



Baker County Board of Commissioners



Called Meeting
July 28th, 2026
6:00 P.M.

Connie C. Hobbs – Chairperson
Matt Bryan – Commissioner

Vann Irvin – Vice Chairman
Chris Moore – Commissioner

Tommy Rentz, Commissioner

Minutes

The Baker County Board of Commissioners and the City Council of Newton held a Called Meeting on the above date to review a proposed Intergovernmental Agreement regarding the reimposition of a one percent special purpose local option sales tax. Chair Connie Hobbs, Vice-Chair Vann Irvin, Board members Tommy Rentz, Matt Bryan, and Chris Moore, and County Manager Marie Howard were present representing the Board of Commissioners. Mayor Gary Coker, and Council members Dee Dee Hall-Burnum, Damon Deese and Bret Snow were present representing the City of Newton.

Chair Hobbs called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Moore delivered the invocation.

Chair Hobbs presented the agenda for review. Commissioner Bryan made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Commissioner Moore seconded the motion. Commissioners Irvin, Rentz, Bryan, Moore, and Hobbs all voted to approve the motion. Motion carried.

Chair Hobbs presented the proposed Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for the use and distribution of 2027 SPLOST proceeds. Commissioner Rentz made a motion on behalf of the Board of Commissioners to approve the IGA with the City of Newton as presented. Commissioner Moore seconded the motion. Commissioners Irvin, Rentz, Bryan, Moore, and Hobbs all voted to approve the motion. Motion carried. Mayor Coker presented the IGA to the City Council. Council member Burnum made a motion on behalf of the City of Newton to approve the IGA with the Baker County Board of Commissioners. Councilman Deese seconded the motion. Mayor Coker and council members Burnum, Deese and Snow all voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

Resolution 2026-0728, Reimposition of SPLOST, was presented by Chair Hobbs. Commissioner Rentz made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-0728. Commissioner Bryan seconded the motion. Commissioners Irvin, Rentz, Bryan, Moore, and Hobbs all voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

Being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Moore made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Bryan seconded the motion. Commissioners Irvin, Rentz, Bryan, Moore, and Hobbs all voted in favor of the motion. Meeting adjourned.



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Attest

Maria Howard

Clerk

Connie C. Hobbs

Chairman

Chris Moore

Tommy Rentz

Vann Irvin

