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## IN THE OFFICE OF THE VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CASCADE, IDAHO December 1, 2025

**PRESENT:**                   **SHERRY MAUPIN (CHAIRMAN)**  
                                  **KATLIN CALDWELL (COMMISSIONER)**  
                                  **NEAL THOMPSON (COMMISSIONER)**  
                                  **DOUGLAS MILLER (CLERK)**

Chairman, Sherry Maupin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Action Item:** Chairman Maupin presented the commissioners' agenda for December 1, 2025. Clerk, Douglas Miller requested an additional matter to the agenda and advised that there was a deadline to submit the annual juvenile justice report to the Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections on December 1, 2025. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve the commissioners' agenda for December 1, 2025, with the addition of the annual juvenile justice report. Commissioner Caldwell seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the amended commissioners' agenda for December 1, 2025.

**Action Item:** Chairman Maupin presented the commissioner meeting minutes from November 24, 2025. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve the commissioner meeting minutes from November 24, 2025. Commissioner Caldwell seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the commissioner meeting minutes from November 24, 2025.

**Action Item:** Chairman Maupin presented Resolution 26-02 Authorize the Transfer of Appropriations from General Fund Reserve to Various Budgets. Clerk, Douglas Miller provided a detailed account of the over expenditures that occurred in Fiscal Year 2025 in the amount of \$31,594.81. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve Resolution 26-02 Authorize the Transfer of Appropriations from General Fund Reserve to Various Budgets. Commissioner Caldwell seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve Resolution 26-02 Authorize the Transfer of Appropriations from General Fund Reserve to Various Budgets.

Board of County Commissioners Meeting  
December 1, 2025

**Action Item:** Chairman Maupin presented the contract for McPaws for Fiscal Year 2026. Commissioner Caldwell made a motion to approve the contract with McPaws for Fiscal Year 2026. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the contract with McPaws for Fiscal Year 2026.

**Action Item:** Treasurer, Johanna Defoort presented on a request from the Treasurer's Office to approve online payments for the Recreation Department parking passes. Recreation Director, Dave Bingaman, provided an explanation of how the process would work for the purchase of the recreation permits. Clerk, Douglas Miller, had questions regarding whether the Clerk's Office would be required to have the permits at the Clerk's Office and Recreation Director Bingaman advised that there would be a change of process and the permits would not be distributed by the Clerk's Office. Commissioner Caldwell made a motion to approve online payments for the Valley County Recreation Department. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve online payments for the Valley County Recreation Departments for permits.

**Action Item:** Road Director, Kerstin Dettrich presented the award for the TAP grant Lake Shore Drive. Commissioner Caldwell made a motion to approve the TAP Grant for Lake Shore Drive. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the TAP Grant Award for Lake Shore Drive.

**Action Item:** Road Director, Kerstin Dettrich presented the grant award for the Lake Fork Creek Bridge Rehabilitation Grant and provided a brief explanation of the award to the commissioners. The commissioners requested additional information regarding the project and Road Director, Kerstin Dettrich advised that she will obtain additional information for the commissioners to consider. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve the Lake Fork Creek Bridge Rehabilitation Grant as presented. Commissioner Caldwell seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the Lake Fork Creek Bridge Rehabilitation grant.

**Action Item:** Road Director, Kerstin Dettrich presented the commitment letter to submit regarding how Valley County will pay for the additional funds for the Abstein Bridge project. Commissioner Caldwell made a motion to approve the Chairman to sign the letter regarding how the additional funds have been identified within the Valley County Road Department Budget for the Abstein Bridge project. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the Chairman to sign the letter regarding how the additional funds have been identified within the Valley County Road Department Budget for the Abstein Bridge project.

**Action Item:** Road Director, Kerstin Dettrich presented the change order from Stroth General. Commissioner Caldwell disclosed that she had a family member doing a portion of the work but does not have a conflict of interest. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve the change order request from Stroth General as presented. Commissioner Caldwell seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve the change order request from Stroth General as presented.

**Action Item:** Chairman Maupin began the discussion regarding the department heads potentially reporting once a month to the commissioners. The commissioners deliberated on the proposal and concluded that the department heads would just present to the commissioners once a month

at the first commissioner meeting each month. Commissioner Caldwell made a motion to approve that department heads/directors would present to the commissioners once a month at the first commissioner meeting each month. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve that department heads/directors would present to the commissioners once a month at the first commissioner meeting each month.

