

COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 5, 2025

The Elmore County Commissioners met in regular session on the above date in the Commissioners Room, basement of the Elmore County Courthouse, 150 South 4th East, Mountain Home, Idaho.

Present at the meeting were Chairman Crystal Rodgers, Commissioner Bud Corbus and Al Hofer, Deputy Prosecutor Phil Miller, Clerk Shelley Essl, and Deputy Clerk Francene Payne.

Motion by Rodgers, second by Hofer, to amend the agenda by adding “request for additional funds for drone application”; “request for mold testing downstairs in LEB” and “time change for executive session from 2:30pm to 2:00pm.” A revised agenda was posted 24.5 hours prior to meeting.

CORBUS -AYE
RODGERS -AYE
HOFER -AYE Motion carried and so ordered.

Jason Kinley Pest Abatement supervisor appeared in front of the Board to request additional funds for drone applicator to conduct one more application that will carry to the end of the season and buy extra supplies for next year due to an expected increase in supplies.

Motion by Hofer, second by Rodgers, to approve additional funds for drone applicator and extra supplies for next year in the amount of approximately \$60,000 to conduct one more application that will carry to the end of the season and due to an expected increase for supplies buy now and save money.

CORBUS -AYE
RODGERS -AYE
HOFER -AYE Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Rodgers, second by Corbus, to go into Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(b) to discuss a personnel issue. Roll call vote was taken.

CORBUS -AYE
RODGERS -AYE
HOFER -AYE Motion carried and so ordered.

Regular session resumed. No decision was made as a result of the Executive Session.

AJ Holtz HR director appeared before the Board to request for mold testing downstairs in the LEB. AJ also discussed the finalization of benefits selection.

Lieutenant Kyle Moore showed the Board a big Sheriff fee book from 1897 he found in the basement. He wanted to preserve it with the big books in the vault.

Dylan Lawrence water attorney and Terry Scanlan County water projects appeared in front of the Board with a draft approval document from IDWR for the County's Snake River permit application, and they have requested a response from the County regarding any issues. The Board wants them to continue going forward.

Dylan Lawrence water attorney and Dean Bennett with Holland and Hart appeared before the Board to discuss the Anderson water rights matter.

Motion by Rodgers, second by Corbus, to go into Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(1)(f) pending litigation. Roll call vote was taken.

CORBUS -AYE
RODGERS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE Motion carried and so ordered.

Regular session resumed. No decision was made as a result of the Executive Session.

Motion by Hofer, second by Rodgers, to approve the expenses in the amount of \$281,471.23.

Justice Fund	\$56,203.10
Current Expense	\$110,694.15
Indigent/Pension	\$1,592.25
District Court	\$5,111.58
Ambulance District	\$8,390.70
Drug Court	\$613.95
Juvenile Tobacco Tax Grant	\$2,319.78
E-911	\$9,814.50
Fair	\$4,437.78
Revaluation	\$449.14
Solid Waste	\$36,120.85
Capital Improvement	\$986.74
ARPA	\$16,245.00
Industrial Revenue	\$7,416.66
Juvenile Lottery Fund	\$703.25
Consolidated Elections	\$2,954.00
Planned Development	\$413.60
DMV Trust Fund	\$41.00
Juvenile Justice	\$807.46
Vessel	\$147.95
Pest Abatement District	\$16,007.79

CORBUS -AYE

RODGERS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Rodgers, second by Corbus, to approve the payroll in the amount of \$192,276.59.
CORBUS -AYE
RODGERS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Rodgers, second by Hofer, to approve the minutes for August 22, 2025.
CORBUS -AYE
RODGERS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Rodgers, second by Hofer, to approve the Certificate of Residency applications.
CORBUS -AYE
RODGERS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Hofer, second by Rodgers, to approve the agreement to provide access to certain records with Pioneer Title Company Ada County.
CORBUS -AYE
RODGERS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Hofer, second by Rodgers, to approve the Passthrough Funds recipient agreement for Juvenile Corrections.
CORBUS -AYE
RODGERS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve the agreement for Noxious Weed Control with Idaho Transportation Department, Division of Highways.
CORBUS -AYE
RODGERS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Hofer, second by Rodgers, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 922-25 and refer to it in title only.
CORBUS -AYE
RODGERS..... -AYE

HOFER -AYE Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Rodgers, to approve Resolution No.922-25, destruction of records.

CORBUS -AYE
RODGERS -AYE
HOFER -AYE Motion carried and so ordered.

Dylan Lawrence water attorney, Peter Richardson Energy and Utility Attorney, Holten White and Mike Boeck with HDR, a global professional services firm, discussed with the Board regarding a power supply option for South Fork project.

