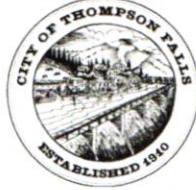


**CITY OF THOMPSON FALLS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, May 18, 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

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 move Annie Wooden from information to #1 under action items on the Agenda. (Ribeiro, DeWitt)

The Council passed a 6-0 motion to approve the Consent Agenda. (Maudrone, DeWitt)

Standing Committee Reports: Committee of the Whole

ACTION TAKEN

New Business:

1. The Council motioned 6-0 to approve the request for a waiver of the open container law for Friday and Saturday, June 26-27, to approve Thompson Falls Main Street having food trucks on city property June 26-27, to approve Veterans on the Road to conduct a car show in the city lot from Mill St to Hill St June 26-27, to approve the Highlead to block off Mill St from Main St to the Alley June 27 for the Block Party, and to approve designating part of the city lot next to First Security Bank as additional handicapped parking. There was no public comment. (Ribeiro, Maudrone)
2. The Council motioned 6-0 to table the water leak credit for the Rimrock until the June 8th meeting. There was no public comment. (Leivestad, DeWitt)
3. The Council motioned 6-0 to approve a parking exemption for the 100 block of S. Columbia St. There was public comment. (Milner, Leivestad)

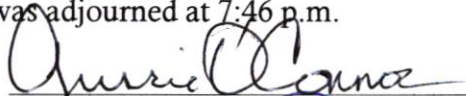
4. The Council motioned 6-0 to approve having a pool inspection done. There was public comment. (Ribeiro, Milner)
5. The Council motioned 5-1 (Abstained: Shear) to approve Resolution #868 to move forward with the public hearing on June 15th at 6 pm. There was public comment. (Ribeiro, Leivestad)
6. The Council motioned 5-1 (Abstained: Shear) to approve the Wastewater Project Phase 3 & 4 Change Order #3. There was no public comment. (Milner, Leivestad)
7. The Council motioned 5-1 (Abstained: Shear) to approve the Wastewater Project Phase 3 & 4 Pay Application for Reimbursement. There was no public comment. (Leivestad, Milner)
8. The Council motioned 4-2 (Nay: Milner and Abstained: Shear) to approve the Water Project Phases 1 & 2 Change Order #2. There was no public comment. (Ribeiro, DeWitt)
9. The Council motioned 5-1 (Abstained: Shear) to approve the Water Project Phases 1 & 2 Pay Application for Reimbursement. There was no public comment. (Milner, Maudrone)

Unscheduled Public Comment: There was public comment.

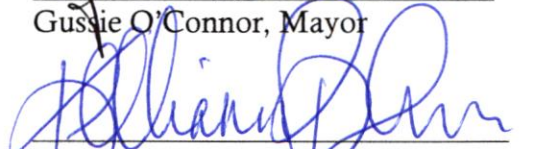
MAYOR'S REPORT –

- I've been attending Construction meetings City, Great West, and S&L Contractors every Thursday.
- Attended Team meetings over Zoom with Great West Engineers and Grant Agencies April 27.
- I participated in a conference call with Steve Troendle of RD to discuss the Contingency available from Water Project, May 8th.
- Committee of the Whole May 11th, to review the repairs and costs. We did an onsite visit to the pool with public attending. Neil Harnett and Kevin Whittenburg led the discussion and answered questions.
- I read an Arbor Day proclamation to the 2nd graders of our elementary school at the Baseball field across from the Pool. Great Fun!
- I met with a Biologist with the Army Corp of Engineers from the Northwest Regional Agency to discuss the Flood Plan for City and County.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.


 Gussie O'Connor, Mayor

ATTEST:


 Kelliann Barton, City Clerk/Treasurer

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Regular City Council Meeting
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Monday, May 18, 2026, at 6:00 P.M.

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 – Committee of the Whole: Attached

INFORMATION:

Main Street – Annie Wooden

ACTION ITEMS:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Water Leak Credit – Rimrock
2. Water Leak Credit – 208 Church
3. Parking Exemption – S Columbia
4. City Pool Update
5. Resolution #868 - Intent to Increase Water Rates
6. Wastewater Project Change Order #3
7. Wastewater Project Phases 3 & 4 Pay Application for Reimbursement
8. Water Project Change Order #2
9. Water Project Phases 1 & 2 Pay Application for Reimbursement

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.

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City Council Meeting

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Monday, May 18, 2026, at 6:00 P.M.**

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
<i>Hansen</i>		<i>Harlow</i>
<i>Rick Sorensen</i>		<i>Harlow</i>
<i>✓</i>		<i>Haystack</i>
<i>Mike Terry</i>		<i>110 Scoville Ln</i>
<i>Ruth Cheney</i>		<i>1806 PTA</i>
<i>Annie Wooden</i>		<i>Ledger</i>
<i>Tracy Scott</i>		<i>Valley Press</i>
<i>Nathan Bilham & Grace Bowers</i>		<i>Helena, MT</i>
<i>Beth Savage</i>		<i>T. Falls</i>
<i>RUB VIKEN'S</i>		<i>208 Canyon</i>
<i>Kelly DuBack</i>		<i>200 Columbia St.</i>