**Action Item:** Chairman Maupin began the discussion related to clarifying the funding to the West Central Mountain Economic Development Council for hazard resiliency plan and use additional funds to complete the work for Boise State University community meetings. She explained that Valley County made a \$10,000 contribution to the West Central Mountain Economic Development Council and they are asking to be able to utilize those funds towards the hazard resiliency plan. The request is to redirect the \$10,000 to complete the resource management plan. Chairman Maupin believed that it would take \$5,000 of the committed \$10,000 to complete the resource management plan. The commissioners continued to deliberate on the request. Commissioner Caldwell had concerns regarding Boise State University being the entity completing several of the management plans and hazardous mitigation plans. Chairman Maupin provided her opinion and felt that Boise State University was qualified to complete the plans and should be focused on sustainability within Valley County. She also provided an overview of the work that had been conducted by Boise State University. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to reallocate the funds that were contributed to West Central Mountains Economic Development Council to complete the work by Boise State University. Commissioner Caldwell seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to reallocate the funds that were contributed to West Central Mountains Economic Development Council to have Boise State University complete the project by Boise State University.

Chairman Maupin began the interviews to select the Valley County Planning & Zoning Commissioner. The first applicant interviewed was Ms. Heidi Schneider and the Valley County Board of County Commissioners had the opportunity to ask Ms. Schneider questions and she responded accordingly. The next applicant interviewed was Mr. Joel Carson who was interviewed by the Valley County Board of County Commissioners. The commissioners concluded the interviews with those interested in the

The commissioners recessed for lunch at 11:44 a.m.

The commissioners returned from lunch at 1:00 p.m.

**Action Item/Public Hearing:** Chairman Maupin opened the Public Hearing at 1:00 p.m. for VAC 25-001 Zrile Vacation of Utility Easements and asked for a staff report. Planning & Zoning Director, Cynda Herrick provided a staff report to the commissioners related to VAC 25-001 Zrile Vacation of Utility Easements. Chairman Maupin asked if there was any conflict of interest or ex-parte communication. All the commissioners advised that they did not have any conflict of interest or ex-parte communication. Chairman Maupin asked to hear from the applicant and Mr. Aaron Bell who is representing the applicant presented as a proponent of VAC 25-001 Zrile Vacation of Utility Easements.

Chairman Maupin asked to hear from anyone who was undecided or an opponent. The record will reflect that there was no one present to provide testimony.

Chairman Maupin closed the public hearing at 1:05 p.m.

Commissioner Caldwell made a motion to approve VAC 25-001 Zrile Vacation of Utility Easements and accept the Planning and Zoning Commission Facts and Conclusions as our own. Also moved to approve Resolution No. 2026-04 Declaration of Vacation of Utility Easements. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve VAC 25-001 Zrile Vacation of Utility Easements and Resolution No. 2026-24.

**Action Item/Public Hearing:** Chairman Maupin opened the Public Hearing at 1:17 p.m. for Valley County Comprehensive Plan updates and Ordinance 2025-07 Valley County Code Amendments and requested the Planning & Zoning Director, Cynda Herrick provide a staff report.

Planning & Zoning Director, Cynda Herrick provided a staff report to the commissioners regarding Valley County Comprehensive plan and the work that was completed. She also presented to the commissioners the responses that had been received by several individuals and organizations. She also presented the requirements under Idaho Code. Planning & Zoning Director Herrick also presented additional comments that had been received from specific individuals which were submitted prior to the public hearing. She further presented to the commissioners the work that was conducted over the years to update the comprehensive plan by the Valley County Planning & Zoning Commission meeting.

Chairman Maupin open the public hearing for public comments and asked to hear from those individuals that were proponents of the proposed updated Valley County Comprehensive Plan.

The record will reflect that there was no testimony from proponents.

Chairman Maupin asked to hear public comments from those individuals that were uncommitted.

The record will reflect that there was no testimony from individuals who were uncommitted.

Chairman Maupin asked to hear public comments from those individuals who were opposed to the updated Valley County Comprehensive plan.

The first individual to present in opposition to the proposed updated Valley County Comprehensive Plan to the commissioners was McCall City Mayor, Bob Giles.

City of McCall Community & Economic Development Director, Michelle Groenvelt provided testimony to the commissioners in opposition to the proposed updated Valley County Comprehensive Plan.

Ms. Patsy Kelly provided testimony to the commissioners regarding the proposed updated Valley County Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Eric Gisler, who resides in McCall, Idaho, provided testimony to the commissioners in opposition to the proposed updated Valley County Comprehensive Plan.

Ms. Liz Rucola, who resides in McCall, Idaho, provided testimony to the commissioners in opposition to the proposed updated Valley County Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Robert Bryant, who resides in Valley County, provided testimony to the commissioners in opposition to the proposed updated Valley County Comprehensive Plan.

