

REGULAR SESSION, March 9, 2026

Commissioner Bolduc opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Buhler, Commissioner Eames, Prosecutor Misseldine and the Chief Deputy Clerk, Jackie Fuqua, were present.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Buhler moved to go into executive session pursuant IC§74-206(b) personnel matters. Roll call vote: Eames-Yes, Buhler-Yes, Bolduc-Yes. The Board recessed the executive session at 10:28 a.m. Commissioner Eames made a motion to temporarily change the status of Chief Deputy Clerk Jackie Fuqua to Acting County Clerk at \$42.78 per hour, 40 hours a week as an exempt employee, until County Clerk Denise Gill comes back or a new clerk is appointed. Commissioner Buhler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

1000 SPRINGS REALTY-LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT

Commissioner Bolduc abstained due to a potential conflict of interest. Grant Cooke from 1000 Springs Realty requested a lot line adjustment. It was pointed out by Prosecutor Misseldine that the wording of the request was inaccurate, so this decision was tabled for now until proper naming of the request is given by Grant Cooke.

Commissioner Buhler recessed the regular session and opened the Ambulance District meeting at 10:45 a.m.

AMBULANCE DISTRICT

Director Kepler presented purchase or lease options for the second new ambulance. After discussion it was decided not to lease. Commissioner Eames made a motion to purchase the new ambulance for \$297,000. Seconded by Commissioner Buhler. Motion carried. Commissioners asked Director Kepler to check on the title with I.T.D. for the first ambulance so grant funds can be dispersed, and to investigate any avenues to sell the old ambulances in inventory. There was also discussion concerning the request for an estimate extension for the handheld radios presented on March 2, 2026. White Cloud will extend an additional 30 days. Clarification was made that the new radios were just needed as backups or for new hires.

Commissioner Bolduc adjourned the Ambulance District and reconvened the regular session at 11:00 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

HAGERMAN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Commissioner Bolduc, Commissioner Buhler, Commissioner Eames, Prosecutor Misseldine, Chief Deputy Clerk, Jackie Fuqua and Michele McFarlane from Frontier Community Resources were present. John Kepler and Barbara Rivers from the public attended. Michele McFarlane gave a brief synopsis of the \$500,000 Idaho Community Development Block Grant program for purchasing a new Type 1 pumper truck and a new Type 4 brush fire truck. The first truck has been received, and the second should arrive within the next week or two. There must be a repair to the Type 1 pumper and then the Type 4 truck will be sent.

CLAIMS

Commissioner Buhler moved to approve the February 2026 claims. Commissioner Eames seconded the motion. Motion carried.

General \$382,743.36	Road and Bridge \$-0-	Consolidated Elections \$-0-
District Court \$3,880.45	Fair \$1,602.80	Public Health \$-0-
Hagerman Police \$6,669.03	Wendell Police \$9,216.05	Opioid \$-0-
Jr. College \$-0-	Landfill \$-0-	Broadband \$-0-
Revaluation \$-0-	Veterans Memorial \$-0-	Weeds \$1,337.98
Waterways \$-0-	Broadband \$-0-	
TOTAL \$405,449.67		

Ambulance District \$28,027.49

KARL – PANIC BUTTONS FOR DMV BUILDING

Karl Souza, Building and Grounds, says the panic button system is overloaded and needs more space. Shelly Bates says we need to separate the DMV from the legal building. Assessor Baldwin says it has been a problem in the past. An estimate from Pinnacle Technologies for \$3,607.24 was presented to have a new panic alarm system installed for the DMV. Commissioner Buhler made a motion to approve the estimate for \$3, 607.24 for the alarm. Commissioner Eames seconded the motion. Motion carried.

BROADBAND

No Broadband business on this day.

MINUTES

Commissioner Buhler moved to approve March 2, 2026, minutes with a couple corrections. Seconded by Commissioner Eames. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Commissioner Eames never received a call back about the invoice from Button Willow Warehouse for a supposed chemical shipment. Prosecutor Misseldine has not heard back from Simplot concerning the Wendell land they were interested in. Karl Souza could not look at the roads around the county because it rained on the day he was scheduled to do so with 5J Excavation. It was reported that the person who brought the keys to the County Clerk’s office for the American Legion Hall in Gooding is in no way affiliated with the Hall and is conducting business in the building. Prosecutor Misseldine will speak with Wayne Chandler to get a new contact to move forward.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Michele McFarlane informed the Commissioners that Gooding County was awarded a \$5,000 Smiles Grant. Grant funds are reimbursed, so receipts will have to be submitted for funds to be dispersed.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

There were no committee meeting reports on this day.

Commissioner Buhler adjourned the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

Mark E. Bolduc, Chairman

Vern Eames, Commissioner

Ronald Buhler, Commissioner

Attest: _____
Jackie Fuqua, Chief Deputy Clerk