

**CITY OF THOMPSON FALLS  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, March 9, 2026



The City Council meeting was held at the City Hall  
108 Fulton Street, Thompson Falls, MT

Council Members Present: Raoul Ribeiro, City Council President; Katherine Maudrone, City Council Vice President; Rusti Leivestad, Larry Milner, Catherine DeWitt, and Mike Shear.

The City Council meeting was recorded via audio and is available for review on the city website.

City Officials Present:

Gussie O'Connor, Mayor  
Kelliann Barton, City Clerk/Treasurer  
Tim Goen, City Attorney

Others signed in: The sign-in sheet is attached.

Gussie O'Connor opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.  
Kelliann Barton noted who was present.

The Council passed a 6-0 motion to set the Agenda. (Maudrone, Ribeiro)  
The Council passed a 5-1 motion to approve the Consent Agenda. (DeWitt, Milner)

Standing Committee Reports: Budget/Finance, Board of Adjustment, and Budget/Finance

**ACTION TAKEN**

1. The Council motioned 6-0 to reopen the Comprehensive Plan to the public. There was no public comment. (Leivestad, Ribeiro)
2. The Council motioned 6-0 to move the water leak credit for 925 Main St to the April 13<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting. There was no public comment. (Ribeiro, DeWitt)
3. Block Party Car Show : no action taken
4. The Council motioned 6-0 to reinstate the Zoom and look into upgrading equipment. There was public comment. (Milner, Shear)
5. The Council motioned 6-0 to send the Committee of the Whole and then back to legal counsel. There was public comment. (Ribeiro, Milner)
6. The Council motioned 6-0 to send to the Streets and Alleys Committee. There was no public comment. (Ribeiro, Milner)
7. The Council motioned 6-0 to send to the Committee of the Whole. There was public comment. (Milner, Ribeiro)

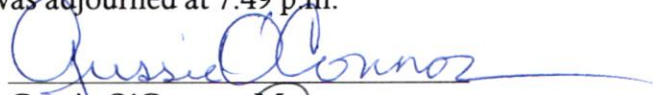
8. The Council motioned 6-0 to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance #359. There was public comment. (Ribeiro, Leivestad)
9. The Council motioned 6-0 to approve the Wastewater Project Phase 3 & 4 Pay Application for Reimbursement. There was no public comment. (Leivestad, Ribeiro)
10. The Council motioned 6-0 to approve the Water Project Phases 1 & 2 Pay Application for Reimbursement. There was public comment. (Milner, Leivestad)

Unscheduled Public Comment: There was public comment.

#### MAYOR'S REPORT –

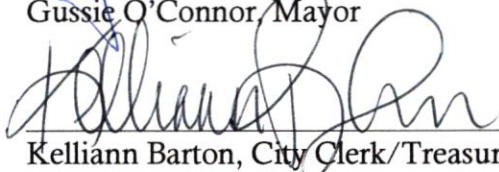
- Every Monday, I'm at City Hall all day, and Friday mornings
- Construction wastewater and drinking water meetings every Thursday at 1 pm with Great West and S&L construction
- Met with our Police Chief
- Planning Committee for Aggregation
- Budget/Finance Committee Review salaries, Cola and swimming pool personnel
- Funding Agency meetings- discussed grants and all funding
- We decided to open the position of Assistant City Clerk externally. Interviews will be soon.
- Met with a few citizens in my office.
- Reviewing former resolutions and ordinances for past and future projects.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m.



Gussie O'Connor, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kelliann Barton, City Clerk/Treasurer

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**AGENDA**

**OPEN MEETING** - Call to order

**ROLL CALL OF THE COUNCIL**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**SET THE AGENDA**

**CONSENT AGENDA** – Claims, Minutes, Financial Reports, Court Report, & Water Shut-off  
List/Arrangements

**COMMUNITY DECAY AND VIOLATIONS LIST REPORT** - Attached

**ENGINEER'S REPORT** - Attached

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS – Budget/Finance, Planning Board, & Budget/Finance:**  
Attached

**INFORMATION:** Thompson Falls Community Trails Committee – Kathy Conlin

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**ACTION ITEMS:**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Comprehensive Plan

**NEW BUSINESS**

2. Water Leak Credit – 925 Main St
3. Block Party Car Show – American Classic Garage
4. Zoom Reinstatement – Resolution #866
5. Water & Sewer Charges to Vacant Lots – Resolution #867
6. Signage and Traffic Enforcement – Gordon Wood
7. City Personnel Policy
8. Ordinance #359 – second reading
9. Wastewater Project Phases 3 & 4 Pay Application for Reimbursement
10. Water Project Phases 1 & 2 Pay Application for Reimbursement

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**UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENT** - The public may speak for up to 3 minutes about items not on the agenda.

**MAYOR'S REPORT** - Mayor Gussie O'Connor's updates.

**ADJOURN**

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Budget/Finance Committee

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Sign-in Sheet

NAME	WOULD YOU LIKE TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL DURING THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD, AND IF YES, WHAT AGENDA ITEM NUMBER?	STREET ADDRESS
Please Print	√ = yes	Please Print ~ thank you
Cheryl Blakney		1810 Pine Tree Hollow
JAN Henry		507 BIGHORN DR.
Karen Sheets		215 Grove St
Holly Sanders		22 Sanderloop Rd n
Rick Sander	yes	" " " "
Richard Mayoff		
Melinda Thompson		219 Park St.
Randy Duffield		219 Park St.
PAUL FIELDER		189 Cherry CR Rd, TF
Tracy Scott		Plains Valley Pres
Crystal Buber		TF library
Miranda Helgert		360 Mt Silcox DR
Robyn Oxford		403 Ferry St
Josh Weert		360 Mt Silcox DR
Kathy Conlin		58 Northshore Road, TC
Steve Small		203 S. Gallatin TF
Tom Legant		304 Park
Mark Sheets		215 Grove St. TF
Kyrsten Wray		1214 Hulen

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Lily Buchanan		110 North Columbia St.
Larry C. Lack	NO	516 Preston Ave. W.
Alicia Walsh	NO	
Alicia Walsh	yes	
ALISA GREGG	NO	413 WOODLAND