Ms. Patty Young, who resides in Valley County, provided testimony to the commissioners in opposition to the proposed updated Valley County Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Eric Young, who resides in McCall, Idaho, provided testimony to the commissioners in opposition to the proposed updated Valley County Comprehensive Plan.

Ms. Diane Kushland provided testimony to the commissioners in opposition to the proposed updated Valley County Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Dan Ostermiller, who resides in McCall, Idaho, provided testimony to the commissioners in opposition to the proposed updated Valley County Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. David McQuaid, who resides in McCall, Idaho, provided testimony to the commissioners regarding growth and the road department.

Ms. Augusta Laidlaw, who resides in McCall, Idaho, provided testimony to the commissioners in opposition to the proposed updated Valley County Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Andy Laidlaw, who resides in McCall, Idaho, provided testimony to the commissioners in opposition to the proposed updated Valley County Comprehensive Plan and discussed the current zoning laws.

Ms. Debbie Fereday, who resides in McCall, Idaho, provided testimony to the commissioners in opposition to the proposed updated Valley County Comprehensive Plan and requested the importance of allowing the public to engage in the process of developing a plan.

Mr. Marshall Haynes, who resides in Valley County, provided testimony to the commissioners in opposition to the proposed updated Valley County Comprehensive Plan.

Ms. Jeannie Carpentier, who resides in Valley County, provided testimony to the commissioners in opposition to the proposed updated Valley County Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Jim Balkins, who resides in Valley County, provided testimony to the commissioners in opposition to the proposed updated Valley County Comprehensive Plan.

Ms. Judy Anderson, who resides in Lake Fork, provided testimony to the commissioners in opposition to the proposed updated Valley County Comprehensive Plan and concerns regarding matters that are lacking within the updated plan. She made specific recommendations to the commissioners regarding wording for the proposed updated plan. She also felt that there needed to be definite zoning laws.

Chairman Maupin closed the Public Hearing at 2:28 p.m. for deliberations and the commissioners provided their opinions. Commissioner Thompson provided his opinion during the time for deliberations. Commissioner Caldwell provided her opinion during the time for

deliberations and advised that she did hear from the community regarding the request to be involved and engagement from the community. She advised that the work on the updated comprehensive plan has been going on since 2021 and described the organizations that had been consulted with regarding the updated plan. She advised that she heard concerns about zoning and believed that there would be separate public hearing. She submitted that read and heard all the comments that had been received from the public. She concluded she was in favor of the proposed updated Valley County Comprehensive Plan. Chairman Maupin provided her opinion and made it well known that she was in favor of specific zoning requirements within Valley County. She agreed that the planning and zoning process should look at regional planning and Valley County should hire a consultant to assist with the process. She reiterated that the commissioners do hear take into consideration the comments that had been submitted to the commissioners. She specifically discussed the request to have a building moratorium and explained the reasons that building moratorium has specific requirements. She addressed concerns regarding funding of the Valley County Road Department. She presented on the work that a commissioner does but wanted to assure the public that the commissioners do review the letters that are received and the testimony that is presented. She listed several other recommendations that were submitted to the commissioners during the public hearing and agreed that there were insightful recommendations that should be considered. She agreed that Valley County needed to have more community engagement specifically regarding future zoning. Planning & Zoning Director, Cynda Herrick requested additional clarification regarding specific modifications within the proposed updated. The recommended changes from the Planning and Zoning Commission were for on page 95 insert "each city's future land use maps should be considered when making decision, being in 2026, all three impact areas will be administered by Valley County and governed by the Valley County Comprehensive Plan and Valley County Ordinance, Page 44 insert under Goal 1, "Consider each communities adopted Master Transportation Plans", update to the future land use map as desired by Vicki Millier, making the N in LN a little greener.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to accept Resolution 2026-03 Valley County Comprehensive Plan Updates. Commissioner Caldwell seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to accept Resolution 2026-03 Valley County Comprehensive Plan Updates.

Commissioner Caldwell made a motion to approve Ordinance 2025-07 Valley County Code Amendments. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed to approve Ordinance 2025-07 Valley County Code Amendments.

