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NEWS FROM THE BOARD

A monthly newsletter from the Ada County Board of Commissioners

Welcome to the monthly newsletter from the Ada County Board of Commissioners. We are happy to share information on significant news and events in Ada County.

Ryan Davidson - Commissioner
Rod Beck - Board Chairman
Tom Dayley - Commissioner



THE PARK AT EXPO IDAHO Neighbors Attend Community Engagement Meeting

You've no doubt heard about the once-in-a-generation park being built on the Expo Idaho property. **The Park at Expo Idaho** will be completed in 2026.



In July the Ada County Commissioners hosted a Community Engagement meeting at the Expo Idaho Turf Club so neighbors could speak directly with the architects, ask questions, provide input and stay informed.



Ada County Commission Chairman Rod Beck and Commissioners Ryan Davidson and Tom Dayley were on hand to visit with neighbors about this planned regional showcase. Roughly 100 people attended the event and were able to ask questions and learn more from the architects who are making this destination park a reality.



The intricate process of designing and building a new park is lengthy. That's why we've created a page on the Ada County website to help you stay informed. You can see plans and learn about the amenities that are planned for the Park as the process evolves.

Up next! Learn more about plans for an epic All-Wheelsport Garden. Avid skaters (and anyone else) are invited to join the design team and help shape what the park, located along the Boise River Greenbelt will look like.

<https://adacounty.id.gov/commissioners/expo-idaho-project/>



ADA COUNTY GOVERNMENT



In addition to elected offices, Ada County government includes thirteen individual departments. Each department provides important services to our residents in Star, Eagle, Meridian, Boise,

Garden City, Kuna, and Unincorporated Ada County.

These services include law enforcement protection, emergency preparedness, election services, parks and waterways, public defense, indigent services, juvenile court, solid waste management, the Western Idaho Fair, Weed, Pest & Mosquito Abatement and more.

Learn more about the services provided to you by Ada County

<https://adacounty.id.gov/>

THE PARK AT EXPO IDAHO

ALL-WHEELSPORTS GARDEN COMMUNITY DESIGN MEETING

CALIFORNIA SKATE PARKS + PORT

Join the Design Team to help shape the upcoming plans for the All-Wheelsports Garden at The Park at Expo Idaho. We want to hear your ideas for this new, public skatepark along the Boise River Greenbelt.

TELL US WHAT YOU
WANT TO SEE HERE!

**AUGUST 10, 6-7:30 PM AT
THE TURF CLUB AT EXPO IDAHO**

5610 N Glenwood Street
Garden City, ID 83714



FY24 BUDGET PRESENTATION

On July 25, 2023 Ada County Clerk Trent Tripple presented the proposed FY24 budget to the Ada County Commissioners. You can watch the presentation on Ada County's YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@adacountyidaho7995/streams>

A vote on the FY24 Ada County budget is scheduled August 15th at 9:00 AM during the Board's Open Business Meeting.

Most homeowners in Ada County will pay approximately 12% less in property taxes for the Ada County portion of their tax bill in the coming fiscal year.

To learn more about the FY24 Ada County Budget we encourage you to use the Ada County Clerk's Office award winning Budget Explorer tool. <https://adacounty.id.gov/clerk/budget-finance/>



ADA COUNTY FY24 BUDGET EXPLORER TOOL

What am I paying in property taxes for Ada County services?

Home Value (2023 tax assessment) ^a	Home Owner's Exemption
\$438,200	Yes

^aMedian home value in Ada County for 2023 was \$438,200

\$556.02
property tax bill for Ada County Services*

*This estimate can include Pest and Mosquito Abatement Districts which doesn't cover all of Ada County.

Need to sign up for the home owners exemption?
[Click here to learn more](#)

See exactly how your Ada County tax dollars are spent

<https://adacounty.id.gov/clerk/fy24-budget-explorer/>



David Hayward Recognized for 30 years of outstanding service to Ada County Weed Pest and Mosquito Abatement

Doing anything for 30 years says a lot about a person. Working somewhere for 30 years says a lot about a place. We are so honored to recognize David Hayward for 30 years of service to Ada County Weed, Pest and Mosquito Abatement. “I believe in loyalty,” Dave says, and he certainly has been a loyal, valuable, and well-liked employee who everyone says is just a great person to be around.



Prior to working for Ada County, David served for 16 years in the National Guard before being honorably discharged. In the winter of 1993, David left his job framing houses to work with his dad on a gopher crew based in Eagle. He was quickly offered a mechanic position with Ada County Weed and Pest Abatement that utilized his background in maintenance from the Military.

David performed maintenance on the vehicles and helped as a Weed Control Applicator. When the Ada County Mosquito Abatement District joined the agency in 2005, David’s role changed to reflect his current position as the Facility/Inventory Specialist, focusing on keeping inventory, ordering products, and handling product dispersal in applicators’ lockers.

David greatly appreciates all the people he has gotten to work with over the years. Though the technology is always changing, he is impressed by his colleagues’ willingness to go out and do the work to minimize problems from noxious weeds, pests, and mosquitoes throughout Ada County. The accomplishment David is most proud of is reaching 30 years of service with Ada County Weed, Pest and Mosquito Abatement because, as he explains, “I believe in loyalty. The people that I have worked with have been loyal to me, and I have tried my best to be loyal in return. The county has been very good to me.”

Thank you to Sam Brockway at Weed Pest and Mosquito Abatement for the warm write-up about David.



ACHD HOSTS JOINT MEETING WITH ADA COUNTY

Ada County Commissioners Ryan Davidson, Chairman Rod Beck and Tom Dayley met in Garden City with ACHD's five elected commissioners in July. The joint meeting was an opportunity for the two political entities to collaborate on issues affecting Ada County motorists, pedestrians and cyclists – anyone who uses Ada County roadways. Included in the discussion was an update on Chip Sealing in our area.



Also discussed at the joint meeting - HB237 which the Idaho legislature passed this year that requires highway district property tax funds to be primarily for cars.

Did you know that Ada County, and the [Ada County Highway District \(ACHD\)](#) are two totally separate political entities, with their own elected officials? Ada County is the seat of government in the county. ACHD on the other hand plans, designs, and manages roads throughout Ada County including each of Ada's six sister cities – Star, Eagle, Meridian, Garden City, Boise and Kuna.

ACHD is the only political entity of its kind in the country. While that can be confusing at first to people who have recently moved to our area – ACHD has been in existence since 1972.



COMING UP!

You can watch the Ada County Board of Commissioner's weekly Open Business Meeting on YouTube.

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