Motion by Corbus, second by Rodgers, to approve HDR to proceed with \$20,000 payment to Idaho Power to start the installation of the primary metering package at the pumping facility.

CORBUS -AYE
RODGERS -AYE
HOFER -AYE Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve HDR Engineering to obtain Geotechnical information and recommendations to complete the Civil and Structural 60% design not to exceed \$80,350.00.

CORBUS -AYE
RODGERS -AYE
HOFER -AYE Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Rodgers, second by Hofer, to approve the L2 extension requests filed with the Clerk's office.

CORBUS -AYE
RODGERS -AYE
HOFER -AYE Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Corbus, second by Rodgers, to approve the finalizing benefits selection.

CORBUS -AYE
RODGERS -AYE
HOFER -AYE Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by Corbus, second by Hofer, to adjourn for lunch.

CORBUS -AYE
RODGERS -AYE
HOFER -AYE Motion carried and so ordered.

Public Hearing for FY2026 County Budget, Ambulance District Budget and Pest Abatement District
Opened at 1:31 pm.

Shelley Essl Elmore County Clerk provided a presentation to the Board.
No members of the public signed to speak In Favor, Opposed or Neutral regarding the FY2026 Budget.
No members of the public signed to speak In Favor, Opposed or Neutral regarding the FY2026 Ambulance District. No members of the public signed to speak In Favor, Opposed or Neutral regarding the FY2026 Pest Abatement District.
Public Hearing Closed at 1:41pm.

Motion by Rodgers, second by Hofer, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 923-25 and refer to it in title only.

CORBUS -**AYE**
RODGERS -**AYE**
HOFER -**AYE** **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Rodgers, second by Hofer, to approve Resolution No. 923-25, adopt the FY2026 County Budget in the amount of \$38,597,971.00.

CORBUS -**AYE**
RODGERS -**AYE**
HOFER -**AYE** **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Rodgers, second by Hofer, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 924-25 and refer to it in title only.

CORBUS -**AYE**
RODGERS -**AYE**
HOFER -**AYE** **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Rodgers, second by Hofer, to approve Resolution No. 924-25, adopt the FY2026 Ambulance District Budget in the amount of \$4,274,497.00.

CORBUS -**AYE**
RODGERS -**AYE**
HOFER -**AYE** **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Rodgers, second by Hofer, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 925-25 and refer to it in title only.

CORBUS -**AYE**
RODGERS -**AYE**
HOFER -**AYE** **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Rodgers, second by Hofer, to approve Resolution No. 925-25, adopt the FY2026 Pest Abatement District Budget in the amount of \$1,105,534.00.

CORBUS -**AYE**

RODGERS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Rodgers, second by Corbus, to approve liquor license transfer from El Toro Market to Estrellita Market.

CORBUS..... -AYE
RODGERS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Rodgers, second by Hofer, to approve the catering permit for Prairie QRU annual auction and BBQ.

CORBUS..... -AYE
RODGERS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Motion by Rodgers, second by Corbus, to go into Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(b) to discuss a personnel issue. Roll call vote was taken.

CORBUS..... -AYE
RODGERS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Regular session resumed. No decision was made as a result of the Executive Session.

Motion by , second by , to go into Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(b) to discuss a personnel issue. Roll call vote was taken.

CORBUS..... -AYE
RODGERS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

Regular session resumed. No decision was made as a result of the Executive Session.

Motion by , second by , to **adjourn.**

CORBUS..... -AYE
RODGERS..... -AYE
HOFER -AYE **Motion carried and so ordered.**

/S/ CRYSTAL RODGERS, Chairperson
ATTEST: /S/ SHELLEY ESSL, Clerk

Motion by , second by , to approve

CORBUS -**AYE**

RODGERS -**AYE**

HOFER -**AYE**

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by , second by , to approve

CORBUS -**AYE**

RODGERS -**AYE**

HOFER -**AYE**

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by , second by , to suspend the reading of Resolution No. -20 and refer to it in title only.

CORBUS -**AYE**

RODGERS -**AYE**

HOFER -**AYE**

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by , second by , to approve Resolution No. -20,

CORBUS -**AYE**

RODGERS -**AYE**

HOFER -**AYE**

Motion carried and so ordered.

Motion by , second by , to go into Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(b) to discuss a personnel issue. Roll call vote was taken.

CORBUS -**AYE**

RODGERS -**AYE**

HOFER -**AYE**

Motion carried and so ordered.

Regular session resumed. No decision was made as a result of the Executive Session.

Motion by , second by , to approve

CORBUS -AYE
RODGERS -AYE
HOFER -AYE

Motion carried and so ordered.