- Raft River Electric Wildfire Mitigation plan
- City of Burley Public Hearing (4)
- City of Heyburn Public Hearing

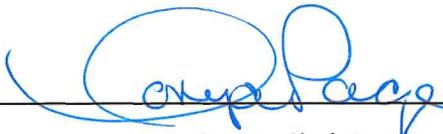
Adjourned the meeting at 1:36 PM.

Creator of this day's minutes: Deputy Clerk Ramsey.

ATTEST:



Jared Orton, Chairman



County Clerk Page