

# LINCOLN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

## Regular Meeting

July 21, 2025

**Present: Rebecca Wood, Chairman; Nathan Schutte, Commissioner, Not Present, Tim Ridinger, Commissioner, Jennifer Hohnhorst, Clerk, Cindi Sievers, Clerk for minutes.**

10:00am Chairman Wood called the meeting to order and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes and Claims

**Commissioner Ridinger made a motion to accept the minutes for July 14, 2025 as presented. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimously in favor, motion carries.**

**Commissioner Ridinger made a motion to pay the Lincoln County accounts payable for \$35,881.56. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimously in favor, motion carries.**

10:06am Action Items

Frontier Project Administrative Contract

Chairman Wood explained that the contract is to facilitate the Neher Park Reimbursable Grant. Edgar, Frontier Community Resources, discussed the contract's requirements for the grant.

**Chairman Wood made a motion to approve to sign the Frontier Project Administrative Contract making Frontier the administrator of the grant. Commissioner Ridinger seconded. Vote unanimously in favor, motion carries.**

Drought Declaration

Chairman Wood reached out to a Board Member of Idaho Department of Water Resources regarding water to see if we should apply for and Emergency Drought Declaration. The answer is yes since Blaine County was approved. Discussion on the water situation in Lincoln County.

**Commissioner Ridinger made a motion to approve applying to the State for an Emergency Drought Declaration and read the letter from Lincoln County into the record asking for approval. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimously in favor, motion carries.**

Idaho BEAD Application for a Broadband Grant

Chairman Wood state that Idaho BEAD is a broadband grant application is for Shoshone and discussed the match for the County. She said the County's current broadband infrastructure can be used since it's already expensed and in place.

**Commissioner Ridinger made a motion to sign the Idaho BEAD application. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimously in favor, motion carries.**

½ Day off for Friday to attend the Fair

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Chairman Wood discussed this is an annual event the County does to support the Fair. Clerk Hohnhorst stated this is only paid to those who attend the fair after the courthouse closes early.

**Ridinger made a motion to approve the ½ day off to attend the fair. Chairman Wood seconded. Discussion: the employee must attend the fair to get the ½ day paid. Vote unanimously in favor, motion carries.**

10:21am Event Security Discussion

Clerk Hohnhorst explained her concerns for the fee on the contract and how much is paid out by the county. By contracting with the Sheriff's office, it allows the deputy to be covered by ICRMP. Discussion on the pay and should be a separate check to the deputy since the deputy is off duty to fulfill the obligation. Discussion on where this will be budgeted in the Sheriff's office for FY2026.

10:34am Correspondence and Old Business

Chairman Wood read a letter into the record from the Richfield Library thanking the County for its donation and a request for \$4,000.00 in FY2026.

Commissioner Ridinger discussed his board meeting with Tri-County Weed on the FY26 budget stating there were funds allocated to reduce the vehicle budget to \$30K from \$50K.

Chairman Wood read a letter into the record from St. Luke's thanking the county for the \$1,000.00 donation.

Chairman Wood had calls regarding the nuclear energy proposal for Jerome County. Discussion on the place, date and times of the meetings and what the project is for.

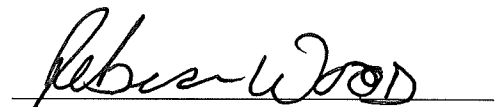
10:45am Chairman Wood reconvened the regular meeting for a brief break until 11:00 for the Planning & Zoning work session.

11:00am Chairman Wood closed the regular meeting to open the Planning & Zoning Work Session.

11:37am Chairman Wood reconvened the regular meeting. There being no further business, Chairman Wood adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully,

Cindi Sievers, Clerk for Minutes



Rebecca Wood, Chairman

Attest:



Cindi Sievers, Clerk for Minutes