

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

Monday, December 9, 2024



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

Council Members Present: Raoul Ribeiro, City Council President; Hayley Allen-Blakney, City Council Vice President; Katherine Maudrone, Earlene Powell, Larry Lack, and Shawni Vaught

Not present: n/a

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

City Officials Present:

Rusti Leivestad, Mayor

Chelsea Peterson, City Clerk/Treasurer

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

Rusti Leivestad opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance.

Chelsea Peterson made a note of who was present.

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

The Council passed a motion 6-0 to approve the Consent Agenda. (Allen-Blakney, Vaught)

Standing Committee Reports— None

ACTION TAKEN

1. The Council motioned 6-0 to approve the Sewer Project Phases 3 & 4 Easements and payment for Eggensperger property \$9,869.75, Leivestad property \$28,442.66, Godfrey property \$747.12, and Kegal property \$7,340.04 for sewer lines running through their properties vs. having to build two lift stations saving around \$500,000 each for the Lift Stations alone. Total Easements \$46,399.57. (Ribeiro, Vaught)
2. The Council motioned 6-0 to table the Zoning Committee Vacancy agenda request. (Allen-Blakney, Powell)
3. The Council motioned 6-0 to approve another 6 months of Zoom Meeting Pilot Project and Resolution #850. (Powell, Lack)
4. The Council motioned 6-0 to approve the Library Board of Trustee Sunday Dutro Sauter. (Allen-Blakney, Ribeiro)
5. The Council motioned 6-0 to approve the Notice of Award based on Great West Engineering's recommendation to TCI once bonds and insurance have been reviewed in accordance with the contract documents and then have the city sign the construction agreement. SLIPA Grant of \$124,342. (Powell, Lack)

6. The Council motioned 6-0 to approve the Water Project Pay Application for Reimbursement from ARPA #4 (\$177,831.77), City match (\$1,044.25), Department of Revenue (\$1,569.25) total \$178,876.02. (Maudrone, Allen-Blakney)
7. The Council motioned 6-0 to approve to rescind the motion made during the Special City Council meeting on November 26, 2024, to approve the Pay Application for Reimbursement for the Sewer Project Phases 1 & 2 due to the Council not having the final numbers for approval. (Powell, Maudrone)
8. The Council motioned 6-0 to approve the Sewer Project Phases 1 & 2 Pay Application for Reimbursement from Rural Development #32 (\$612,367.72), TSEP/MCEP #7 (\$15,980.20) and DNRC Renewable Resource #4 (\$26,990.50), Department of Revenue (\$6,428.56) total \$655,338.42. (Ribeiro, Maudrone)
9. The Council motioned 6-0 to approve closing out TSEP/MCEP Grant (\$750,000) for Sewer Project Phases 1 & 2. (Allen-Blakney, Powell)
10. The Council motioned 6-0 to approve closing out DNRC Renewable Resource Grant (\$188,685) for Sewer Project Phases 1 & 2. (Maudrone, Ribeiro)
11. The Council motioned 6-0 to approve the Sewer Project Phases 3 & 4 Pay Application for Reimbursement from CDBG #9 (\$471.75), RRG #1 (\$35,278.00), ARPA #26 (\$65,000), City match (\$30,809.00) total \$131,558.75. (Ribeiro, Powell)

Unscheduled Public Comment: There were unscheduled public comments.

MAYORS REPORT –

Church Street Emergency Water Project weekly progress meetings

Conversations about Quiet zones for trains

Updates to GWE – a resident had questions about Phase 3 / 4, specifically their gray water tank

Coordinating easements with landowners for sewer main Phase 3 / 4

Special Council Meeting held for 40/50 payroll

Special Council Meeting for Final payout for Phase 1 / 2 – tabled to next regular Council meeting December 9 – This was then held as a special Council meeting November 26th.

Attended Chamber of Commerce meeting

Attended Main Street meeting

The pre-bid meeting for SLIPA and bid award meeting– which is for a paving project on Haley

The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.



Rusti Leivestad, Mayor

ATTEST:



Chelsea Peterson, City Clerk/Treasurer

December

Monday, December 9, 2024 @ 6:00 P.M.

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Regular City Council Meeting

in the City Hall, 108 Fulton Street, Thompson Falls, MT ~ Monday, December 9, 2024 @ 6:00 P.M.

AGENDA

OPEN MEETING

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: None

INFORMATION: None

ACTION ITEMS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

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Total Easements \$46,399.57.
2. Zoning Committee Vacancy.
3. Zoom Meeting Pilot Project.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Rusti Leivestad will present the Agenda Item unless otherwise listed.

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9. Close out TSEP Grant (\$750,000) for Sewer Project Phases 1 & 2.
10. Close out DNRC Renewable Resource Grant (\$188,685) for Sewer Project Phases 1 & 2.
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UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENT – The public may speak for up to 3 minutes once about anything not on the agenda.

MAYOR'S REPORT

ADJOURN

You are invited to attend a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: City Council Meeting December 9, 2024

Time: Dec 9, 2024, 06:00 PM Mountain Time

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81159761457?pwd=xVle85yZwaj0A7Xts5dmnpeRonQ7A9.1>

Meeting ID: 811 5976 1457 Passcode: 046652

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****There may be issues discussed during the meeting which may not be listed on the agenda. If a decision is required on items of significant interest, it will be scheduled for another date/time and posted within the required 48-hour notice. This schedule is subject to change without notice but will be posted within the required 48-hour notice. If you have any questions, please contact 406-827-3557.**