

Board of County Commissioners

Minutes of the Proceedings - Draft

Historic Courthouse
310 W 19th Street
Cheyenne, WY 82001



Thursday, June 26, 2025

6:00 PM

Commissioners Board Room

BUDGET HEARING

Roll Call/Call to Order

Present: Chairman Gunnar Malm, Vice Chairman Troy Thompson, Commissioner Linda Heath, Commissioner Ty Zwonitzer

Excused: Commissioner Don Hollingshead

1. PUBLIC HEARING on proposed amendments to the Laramie County FY25 budget.

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Attachments: [FY25 Year End Budget Amendments](#)

Stanley Walker, County Clerk finance, presented the FY25 budget amendments and noted they were properly advertised. No comments were received on the amendments. Walker said the major of amendments dealt with grants.

Chairman Malm opened the hearing for PUBLIC COMMENT. Hearing no PUBLIC COMMENT, Chairman Malm closed the hearing.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Thompson, seconded by Commissioner Heath, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Malm, Thompson, Heath, Zwonitzer

Excused: Hollingshead

2. PUBLIC HEARING and consideration of the FY26 annual budget for Laramie County.

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Attachments: [FY26 Appropriation Resolution](#)
[FY26 Budget Presentation](#)

Debra Lee, County Clerk and budget officer, introduced the Laramie County proposed budget for FY26. She commended deputy clerks Stanley Walker and Adam Christensen of the finance office for preparing a balanced budget in accordance with Wyoming statutes, generally accepted accounting principles, and funding requirements. She credited elected officials and department heads for efforts to reduce their budgets without sacrificing quality and efficiency.

Stanley Walker, County Clerk finance director, said the proposed budget totals

\$304,344,970, with 31 active funds, all but five of which are restricted by law, voter approval or resolution. He stated that county revenues come from property taxes, sales taxes, charges for services, and intergovernmental funds. Property taxes provide the largest source of revenue for the county at 41 percent, followed by intergovernmental revenue at 32 percent.

Chairman Malm opened the hearing for PUBLIC COMMENT. Hearing no PUBLIC COMMENT, Chairman Malm closed the hearing.

Commissioners applauded the work of the Clerk's finance office, the department heads, elected officials and employees. Commissioner Thompson noted that this year, commissioners held meeting with each department head and elected official to go through their draft budgets. He expressed heartfelt appreciation to the 460 employees of Laramie County as good stewards of taxpayer funds.

Commissioners Heath and Zwonitzer echoed Commissioner Thompson's comments. Commissioner Zwonitzer singled out Sandra Bay, Grants, for her work in securing funding for Laramie County projects and programs.

Chairman Malm stated the board held 17 public meetings on the budget that anyone could have attended. He said he was extremely proud of the work done. He said Laramie County has a fiscally conservative budget that has set the county up for a long and prosperous future.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Thompson, seconded by Commissioner Heath, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Malm, Thompson, Heath, Zwonitzer

Excused: Hollingshead

3. PUBLIC HEARING on the FY26 annual budget for the Laramie County Library.

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Laramie County Library System Executive Director Antonia Gaona presented the FY26 balanced budget for the Laramie County Library Board. Gaona gave an overview of the budget approved by the Library Board, accomplishments from the previous year, and what residents can expect from the library in the coming year.

Chairman Malm opened the hearing for PUBLIC COMMENT. Hearing no PUBLIC COMMENT, Chairman Malm closed the hearing.

The budget for the Laramie County Library System was received and filed.

The meeting adjourned at 6:49 pm.

Reasonable Accommodations

This information is available in alternate forms. If reasonable accommodations are required, contact Laramie County Human Resources at (307) 633-4355 or humanresources@laramiecountywy.gov at least two business days prior to the meeting. Per WS §18-3-516(f), access to county information can be obtained at laramiecountywy.gov.