

COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

FEBRUARY 13, 2026

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 Al Hofer, Commissioners Bud Corbus and Crystal Rodgers, Prosecutor Shondi Lott, Clerk Shelley Essl, and Deputy Clerk Francene Payne.

Motion by Hofer, second by Rodgers, to amend the agenda by adding “Executive Session I.C. 74-206(1)(b) personnel issue at 10:00am.

Motion by Hofer, second by Rodgers, to go into Executive Session pursuant to I.C. 74-206(1)(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 Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve the minutes for February 6, 2026.

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

Amber Sloan, Treasurer appeared before the Board to discuss geothermal leasing funds. She told the Board \$873,000 was from Natural Resource Revenue and the State gave the County 10% of what they received which was \$171,000. She let the Board know the different ways the money must be spent. She told the Board she learned from her conference that you can call 988 for free to receive help from professionals in crisis situations and they will come to your house without contacting the police unless necessary and it’s nationwide.

Shelley Essl Clerk and Prosecutor Shondi Lott discussed Opioid Funds and how the County can use them according to the specific qualifications. The Board requested copies of the specific qualifications to read.

Motion by Hofer, second by Corbus, to approve the Certificate of Residency applications.

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

PUBLIC HEARING for civil fee increases. Sheriff Hollinshead appeared to present civil fee increases to the Board. Public Hearing was open at 11:03am. No members of the public in favor, no members in opposition and no one was neutral. Public Hearing was closed at 11:04am.

Motion by Corbus, second by Hofer, to approve the civil fee increases as presented.

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

Motion by Corbus, second by Rodgers, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 939-26 and refer to it in title only.

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

Motion by Corbus, second by Rodgers, to approve Resolution No. 939-26, civil fee increase.

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

Rhoda O’Hanley presented an update on happenings in Glenns Ferry to the Board.

Motion by Hofer, second by Rodgers, 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.

NM 02-26-01 Motion by Hofer, second by Rodgers, to approve with direct payment to Rost Funeral Home with no reimbursement order as the applicant is deceased.

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

James Roddin appeared in front of the Board to discuss the Forest Service building demolition. He explained having a Rage Release for the County employees only. It will be held on a Saturday and will be a fundraiser for the Employee Committee. The cost will be \$10 for 15 minutes of smash time in specific areas and a waiver will be signed.

Keri Hill, Terry Scanlan with Panorama Environmental Inc and Dylan Lawrence water attorney will be presenting at the water projects workshop.

Motion by Rodgers, second by Corbus, to adjourn for lunch then attend the water projects workshop at the Public Services 1 building and adjourn from there.

CORBUS..... -**AYE**

RODGERS..... -**AYE**

HOFER -**AYE**

Motion carried and so ordered.

Water Projects Workshop

* Terry Scanlan opened the workshop talking about declining ground water levels.

* Keri Hill presented proposed future actions and funding was discussed.

* Dylan Lawrence discussed O & M Entity Options.

*Group discussion and Next Steps

Motion by Rodgers, second by Corbus, to adjourn.

CORBUS..... -**AYE**

RODGERS..... -**AYE**

HOFER -**AYE**

Motion carried and so ordered.

/S/ ALBERT HOFER, Chairperson

ATTEST: /S/ SHELLEY ESSL, Clerk