Bear Lake County Commissioners' Meeting

September 1, 2026

Commissioners' Chambers – Paris, Idaho

The Board of Bear Lake County Commissioners met in a special meeting at 9:00 am, Tuesday, September 1, 2026, in the Commissioners' Chambers in Paris, Idaho. Video access to the meeting was available via Zoom. Members present were Board Chairman Rex L. Payne, Commissioner Wynn S. Olsen, Commissioner Alan P. Eborn, and Clerk of the Board Amy Bishop. Also in attendance was one staff member.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Board reviewed the agenda.

MOTION: Commissioner Eborn made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion received a second from Commissioner Olsen. The motion carried.

MOTION: At 9:02 am, Commissioner Olsen made a motion to go into a public hearing for the budget for Fiscal Year 2027. The motion received a second from Commissioner Eborn. The motion carried.

Clerk Amy Bishop provided an overview of the proposed budget. The total will be $14,133,408.00 for the fiscal year, with $4,871,811 coming from property tax. Bishop reported that the proposed budget includes a 4% raise for employees and provides for the creation of a justice fund for the Sheriff's Office. Bishop explained that the justice fund will allow funds to roll over year to year to allow for future capital planning.

Commissioner Payne indicated the meeting was open for comment. No public comments were offered. Commissioner Eborn stated that the county is in good financial shape due to good planning by past commissioners.

MOTION: At 9: 09 am, Commissioner Olsen made a motion to close the public meeting and return to the regular meeting. The motion received a second from Commissioner Eborn. The motion carried.

MOTION: Commissioner Eborn made a motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2027 budget as reviewed by the Board and prepared by the Clerk's Office. The motion received a second from Commissioner Olsen. The motion carried.

MOTION: Commissioner Eborn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion received a second from Commissioner Olsen. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 am.

Rex L. Payne, Chairman

9/24/26
Date Approved

ATTEST: Amy Bishop

Amy Bishop, Clerk