

The Board of Commissioners met at the District office located at 3890 NW 1st Avenue, New Plymouth Idaho for their Regular Board Meeting. Present were Commissioner's Tom Allmaras, Eric York and Ryan Henggeler, Director of Highways Kelly Cockerum and Clerk Wendy Adamsen; also present was Andy Gehrke with HECO Engineers, Cami and Ben Caine with GEO Science, Shawn Seubert with Valley Paving, Mark West with Granite Excavation and Matt Abrams with Knife River Corporation. At 4:00 P.M. the meeting was called to order by Chairman Ryan Henggeler.

The Commissioners received a copy of the minutes from the March 10, 2026 regular Board meeting; the minutes were approved as written.

The Clerk gave the financial report. The balance at First Interstate checking will be \$610.51 after the transfer from the LGIP and the April 14, 2026 bills are paid; the April 14, 2026 bills totaled \$7,781.81. The balance at the LGIP will be \$1,615,831.80 after the transfer to the First Interstate checking in the amount of \$7,800.00. The total road and bridge fund balance is \$1,616,442.31.

New Business:

- 1) The bids for F2026 paving projects were opened and reviewed:
 - a. Granite Excavation - \$956,440.00
 - b. Valley Paving - \$784,099.50
 - c. Knife River - \$1,070,849.00

After some discussion of the Board and the Director, Eric motioned to accept Valley Paving's bid, Tom seconded the motion and it was carried.

- 2) Cami with GEO Science gave the Director the permits for their project, she also presented pictures of the equipment that will be used and stated that the PSI is 20-40 and that the tires are floated to lessen the impact on the roads. Ben stated that they have been also notifying all the homeowners so they will understand what they are doing. The Director asked about a bond and Cami stated that we would be added as a certificate holder to their insurance which has a million dollar per occurrence. It was also discussed that they will not be going over culverts as they don't get good data, Ryan asked when they planned on starting this project Ben stated that they hope the end of May, the Director stated that he would need to know so they can coordinate the overlay he has planned on the road that they will be working on.
- 3) Resolution 2026-6 to reclassify roads in New Plymouth was read in full and discussed with Andy who stated by reclassifying the roads it would open up doors for additional funding thru LHTAC; Tom motioned to approve Resolution 2026-6 and Eric seconded the motion and it was carried.
- 4) The Clerk presented a letter from Julie Fugate and many other residents who live on Pennsylvania Ave and NW 24th Street in Fruitland, their complaints include the amount of traffic on their road and that there are so many speeders that make it difficult to get in and out of their driveways. They are requesting additional speed limit signs, speed trailers, more patrols and making N Pennsylvania and NW 24th a no-outlet road; the Director stated that we did put back up one of the speed limit signs. After some additional discussion it was decided that the Director will send Mrs. Fugate informing her that we will insure that the speed limit signs are up but that we don't have speed trailers and we can't make that road a no-outlet road.

Old Business:

- 1) The agreement with HECO was discussed, the Clerk informed the Board that Mike Davis was able to get a hold of the County and set it up so that the review bills on our behalf will be directly submitted to them so we won't ever see a bill. After some additional discussion it was decided to accept the agreement and Ryan signed it.
- 2) The Snake River Gas and Oil lease agreement was discussed, the Board would like some wording that if the mineral rights are not used that they are returned to the Highway District before we sign; the Clerk stated that she will get a hold of Wade.
- 3) The purchase of a new bucket truck was discussed, it was decided that the Director should continue to look for one.

Clerks Report:

- 1) The Clerk stated that the IAHD regional meeting will be on May 5th at 11:00, she needs to know who will be attending so she can register them; everyone stated that they intend on going.

Director of Highways Report:

- 1) The Director stated that they crew has been dealing with water and culverts this week. Eric said that Denver and NW 4th needs some attention, Kelly stated that they will be working on that. Ryan stated that he would like to see the hump taken out of NW 2nd before we overlay, Kelly stated that he planned on zipping that out.
- 2) The Director stated that he and Nathan went to Utility for a pre-build on our new truck; it went really well and was told that we should have it in 4 to 6 weeks, they are also going to take it to Freightliner for us to have the safety recalls done.

The following claims have been reviewed and approved: