

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

## **MINUTES OF THE PRIEST RIVER CITY COUNCIL – 12/15/25**

### **REGULAR MEETING**

**OPENING** – Mayor Connolly called to order the special meeting of the City Council at 6:00 pm on Monday, December 15, 2025, 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, and Planning and Zoning Administrator Gabell.

#### **3. CONSENT AGENDA**

##### **A. PREVIOUS MINUTES – CC 12/02/25**

##### **B. PAYABLES**

##### **C. MONTHLY RESERVE TRANSFER – NOVEMBER 2025**

##### **D. TREASURER’S MONTHLY REPORT – NOVEMBER 2025**

##### **E. RESOLUTION 25-062 – CODE ENFORCEMENT POLICY & PROCEDURE AND BUILDING PERMIT POLICY & PROCEDURE**

Council Member Mullaley made a motion to approve the consent agenda with the addition of payment to Mountain Home Auto Ranch for a 2026 Dodge Durango police vehicle. Council Member Turner seconded the motion. After discussion and consideration, the motion passed unanimously.

#### **4. ANNOUNCEMENTS/APPOINTMENTS**

##### **A. BUILDING & ZONING ASSISTANT LYNDA AYERS – 15 YEARS OF SERVICE**

Mayor Connolly presented Building & Zoning Assistant Lynda Ayers with a plaque and thanked her for 15 years of service.

Mayor Connolly addressed the forecasted windstorm and advised the public to be prepared.

#### **5. UPDATES**

##### **A. PARKS AND TREE COMMISSION**

##### **1. TWO RIVERS PARK – STANCRAFT DESIGN PROCESS UPDATE**

Jim Martin gave an update regarding the shoreline permit and amendments to the environmental covenant. Nelson Erickson from StanCraft was in attendance to present a design update to the Mayor and Council. Lengthy 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**

**1. WELCH COMER – PROJECT STATUS UPDATE**

Welch Comer provided a written project status update.  
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 INTRO, PROPERTY RIGHTS, POPULATION, AND PUBLIC AIRPORT FACILITY COMPONENTS**

Discussion ensued regarding the draft intro, property rights, population, and public airport facility components of the comprehensive plan update.

**6. BUSINESS**

**A. RIVER PARK PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT – FINAL PLAT TIME EXTENSION REQUEST**

Discussion ensued.

**Council Member Brower made a motion to approve a one-year extension to the final plat deadline for File #2023-009, ‘River Park,’ extending the required completion and recording date to January 16, 2027. Council Member Turner seconded the motion. After consideration and discussion, the motion passed unanimously.**

**7. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

**Dick Chase**, 69 Saccs Lane, informed the Council that he filed a complaint against his neighbor’s property and was told by the Police Chief and Code Enforcement Officer that they sent them a letter but wouldn’t enter their property to see the full extent of alleged violations. He asked that the City enforce the codes.

**ADJOURN:**

**Council Member Mullaley made a motion to adjourn at 6:46 pm. Council Member Turner seconded the motion. After consideration, the motion passed unanimously.**

Motion to approve minutes of 12/15/25: \_\_\_\_\_

Second: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNED:

ATTEST:

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Jeff Connolly  
Mayor

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Laurel Thomas, CMC  
City Clerk/Treasurer