

MALHEUR COUNTY COURT MINUTES

July 16, 2025

The regularly scheduled meeting of the County Court was called to order by Judge Dan Joyce at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioner Ron Jacobs and Commissioner Jim Mendiola present. Members of the media, public and staff had the opportunity to join the meeting electronically or in-person. Present in the meeting room were Administrative Officer Lorinda DuBois, Economic and Community Development Coordinator Taylor Rembowski, and Juvenile Department Director Ted Martinez. Notice of the meeting was posted on the County website, Courthouse bulletin board and emailed to the Argus Observer and those persons who have requested notice. The agenda is recorded as instrument # 2025-2383

PUBLIC HEARING – SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET

Judge Joyce opened the public hearing for consideration of Resolution R25-20. The public hearing and supplemental budget were necessary in order to allocate Oregon Department of Agriculture Grasshopper and Mormon Cricket grant funds that were not anticipated when the budget was adopted – these funds are to be used to support initiatives that mitigate the impact of grasshoppers and Mormon crickets on agriculture crops. Additionally, the resolution allocates holdover funds from the Office of State Fire Marshall received March 16, 2023 in the Emergency Management budget – these funds are to be used for consultant work on the Community Wildfire Protection Plan; and allocates additional Oregon Youth Authority grant funds that were not anticipated when the budget was adopted in the Juvenile Crime Prevention budget – these funds are to be used for Juvenile Crime Prevention Basic Services. There were no public comments. Judge Joyce closed the hearing. Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve Resolution R25-20: In the Matter of Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Supplemental Budget by Resolution Under Local Budget Law ORS 294.471. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously. See instrument # 2025-2384

COURT MINUTES

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve Court Minutes of July 9, 2025 as written. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

IGA #26018 AMENDMENT

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve Tenth Amendment to Oregon Health Authority (OHA) 2024-2025 Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for the Financing of Community Mental Health, Addiction Treatment, Recovery, & Prevention, and Problem Gambling Services, Agreement # PO-44300-00026018. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The agreement is extended to December 31, 2025. A Local Plan and Budget must be submitted to OHA by October 1, 2025; and the Local Plan and Budget must be finalized for approval by OHA no later than December 31, 2025. See instrument # 2025-2410

AMENDMENT - BOCCALEONI AGREEMENT

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve Second Amendment to Temporary Employment Agreement for Part Time Courthouse Security Deputy - Malheur County Sheriff's Office - recorded with Malheur County Clerk as instrument number 2024-2868 and first amendment recorded as instrument number 2025-1234 with Rusty Boccaleoni. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously. See instrument # 2025-2385

ODOT (OREGON DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION) AGREEMENT – 5310

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve Public Transportation Division Oregon Department of Transportation Agreement No. 35765, Capital 5310. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The Agreement provides funding for public transportation services; the agreement terminates June 30, 2027. A sub-agreement will be entered into with Malheur Council on Aging and Community Services (MCOA&CS) to provide the services.

IGA - JCP BASIC

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve State of Oregon Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) Juvenile Crime Prevention (JCP) Basic Services with Oregon Youth Authority, Agreement #15408. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The agreement terminates June 30, 2027; funding is not to exceed \$111,842. See instrument # 2025-2418

AMENDMENT – DOE AGREEMENT NO. 25-023

Commissioner Mendiola moved to approve Amendment No. 001 to State of Oregon Department of Energy (DOE) County Energy Resilience Program (CERP) Agreement No. 25-023. Commissioner Jacobs seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The expiration date is extended to December 31, 2025.

AMENDMENT - IGA (INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT) #170516

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve Second Amendment to Oregon Health Authority Intergovernmental Agreement # 170516 for Environmental Health Services. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously. New language is added to the remittance provision for the Foodborne Illness Prevention Program.

AMENDMENT PROVIDER CONTRACT – LIFEWAYS

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve First Amendment to 2024-2025 Provider Contract between Lifeways, Inc. and Malheur County for the Financing of Community Mental Health, Addiction Treatment, Recovery & Prevention, and Problem Gambling Services Recorded with the Malheur County Clerk on February 7, 2024 as instrument Number 2024-0342. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The provider contract is extended to December 31, 2025; and the terms of the Tenth Amendment to State IGA #PO-44300-00026018 are incorporated in the First Amendment. See instrument # 2025-2412

UPDATED COUNTY POLICY 303 – SICK LEAVE

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve updated County Policy 303 – Sick Leave. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Effective January 1, 2026 sick leave may be used for blood donation that is made in connection with a voluntary program for the donation of blood that is approved or accredited by the American Association of Blood Banks or the American Red Cross. See instrument # 2025-2386

MOA - CANYON COUNTY

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between County of Malheur, State of Oregon and County of Canyon, State of Idaho. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The agreement is for juvenile offenders under the jurisdiction of Malheur County to be temporarily housed at the Canyon County Juvenile Detention Center.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Judge Joyce asked for public comments; there were none.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session was called by Judge Joyce in accordance with ORS (Oregon Revised Statutes) 192.660(2)(a) to consider employment of public officer, employee, staff member, or individual agent with Commissioner Jacobs and Commissioner Mendiola present. Also present were Road Supervisor Dave Tiffany, Administrative Officer Lorinda DuBois and Logan Fisher. No decisions were made during the session.

Executive Session was continued in accordance with ORS 192.660(2)(a) to consider employment of public officer, employee, staff member, or individual agent with Judge Joyce presiding and Commissioner Jacobs and Commissioner Mendiola present. Also present were Road Supervisor Dave Tiffany, Administrative Officer Lorinda DuBois and Chad Cooper. No decisions were made during the session.

BULLY CREEK PARK GROUNDS KEEPER

Commissioner Mendiola moved to authorize Ms. DuBois to make a conditional offer of employment for the Bully Creek Park Grounds Keeper position to the interview committee's number one candidate. Commissioner Jacobs seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

COURT ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Jacobs moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

** IGA with Oregon Department of Human Services Office of Resilience and Emergency Management, Agreement Number 185906 recorded as instrument # 2025-2387. Funding is to purchase privacy curtains for case management, medical, and/or mental health assistance to serve clients at the Malheur County Emergency Shelter.