

MALHEUR COUNTY COURT MINUTES
September 2, 2026

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. Judge Joyce led the Pledge of Allegiance. Members of the media, public and staff were able to attend the meeting in person or electronically. Present in the meeting room was Administrative Officer Lorinda DuBois. Notice of the meeting was posted on the County website, the Courthouse bulletin board, and emailed to the Argus Observer and all persons who requested notice. The agenda is recorded as instrument # 2026-2971

COURT MINUTES

Commissioner Mendiola moved to approve Court Minutes of August 19, 2026 as written. Judge Joyce seconded and the motion passed. Commissioner Jacobs abstained as he was not present on August 19, 2026.

Vote: JM/DJ in favor. Approved

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve Court Minutes of August 26, 2026 as written. Judge Joyce seconded and the motion passed. Commissioner Mendiola abstained as he was not present on August 26, 2026.

Vote: RJ/DJ in favor. Approved.

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.

Vote: RJ/JM/DJ in favor. Approved.

CHECK REGISTER

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve Accounts Payable Register for June and July 2026. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Vote: RJ/JM/DJ in favor. Approved.

OWYHEE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Commissioner Mendiola moved to approve signing a letter of support for funding assistance for Owyhee Irrigation District (OID) to upgrade and add irrigation system components to further

irrigation system automation to increase water delivery efficiency. Commissioner Jacobs seconded and the motion passed unanimously. See instrument # 2026-2972

Vote: JM/RJ/DJ in favor. Approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Judge Joyce asked for comments from the public. No public comments were received.

VERDE LIGHT COMMUNITY SOLAR PROGRAM

Ms. DuBois noted that although the Verde Light Community Solar Program has generated electricity bill credits for the County, the associated program fees offset those savings.

COURT ADJOURNMENT

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

Vote: RJ/ JM/DJ in favor. Approved.