

STATE OF IDAHO)
COUNTY OF BONNER)
CITY OF PRIEST RIVER)

MINUTES OF THE PRIEST RIVER CITY COUNCIL – 01/05/26

REGULAR MEETING

OPENING – Mayor Connolly called to order the special meeting of the City Council at 6:00 pm on Monday, January 5, 2026, at the Priest River City Hall Council Chambers, 552 High Street, Priest River, Idaho.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ROLL CALL

Council Members Present: Council President Turner, Council Member Mullaley, Council Member Wagner, and Council Member Brower. Absent: None.

Staff Present: Mayor Connolly, City Clerk/Treasurer Thomas, City Attorney Elsaesser, Director of Utility Operations Sifford, and Planning and Zoning Administrator Gabell.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

A. PREVIOUS MINUTES – CC 12/15/25

B. PAYABLES

Council Member Mullaley made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Brower seconded the motion. After discussion and consideration, the motion passed unanimously.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS/APPOINTMENTS

A. CITY COUNCIL – CERTIFICATES OF ELECTION

1. CANDY TURNER – OATH OF OFFICE

City Clerk/Treasurer Thomas swore in Candy Turner as a Council Member and presented her with a certificate of election.

2. BILLY MULLALEY – OATH OF OFFICE

City Clerk/Treasurer Thomas swore in Billy Mullaley as a Council Member and presented him with a certificate of election.

B. ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Council Member Mullaley made a motion to elect Council Member Turner as Council President. Council Member Brower seconded the motion. After consideration, the motion passed by the following vote: AYES: Council Member Brower, Council Member Mullaley, and Council Member Wagner. NAYS: None. ABSTAINERS: Council Member Turner. ABSENT: None.

5. UPDATES

A. PARKS AND TREE COMMISSION

A Parks and Tree Commission meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, January 13, 2026, at 1:00 pm.

1. TWO RIVERS PARK UPDATE

Jim Martin provided a written update regarding Two Rivers Park. Discussion ensued.

B. LAW ENFORCEMENT

None

C. PUBLIC WORKS

Director of Utility Operations Sifford provided a written update on Public Works.

Mayor Connolly gave an update on Public Works.

D. PROJECT UPDATES

Various project updates were given.

E. BUILDING & ZONING

Planning and Zoning Administrator Gabell gave an update on Building & Zoning.

1. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE – DISCUSSION REGARDING HAZARDOUS AREAS AND SPECIAL AREAS OR SITES COMPONENTS

Discussion ensued regarding the draft hazardous areas and special areas or sites components of the comprehensive plan update.

6. BUSINESS

A. IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT – MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING – STATE HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

Discussion ensued.

Council Member Brower made a motion to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Idaho Transportation Department for State Highway Maintenance. Council Member Mullaley seconded the motion. After consideration and discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

B. RESOLUTION 26-001 – STATE INVESTMENT POOL TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Discussion ensued.

Council Member Turner made a motion to approve Resolution 26-001. Council Member Mullaley seconded the motion. After consideration and discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None

ADJOURN:

Council Member Mullaley made a motion to adjourn at 6:26 pm. Council Member Brower seconded the motion. After consideration, the motion passed unanimously.

Motion to approve minutes of 01/05/26: _____

Second: _____

SIGNED:

ATTEST:

Jeff Connolly
Mayor

Laurel Thomas, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer