

**JOINT PROCEEDINGS
TOWN COUNCIL AND BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

JANUARY 5, 2026

JACKSON, WYOMING

The Jackson Town Council and the Teton County Board of County Commissioners met in a regular joint meeting (JM) at 1:30 p.m. in the Town Council Chambers located at 150 East Pearl Avenue in Jackson. This meeting was held in-person and through the Zoom platform. Upon roll call the following were found to be present:

TOWN COUNCIL: Mayor Arne Jorgensen, Devon Viehman, Kevin Regan, and Alyson Sperry. Jonathan Schechter was absent.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS: Chair Mark Newcomb, Wes Gardner, Luther Propst, Natalia Macker, and Len Carlman.

STAFF: Tyler Sinclair, David Garcia, Lea Colasuonno, Jodie Pond, Paul Anthony, Chris Neubecker, Johnny Ziem, Russ Russchill, Susan Scarlata, and Riley Hovorka. *Via Zoom*: Charlotte Frei, Roxanne Robinson, Tanya Anderson, Tyler Valentine, and Brian Schilling.

Public Comment. Dale Hoyt made public comment.

Consent Calendar. There was no public comment on the consent calendar. On behalf of the Town, a motion was made by Devon Viehman and seconded by Kevin Regan to approve the consent calendar including item A as presented with the following motion. On behalf of the County, a motion was made by Natalia Macker and seconded by Len Carlman to approve the consent calendar including item A as presented with the following motion.

A. **Meeting Minutes.** To approve meeting minutes from the December 1, 2025 Regular Joint Meeting and December 8, 2025 Special Joint Meeting.

On behalf of the Town, Mayor Jorgensen called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried for the Town.

On behalf of the County, Chair Newcomb called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried for the County.

Comprehensive Plan Scoping – Consultant for Initial Engagement Work. Ryan Hostetter, Tyler Sinclair, Paul Anthony, and Chris Neubecker made staff comment. Council and Commission held discussion with staff. There was no public comment. On behalf of the Town, a motion was made by Devon Viehman and seconded by Kevin Regan to direct staff to prepare and release a Request for Proposals to hire a consultant in FY27 to assist staff with the next Comprehensive Plan Update process, the costs of which would be split according to the Joint Funding MOU between the County and the Town in effect at the same time of the contract. A friendly amendment was made to remove ‘and release’ from the motion. Devon Viehman and Kevin Regan consented to the friendly amendment. Mayor Jorgensen called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

On behalf of the County, a motion was made by Wes Gardner and seconded by Natalia Macker to direct staff to prepare a Request for Proposals to hire a consultant in FY27 to assist staff with the next Comprehensive Plan Update process, the costs of which would be split according to the Joint Funding MOU between the County and the Town in effect at the same time of the contract. Chair Newcomb called for the vote. The vote showed 3-2 with Chair Newcomb, Wes Gardner, and Natalia Macker in favor and Luther Propst and Len Carlman opposed. The motion carried.

Matters from Council, Commissioners and Staff. Council and Commission discussed the Parks & Rec funding agreement that will be presented during the next joint meeting. Council and Commission discussed pedestrian safety. Charlotte Frei and Brian Schilling made staff comment. Council and Commission discussed Safe Streets for All (SS4A) work that is already in progress. A motion was made by Alyson Sperry and seconded by Devon Viehman to direct staff to draft a letter on behalf of the County Commission and Town Council to WYDOT regarding crosswalks and pedestrian safety, and to present the draft letter to the boards prior to February 3. A friendly amendment was made to change the date to January 20. Mayor Jorgensen called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Len Carlman and seconded by Wes Gardner to direct staff to draft a letter on behalf of the County Commission and Town Council to WYDOT regarding crosswalks and pedestrian safety, and to present the draft letter to the boards prior to January 20. Chair Newcomb called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried for the County.

Executive Session. On behalf of the Town, a motion was made by Devon Viehman and seconded by Kevon Regan to recess to executive session to consider appointments to volunteer boards, specifically the appointment of a board member as a public officer, in accordance with Wyoming Statute 16-4-405(a)(ii). Mayor Jorgensen called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried for the Town.

On behalf of the County, a motion was made by Wes Gardner and seconded by Len Carlman to recess to executive session to consider appointments to volunteer boards, specifically the appointment of a board member as a public officer, in accordance with Wyoming Statute 16-4-405(a)(ii). Chair Newcomb called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried for the County.

Council and Commission recessed to executive session at 3:35pm and reconvened at 3:41pm.

On behalf of the Town, a motion was made by Devon Viehman and seconded by Alyson Spery to direct staff to open an application period for the Jackson Hole Airport Board. Mayor Jorgensen called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried for the Town.

On behalf of the County, a motion was made by Wes Gardner and seconded by Natalia Macker to direct staff to open an application period for the Jackson Hole Airport Board. Chair Newcomb called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried for the County.

Adjourn. On behalf of the Town, a motion was made by Alyson Spery and seconded by Kevin Regan to adjourn. Mayor Jorgensen called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried for the Town.

On behalf of the County, a motion was made by Luther Propst and seconded by Len Carlman to adjourn. Chair Newcomb called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried for the County. The meeting adjourned at 3:43p.m.

TOWN OF JACKSON

ATTEST:

Arne O. Jorgensen, Mayor

Riley Hovorka, Town Clerk

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