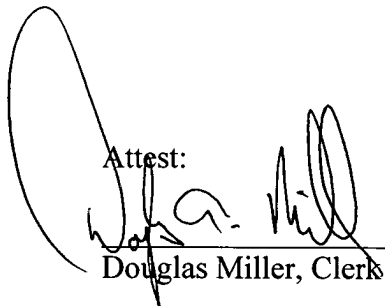
Chairman Maupin began the workshop related to the best use of the office space at the Valley County Courthouse and the external buildings. Sheriff, Kevin Copperi presented to the commissioners that there was discussion with the Assessor, Sue Leeper to have a hybrid model of Department of Motor Vehicle Registration and Department of Motor Vehicle for Drivers License. He provided a brief overview of the conversations that were occurring with the State of Idaho to determine if a hybrid model could occur. Sheriff Copperi shared additional thoughts about the utilization of additional offices at the courthouse by the Sheriff's Office. University of Idaho Extension Educator, Melissa Hamilton presented on the use of the existing location of the University of Idaho Extension Office. Mr. John Lillihaug, who is a board member of the Valley Soil & Water Conservation District, provided his opinion regarding the use of the existing Valley Soil & Water Conservation District building. Ms. Durena Farr with Valley Soil & Water District provided her concerns to the commissioners regarding the use of the existing Valley Soil &

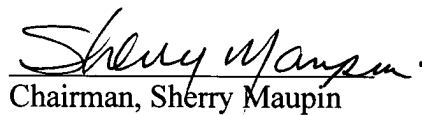
Water Conservation District house/building. Facility Director Terri Kenneda provided her concerns to the commissioners regarding the existing buildings but did advise that additional housing would be important for the employees she has. Chairman Maupin shared that employee housing was very important and provided an update of the available housing. Clerk, Douglas Miller requested an area for election equipment. Commissioner Caldwell provided her opinion regarding employee housing. Commissioner Thompson shared his opinion regarding the workshop that occurred. Chairman Maupin provided an analysis of the workshop that occurred and advised that the commissioners would revisit the opportunities to utilize the empty spaces that are available.

**Action Item:** Chairman Maupin made a motion to go into Executive Session per Idaho Code 74-206 1(f)-“To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. The mere presence of legal counsel at an executive session does not satisfy this requirement.”-Litigation Commissioner Caldwell second the motion. No further discussion, by roll call vote all commissioners voted “aye.” The commissioners went into Executive Session per Idaho Code 74-206 1(f)-Litigation at 3:36 p.m.

Chairman Maupin brought the commissioners out of Executive Session per Idaho Code 74-206 1(f)-Litigation at 4:26 p.m. Chairman Maupin advised that the commissioners were meeting regarding an open meetings violation and the commissioners would be readdressing the complaint again on December 8, 2025.

The commissioners adjourned at 4:27 p.m.

Attest:  
  
Douglas Miller, Clerk

  
Chairman, Sherry Maupin

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## VALLEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING AGENDA Monday December 1, 2025

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**PROPOSED AGENDA** Note: Any item(s) in need of a motion will be described in the agenda under the appropriate section.

9:00 **Action Item:** Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance – Approve Agenda

9:05 Commissioner Discussion

**Action Items:** Meeting Minutes of November 24, 2025

Sign Resolution 26-02 to Authorize the Transfer of Appropriations  
from General Fund Reserve to Various Budgets

Approve Contract with McPaws for Fiscal Year 2026

9:15 **Action Item:** Approve Online Payments for Recreation Department – Treasurer, Johanna Defoort

9:30 **Action Items:** Award of the TAP Grant for Lake Shore Drive  
Award of the Lake Form Bridge Rehabilitation Grant  
Abstein Bridge Letter Requirement Stating Detail on Additional Funds  
Required for Project  
Approve Change Order from Stroth General for Snow Guard Rails

9:45 **Action Item:** Discussion/Decision on Directors Reporting Once a Month

10:00 **Action Item:** Clarify Funding to the West Central Mountains Economic Development  
council for Resource Management Plan and Use Funds to Complete Work  
for Boise State University Community Meetings

11:00 **Action Item:** Valley County Planning and Zoning Commissioner Interviews

12:00 Recess for Lunch

- 1:00    **Action Item/Public Hearing:** VAC 25-001 Zrile Vacation of Utility Easements  
Resolution 26-04 Zrile Declaration of Vacation
- 1:15    **Action Item/Public Hearing:** Valley County Comprehensive Plan Updates (Resolution  
2026-03) and Ordinance. 2025-07 Valley County Code  
Amendments
- 3:00    Opportunity for Public to Present to Commissioners
- 3:00    Workshop to Discuss Best Use of Office Space at Valley County Courthouse and  
External Buildings
- 4:00    **Action Item:** Executive Session per Idaho Code 74-206 1(f)- To communicate with legal  
counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for  
pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be  
litigated. The mere presence of legal counsel at an executive session does not satisfy this  
requirement.”-Litigation.

Adjourn

COMMISSIONER’S FUTURE MEETING DATE

Monday December 8, 2025