
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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, August 11, 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. Consent Calendar – action item

Mayor Carver noted for the record the amount of expenses presented for payment approval, as shown below.

- a. Approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting on July 14, 2025 and July 28, 2025, and the Budget Workshop minutes from July 21, 2025, July 24, 2025, and July 28, 2025.
- b. Approve the expenses in the amount of \$327,473.38 from July 2025.
- c. Approve Treasurers Report for July 2025.

Motion to approve the consent calendar as presented.

Result: Passed

Moved By: Dorendorf

Seconded by: Ryan

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

5. Old Business

a. Resolution No. 2025-352 ; Drug and Alcohol Policy. – action item

Motion to approve Resolution No. 2025-352; Drug and Alcohol Policy, with changes to pre-employment probation period including an EAP program certification.

Result: Passed

Moved By: Dorendorf

Seconded by: Spooner

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

Voted No: Thomson

b. Cyber Operations and Resilience Program Capstone Agreement. – action item

Motion to approve City Attorney, Terrun Zolmans, proposed and revised Cyber Operations and Resilience Program Capstone Agreement.

Result: Passed

Moved By: Ryan

Seconded by: Dorendorf

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

6. New Business

a. Property Tax Increase – 3%. – action item

Celia Sibert, City Treasurer, proposed an increase to property tax of 3%.

Motion to approve property tax increase of 3%.

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

b. Set Public Hearing on Garbage Rate Increases. – action item

Celia Sibert, City Treasurer, discussed the increased costs associated with garbage fees charged by Benewah County and proposed an increase of \$5.00 for residential garbage rates.

Motion to set a public hearing on garbage rate increases on August 25, 2025 at 5:30 PM.

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

c. Accept Proposed Budget and Set Public Hearing. - action item

Motion to approve the proposed budget at set a public hearing on August 25, 2025 at 5:30 PM.

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

d. Special Exemption Permits:

- **Korner Klub – 803 Main Avenue, St. Maries, Idaho. – action item**

Motion to approve Special Exemption Permit for Korner Klub at 803 Main Avenue to allow for alcohol beverages in front of business starting August 29th to September 1st from 10:00 am to 2:30 am.

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

- **Priddy's Pub – 2105 W College Avenue, St. Maries, Idaho. – action item**

Mayor Carver stated there was a correction to the address location for the special use permit, and that it is supposed to be for 807 Main Avenue, St. Maries, Idaho.

Motion to approve Special Exemption Permit for Priddy's Pub at 803 Main Avenue to allow for alcohol beverages in front of and in the back of business starting August 29th to September 1st from 10:00 am to 2:30 am.

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

e. The Royale – Beer, Wine & Liquor License Approval. – action item

Motion to approve the Beer, Wine & Liquor License for The Royale located at 825 Main Avenue.

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

f. Classical Conversations – Request to hang banner at City Park. – action item

Krystal Kercher, with Classical Conversations, explained they would like to hang a local classical conversations banner along the city fence near the pool/park.

Motion to approve Classical Conversations to hang a banner on the fence near the city pool/park.

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

g. Resolution No. 2025-353 ; Adoption of LHTAC’s Use of Public Right-of-Way Standard Approach Policy. – action item

Terrun Zolman, City Attorney, explained that the City Code states the City should have a policy in place pertaining to public right-of-way standards and that the City’s engineers are working on the sidewalk projects and need to have standards in place.

Shiloh Pfeiffer, Public Works Director, stated he reviewed the policy and approved.

Councilor Winter asked if this would apply to all current residents, or just future developments/projects which Zolman stated for future work.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 2025-353 ; Adoption of LHTAC’s Use of Public Right-of-Way Standard Approach Policy.

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

h. Request Increase to HMM Work Order 2025-02 – Area of Impact Map. – action item
THIS ITEM WAS REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA BY MAYOR CARVER, NO DISCUSSION OR ACTION TAKEN.

7. Reports and Communications

a. Mayor’s Update.

No Updates.

b. City Council Comments.

Charles Winter requests that the Admin Committee look into rate increases and see if it would be feasible for the City to offer lower utility rates for low-income households.

Ed Spooner stated he noticed the water leak on Main Avenue and 19th/20th Street was getting repaired and wanted to make sure the crew was using a compactor over the area after repair.

Tina Thomson stated that she would also like the Admin Committee look into low-income household utility rates, as mentioned by Councilor Winter.

c. Public Works Director’s Update.

Shiloh Pfeiffer, Public Works Director, stated that he went over the College Avenue sidewalk panels that will be getting replaced with HMM Engineering and the contractor. Pfeiffer also stated that SVL will no longer be doing our water testing and they should be sending referral companies that we will look into switching too.

d. Police Update.

Eric Bailey, Leutenant, stated the police department is working on preparing for Paul Bunyan Days events over Labor Day weekend.

e. Building Official Update.

Absent – No Updates.

8. 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.

Lindsay Derry, city resident, stated that her father, Peter Derry’s water was disconnected today and is formally requesting the City Council review the current moratorium in place as there have

been other users outside of city limits that have recently been approved to connect into the city water system, and to restore her fathers water services.

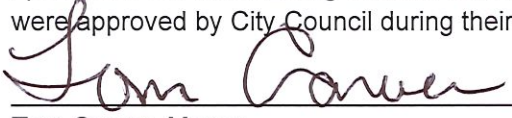
Maxine Magers thanked the Council for assisting in getting her driveway approach fixed for her residence on College Avenue.

Yvette Johnson Benham thanked the City for including Council Packets on the City Website and requested that the City include Council Member contact information on the website as well.

9. Adjourn.

With no further business on the agenda, the meeting was reconvened and adjourned at 6:09 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 September 8, 2025.


Tom Carver, Mayor


Attest: Jaidyn Kinzer, City Clerk