Regular Board Meeting October 13, 2026

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. 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 September 8, 2026 regular Board meeting; the minutes were approved as written.

The Clerk gave the financial report. The balance at First Interstate checking will be $889.92 after the transfer from the LGIP and the F2026 year-end bills are paid and the October 13, 2026 bills are paid; the F2026 year-end bills totaled $241,465.50 and the October 13, 2026 bills totaled $31,756.77 for a total of $273,222.27. The balance at the LGIP will be $855,491.75 after the transfer to the First Interstate checking in the amount of $273,000.00. The total road and bridge fund balance is $856,381.67.

This being the first meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the F2027 year, reorganization of the Board was discussed; a motion was made by Eric York that Ryan Henggeler remain as chairman, Eric York remain as Secretary and that Tom Allmaras remain as Treasurer; Kelly Cockerum as Director of Highways; the motion was seconded by Tom Allmaras and so carried.

New Business:

1) The Clerk informed the Board that Kelly and she will be gone on November 10th for the convention so the November Board meeting needs to be changed; after some discussion it was the decision to have the November Board meeting on November 16th at 4:00 pm.
2) Tom stated that he has been in contact with Idaho Soil & Water Conservation Commission and they told him that we should get 5 to 6 projects together to submit for some more grants. These projects can include infrastructure, culverts and bridges; he also stated that it would be best if these projects were done prior to any overlays. It was also discussed that the water should be tested for nitrate which high levels will destroy culverts which if the levels are high it would help with the grant applications. The Director stated that he is moving to aluminized vs. concrete for this reason, the aluminized has a 75 year life.

Clerks Report:

1) The Clerk stated that there was some miscommunications between Regence and our broker regarding the vision insurance being imbedded into the premium; as it turns out the vision will cost a little extra each month which will add $991.20 to our budget this year.

Director of Highways Report:

1) The Director stated that the crew has been working on asphalt work and trimming trees along with some equipment maintenance.
2) The Director presented quotes from Burke Electric and Total Electric to have lights installed in the sand shed; after some discussion, the Board decided to go with Total Electric.
3) The Director stated that the City of New Plymouth is purchasing our broom but is not interested in the Ford Ranger at this time so he asked the Board what they wanted him to

do with the Ranger. After some discussion it was decided to put it up for auction the spring.

4) The Director stated that Jim Ashley with Gem County called him asking if he could have some of the railroad crossing pads; after some discussion it was decided to get more information if we could use them before we either sale or give them to Jim.
5) The Director requested from the Board what they would like for him to do regarding the resident on SE 4th, he never picked up the certified letter regarding the illegal driveway he installed. After some discussion it was decided that our borrow ditch be reinstalled; the Director also stated that his fence is in our right-of-way so that will need to be moved as well.
6) The Director asked the Board if they would consider allowing the employees to stay at 4/10's year-round, after some discussion it was a unanimous decision of the Board that we stay with 5 day work days during the winter months.
7) The Director presented maps that he worked on to clean up the shared roads with the County that Ryan requested last month. If the County agreed, it would increase our mileage by approximately 10 miles; it was also discussed that it might make sense to take over the roads in New Plymouth as well. To accomplish this, the County Commissioner's would have to be on board with the changes; Ryan stated that he would reach out to them to see if they would be open to the idea.

The following claims have been reviewed and approved: