What is the difference between an Ordinance and a Resolution?
An Ordinance is defined in Idaho Code:

- IC 31-714
- IC 31-715
- IC 31-715A
- IC 31-716
31-714. ORDINANCES — PENALTIES. The board of county commissioners may pass all ordinances and rules and make all regulations, not repugnant to law, necessary for carrying into effect or discharging the powers and duties conferred by the laws of the state of Idaho, and such as are necessary or proper to provide for the safety, promote the health and prosperity, improve the morals, peace and good order, comfort and convenience of the county and the inhabitants thereof, and for the protection of property therein, and may enforce obedience to such ordinances with such fines or penalties, including infraction penalties, as the board may deem proper; provided, that the punishment of any offense shall be by fine of not more than one thousand dollars ($1,000) or by imprisonment not to exceed six (6) months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.
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31-715. STYLE OF ORDINANCES — WHEN EFFECTIVE — PUBLICATION. The style of all ordinances shall be: "Be it ordained by the board of county commissioners of .... county, Idaho"; and all ordinances of a general nature shall, before they take effect and within one (1) month after they are passed, be published in at least one (1) issue of a newspaper published in the county, but if no paper be published in the county, then in some paper having general circulation therein; provided, however, that in cases of riot, infectious or contagious diseases, or other impending danger requiring its immediate operation, such ordinances shall take effect upon the proclamation of the board of county commissioners, posted in at least five (5) public places in the county; provided further that whenever a revision or codification of ordinances is made and the revised or codified ordinances are published by authority of the board of county commissioners in book or pamphlet form no further publication thereof shall be deemed necessary, provided that when codes establishing rules and regulations for the construction, alteration or repair of buildings, the installation of plumbing, the installation of electric wiring, sanitary regulations or health measures, or other related or similar work, have been regularly adopted as a code by such board, they shall take effect without publication or posting thereof if reference be made to such code in a regularly adopted and published ordinance without including in such regularly adopted and published ordinance more than a particular reference to such code, provided, however, that one (1) copy of such code duly certified by the clerk of the board of county commissioners shall have been filed for use and examination by the public in the office of the clerk of the board of county commissioners prior to the adoption of said ordinance by the clerk of the board of county commissioners, and thereafter kept on file in such office.
Idaho Code 31-715A

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31-715A. SUMMARIZATION OF ORDINANCES PERMITTED — REQUIREMENTS. (1) The county may publish a summary of the ordinance which summary shall be approved by the board of county commissioners and which shall include:

• (a) The name of the county;
• (b) The formal identification or citation number of the ordinance;
• (c) A descriptive title;
• (d) A summary of the principal provisions of the ordinance, including penalties provided and the effective date;
• (e) Any other information necessary to provide an accurate summary; and
• (f) A statement that the full text is available and the name, location, and office hours of the agency where a complete copy may be obtained.

• (2) Subsection (1) of this section notwithstanding, whenever any publication is made under this section and the proposed or adopted ordinance contains legal descriptions, or contains provisions regarding taxation or penalties concerning real property, then the sections containing this matter shall be published in full and shall not be summarized. When a legal description of real property is involved, the notice shall also include the street address or addresses of the property described, if any. In the case of descriptions covering one or more street addresses, the street addresses of the corners of the area described shall meet this requirement. Maps may be substituted for written legal description of property provided they contain sufficient detail to clearly define the area with which the ordinance is concerned.

• (3) Before submission of a summary to a newspaper for publication under this section, the county clerk under seal of the board of county commissioners shall sign a statement, which shall be filed with the ordinance, that the summary is true and complete and provides adequate notice to the public.

• (4) The full text of any ordinance which is summarized by publication under this section shall be promptly provided to any citizen on personal request.
31-716. PROOF OF ORDINANCES. All ordinances shall be passed pursuant to such rules and regulations not inconsistent with the general laws relating thereto as the board of county commissioners may provide; and all such ordinances may be proved by the certificate of the clerk under the seal of the board of county commissioners, and when printed or published in book or pamphlet form by authority of the board of county commissioners, shall be read and received in evidence in all courts and places without further proof.
What does Idaho Code say about Resolutions?

There is not a definition for Resolutions in Idaho Code.
Westers Dictionary Definition:

• 1: the act or process of resolving: such as
  • a: the act of analyzing a complex notion into simpler ones
  • b: the act of answering: SOLVING
  • c: the act of determining
  • d: the passing of a voice part from a dissonant to a consonant tone or the progression of a chord from dissonance to consonance
  • e: the separating of a chemical compound or mixture into its constituents
  • f (1): the division of a prosodic element into its component parts
    (2): the substitution in Greek or Latin prosody of two short syllables for a long syllable
  • g: the analysis of a vector into two or more vectors of which it is the sum
• 2: the subsidence of a pathological state (such as inflammation)
• 3a: something that is resolved made a resolution to mend my ways
  • b: firmness of resolve
• 4: a formal expression of opinion, will, or intent voted by an official body or assembled group
• 5: the point in a literary work at which the chief dramatic complication is worked out
• 6a: the process or capability of making distinguishable the individual parts of an object, closely adjacent optical images, or sources of light
  • b: a measure of the sharpness of an image or of the fineness with which a device (such as a video display, printer, or scanner) can produce or record such an image usually expressed as the total number or density of pixels in the image a resolution of 1200 dots per inch
Legal Dictionary Definition of Resolution:

The official expression of the opinion or will of a legislative body.

The practice of submitting and voting on a resolution is typically part of business of Congress, state legislatures, and other public assembles. These bodies use resolutions for two purposes. First, resolutions express their consensus on matters of public policy. Lawmakers routinely deliver criticism or support on a broad range of social issues, legal rights, court opinions, and even decision by the Executive Branch. Second, they pass resolutions for internal, administrative purposes. Resolutions are not laws, they differ fundamentally in their purpose. However, under certain circumstances resolutions can have the effect of law. (West’s Encyclopedia of American Law edition 2)
When do we use Ordinances?

When establishing Law for the County.
ORDINANCE NO. 2016-01

AN ORDINANCE, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2008-05, WHICH PROVIDES FOR THE TEMPORARY NON-MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO INDIENT PERSONS, PLACING LIMITS THEREON, ESTABLISHING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES THEREFORE, AND PROVIDING THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF.

WHEREAS IDAHO CODE requires counties to provide temporary non-medical assistance in temporary situations to indigent persons, and

WHEREAS IDAHO CODE further requires counties to promulgate policies and procedures for the provisions of such non-medical assistance.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FREMONT COUNTY, IDAHO, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. NON-MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

A. Pursuant to the mandate of Idaho Law, Fremont County, Idaho shall provide temporary non-medical assistance to indigent persons in temporary situations, only where no alternative exists. County assistance in this area shall not be provided on a continuing basis.

B. The non-medical assistance in this area shall be provided by Fremont County and is limited to FOOD VOUCHERS, SHELTER, UTILITIES, AND BURIALS OR CREMATIONS.

SECTION 2. DEFINITION

A. The terms used herein, shall be defined as set out in Idaho Code § 31-3403, except as otherwise set out below.

B. TEMPORARY means one instance of assistance, in each area of assistance, provided during the county's fiscal year.

SECTION 3. LIMITATIONS

A. FOOD: Fremont County will provide food assistance of FOOD VOUCHERS, by providing a Ten Dollar ($10.00), which assistance shall be provided not more than once in the current fiscal year.

B. SHELTER: Fremont County will provide shelter assistance, by paying a rent or mortgage payment in the amount not to exceed Four Hundred Dollars ($400.00), which assistance shall be provided not more than once in the current fiscal year. EXCEPTION: Fremont County will not pay a first month's rent to enable a person persons to establish residency in Fremont County.

C. UTILITIES: Fremont County will provide utilities assistance, including electricity, water, and gas, in a total amount not to exceed Three Hundred Dollars ($300.00), which assistance shall be provided not more than once in the current fiscal year.

D. BURIALS/CREMATIONS: Fremont County will provide burial or cremation assistance, by whichever means is less expensive, in an amount not to exceed One Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars ($1,500.00).

SECTION 4. DURATION OF ASSISTANCE

Non-medical assistance shall be provided not more than one (1) month in the aggregate in any twelve (12) month period. Assistance provided in any Idaho county shall apply to the (1) month period.

The board reserves the right to determine the length of additional eligibility or additional assistance based upon documentation submitted to them.

SECTION 5. PROCEDURE

The procedure to be followed for the application, hearing, granting, and denial of request for non-medical indigent aid, shall be as set out by Idaho Code § 31-3401 et. seq.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon publication, all as provided by law.

Approved by the Board of County Commissioners on the 5th day of October, 2015.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FREMONT COUNTY, IDAHO

[Signature]
JORDON STODDARD, CHAIRMAN

ATTACH:
SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 2016-01

On the 5th day of October, 2015, the Board of County Commissioners of Fremont County, Idaho, passed Ordinance no. 2016-01, the title of which is "AN ORDINANCE, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2008-05". A summary of the provisions of that ordinance are as follows:

- Amends Ordinance No. 2008-05 by replacing Food with Food Vouchers and removing Commodities.

Finally adopted, passed, approved, and ordered published by title and summary, with any amendments, by the Board of Commissioners of Fremont County upon a motion duly made, seconded, and passed at its meeting on the 5th day of October, 2015.

The full text of this Ordinance is available in the Fremont County Clerk's Office, Fremont County Courthouse, 151 West 1st North, St. Anthony, Idaho 83445, between the hours of 8 AM and 5 PM, Monday through Friday, except for holidays.

I hereby certify that the above is a true and complete summary of Fremont County Ordinance No. 2016-01, and provides adequate notice to the public of the provisions of said ordinance.

Dated this 5th day of October, 2015.

ATTEST:

[Signature]

Lori Lewis, Chief Deputy Clerk

[Seal]
When do we use a Resolution?

When adopting internal policies and procedures.
A RESOLUTION ORDERING DESTRUCTION OF COUNTY ELECTION RECORDS MAINTAINED BY THE
FREMONT COUNTY CLERK'S ELECTION OFFICE.

WHEREAS, Abbie Mace, Fremont County Clerk for Fremont County, Idaho, has conducted an
audit of certain records being retained by the Fremont County Clerk's Election office;

WHEREAS, the audit identifies a detailed list of records shown in Exhibit 'A' as defined by the
provisions of Idaho Code section 34-217 and Fremont County Resolution 2013-07;

WHEREAS, the board of county commissioners of Fremont County, Idaho believes it is in the
best interest of the county to destroy the above-identified records.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the detailed list of records, attached hereto and
incorporated herein by this reference as Exhibit 'A', currently being retained by the Fremont County,
Idaho, Clerk's Election Office be destroyed in accordance with the requirements of Idaho Code 34-217
and Fremont County Resolution 2013-07.

ADOPTED THIS 8th DAY OF March, 2018, BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS OF FREMONT COUNTY, IDAHO; AND MADE EFFECTIVE UPON ADOPTION.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FREMONT, IDAHO

[Signature]
Jordon Stoddard, Chairman

ATTEST:
[Signature]
Abbie Mace, Clerk

Exhibit "A"

03/08/2016 Voted Ballots
03/08/2016 Unvoted Ballots
03/08/2016 L&A Testing for DS200 and Express Votes
2014 Election preparation materials
2015 Election preparation materials
2004, 2006 automated tabulation election log
2006, 2007 Machine maintenance logs
2006 Election preparation materials
2006 L&A Testing for M150
Inactive registration cards older than 5 years
Election Correspondence older than 2 years
Questions?