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## CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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**1. Call to Order.**

The regular meeting of the St. Maries City Council was called to order by Mayor Tom Carver at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, October 27, 2025, in Council Chambers at City Hall, 602 College Avenue, St. Maries, Idaho.

**2. Roll Call.**

PRESENT

Mayor, Tom Carver

Councilors, Steve Dorendorf, Sabrina Powell, Charles Winter, Doug Ryan, Ed Spooner, Tina Thomson

**3. Pledge of Allegiance.**

Mayor Carver led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. Executive Session §74-206(1)(f)**

Motion to convene in executive session pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206(1)(f) To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated.

**Result:** Passed

**Moved By:** Dorendorf

**Seconded by:** Spooner

**Voted Yes:** Dorendorf, Powell, Winter, Ryan, Spooner, Thomson

The Mayor announced that those not participating in the executive session were asked to please exit the room. An executive session was held, as noted above.

The Executive Session ended, and the regular session was reconvened at 6:02 PM.

**5. CSRBA Water Adjudication Mediated Settlement Agreement. – action item**

Motion to approve the agreement for execution when that document is ready.

**Result:** Passed

**Moved By:** Dorendorf

**Seconded by:** Ryan

**Voted Yes:** Dorendorf, Powell, Winter, Ryan, Spooner, Thomson

**6. Consent Calendar – none.**

**7. Old Business – none.**

**8. New Business**

**a. Chamber of Commerce, Christmas in St. Maries:**

**• Request for street closure and fee waiver. – action item**

Motion to approve street closure and waive fees for event.

**Result:** Passed

**Moved By:** Ryan

**Seconded by:** Powell

**Voted Yes:** Dorendorf, Powell, Winter, Ryan, Spooner, Thomson

**• Special Exemption Permit. – action item**

Motion to approve the special exemption permit for the event.

**Result:** Passed

**Moved By:** Dorendorf

**Seconded by:** Ryan

**Voted Yes:** Dorendorf, Powell, Ryan, Spooner, Thomson

**Abstain:** Winter

b. **BetterCare, INC., Winter Gala:**

- **Request for Fee Waiver for Cormana Building. – action item**

Motion to approve fee waiver.

**Result:** Passed  
**Moved By:** Ryan  
**Seconded by:** Dorendorf  
**Voted Yes:** Dorendorf, Powell, Winter, Ryan, Spooner, Thomson

- **Special Exemption Permit. – action item**

Motion to approve the special exemption permit.

**Result:** Passed  
**Moved By:** Dorendorf  
**Seconded by:** Ryan  
**Voted Yes:** Dorendorf, Powell, Winter, Ryan, Spooner, Thomson

c. **Benewah County Contract for Prosecution Services FY2026. – action item**

Mariah Dunham, Benewah County Prosecutor, explains that the County Prosecution Office will handle any state misdemeanors and/or infractions committed within city limits for the St. Maries Police Department

Motion to approve the Benewah County Contract for Prosecution Services for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

**Result:** Passed  
**Moved By:** Dorendorf  
**Seconded by:** Ryan  
**Voted Yes:** Dorendorf, Powell, Winter, Ryan, Thomson  
**Voted No:** Spooner

9. **Reports and Communications**

a. **Mayor's Update.**

No Updates.

b. **City Council Comments.**

Steve Dorendorf stated that he is not running this coming year and thanked those who supported his current term and encourages those to vote.

Sabrina Powell, thanks the candidates who show up to meetings.

Charles Winter encourages everyone to vote.

Doug Ryan, thanks Steve Dorendorf for serving on the Council and enjoyed workign with him

Ed Spooner, also thanks Steve Dorendorf for being active and a part of the City Council. Also stated that he is not voting "No" for prosecution services but have unanswered questions.

Tina Thomson, thanks Steve Dorendorf for his time on Council and mentions to enjoy retirement.

c. **Public Works Director's Update.**

Shiloh Pfeiffer, Public Works Director, states he has been trying to determine whether Jefferson Avenue, east of 1<sup>st</sup> Street, near IGA is their responsibility or the City's regarding asphalt cuts. Since the City did cut the asphalt, the City has fixed it.

Pfeiffer and Police Chief, Scott Castles, have been working together to find out a way to get notified and to check the snow levels within City limits for plowing reasons.

d. **Police Update.**

No updates.

e. **Building Official Update.**

Jacob Parsons, states that he is pretty excited about the next commercial business that opened over the weekend.

**10. Public Comments**

Mayor Carver recited the rules and procedures for public comment, followed by an opportunity for comments from the public regarding items included on the agenda and other topics relevant to the business of the City of St. Maries. Information only; no Council action.


Jerry Paramely, one of the three candidates for Mayor, wishes Carver and Thomson luck on election day. Paramley states that whoever is elected next week should stay in contact with PotlatchDeltic due to the recent news of them merging with Rayonier.

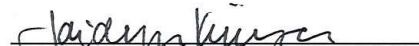
Aaron Nelson, fundraiser next Saturday for Hopes Haven. Trunk or Treat will be this Friday on 6<sup>th</sup> Street to 10<sup>th</sup> Street on Main Avenue.

**11. Adjourn.**

With no further business on the agenda, the meeting was reconvened and adjourned at 6:33 PM.

I presided over this meeting and can confirm that the foregoing minutes, prepared by the City Clerk, were approved by City Council during their regular meeting held on November 10, 2025.

  
Tom Carver, Mayor

  
Attest: Jaidyn Kinzer, City Clerk