

## **MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING**

### **HARRISON CITY COUNCIL**

**JULY 8, 2025, 6:00 PM**

**Harrison Senior Center**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Wanda Irish called the meeting to order at 6 PM

**2. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:** Debbie Lockhart, Charlie Shutt, John Gray, Joe Cornell, Josephine Prophet, and Will Butler was present.

**3. GUEST SPEAKER: N/A**

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS/LETTERS:**

Rebecca Murdock made a public comment regarding her campground project. She states that her businesses are properly licensed for 2024 and 2025 and that all required local taxes have been paid. She also notes that the City assigned official addresses to both campgrounds in January 2024 and that she has maintained regular communication with City officials over the past four years. She reports that fire pits on the property were inspected in 2024 and again in May 2025 by fire officials, including the Idaho State Fire Marshal, and that all inspections confirmed the pits were compliant. Although no violations were found, she says she chose to ban fires for the rest of the season after a neighbor's confrontation. She states that Avista installed electrical service in 2022 and that a County inspector confirmed the property had a valid Site Disturbance Permit. A red tag was issued for a missing silt fence, but she was told work could continue and the tag would be removed once the trench was filled. She has scheduled an electrical inspection for June 16 and submitted a Special Use Permit on June 12. She says she has taken steps to reduce traffic impact by posting signs and giving online directions that guide visitors to use O'Gara Road instead of Woodlawn Drive. She explains that some City mail was missed due to a change from a P.O. Box to a residential mailbox, and that she did not intentionally ignore communications. She states that Lake City Law confirmed no certified cease-and-desist letter was issued. She received an email from Mayor Irish on June 3 outlining community concerns, and met with the Mayor on June 10. She reports that the Mayor confirmed all issues were resolved following that meeting. She says she was informed the property was zoned Mixed Use when purchased, and has operated under that understanding. Zoning concerns were first raised in May 2025. She also reports ongoing harassment from certain individuals, who have since been trespassed from the property by the Kootenai County Sheriff. The property owner states that she remains committed to following City regulations and maintaining respectful communication. She is willing to provide further documentation if requested.

Dixon Brown made a comment regarding the Harrison Bluff Campground. He expressed that the Murdock family are dear friends of his and stated that they do not deserve the criticism they have been receiving.

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Laura Puma made a comment regarding the Pledge of Allegiance. She asked the Council if they would like to do the Pledge of Allegiance with her.

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR: -ACTION**

A. Approval of payment of the bills for the Month of June 2025 as presented.

B. Approval of June 11, 2025 Meeting Minutes

**Josephine Prophet made a motion to approve the consent calendar**

**Will Butler seconded**

**Debbie Lockhart AYE**

**Charlie Shutt AYE**

**John Gray AYE**

**Joe Cornell NAYE**

**Josephine Prophet AYE**

**Will Butler AYE**

**6. OLD BUSINESS:**

A. Consider Amending Harrison City Code 7-2-14F, to where property owners are responsible for sewer pump-out expenses **-ACTION**

**Will Butler made a motion to table item 6.A**

**Charlie Shutt seconded**

**Debbie Lockhart AYE**

**Charlie Shutt AYE**

**John Gray AYE**

**Joe Cornell AYE**

**Josephine Prophet AYE**

**Will Butler AYE**

B. Consider all Professional fees included in the building permit **-ACTION**

**Joe Cornell made a motion to table item 6.B**

**Will Butler seconded**

**Debbie Lockhart AYE**

**Charlie Shutt AYE**

**John Gray AYE**

**Joe Cornell AYE**

**Josephine Prophet AYE**

**Will Butler AYE**

C. Review and Approve FY 2023 Audit **-ACTION**

**Will Butler made a motion to approve the FY 2023 Audit**

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**Debbie Lockhart seconded**

**Debbie Lockhart AYE**

**Charlie Shutt AYE**

**John Gray AYE**

**Joe Cornell AYE**

**Josephine Prophet AYE**

**Will Butler AYE**

**7. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Schedule workshop for budget planning-ACTION**

**Will Butler made a motion to schedule the workshop for the budget planning for July 23, 2025**

**Debbie Lockhart seconded**

**Debbie Lockhart AYE**

**Charlie Shutt AYE**

**John Gray AYE**

**Joe Cornell AYE**

**Josephine Prophet AYE**

**Will Butler AYE**

**B. Approve bid for Pend Oreille waterline project-ACTION**

**Will Butler made a motion to approve Accelerated Bid for the Pend Oreille waterline project**

**Charlie Shutt seconded**

**Debbie Lockhart AYE**

**Charlie Shutt AYE**

**John Gray AYE**

**Joe Cornell AYE**

**Josephine Prophet AYE**

**Will Butler AYE**

**C. Approve letter to Fish and Game for potential boat access on Blue Lake Road-ACTION**

**Joe Cornell made a motion to table this item**

**Will Butler seconded**

**Debbie Lockhart AYE**

**Charlie Shutt AYE**

**John Gray AYE**

**Joe Cornell AYE**

**Josephine Prophet AYE**

**Will Butler AYE**

**D. Consider adding a City Community bulletin board with an agreement in place-ACTION**

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Doug Buffet from the Harrison Chamber shared of community bulletin board postings, featuring announcements from the Harrison Senior Center, the Grange, Music in the Park, the Crane Historical Society, and other local organizations.

**Charlie Shutt made a motion to approve the City's community bulletin board proposal, which will include a Memorandum of Understanding with the Harrison Chamber of Commerce.**

**Josephine Prophet seconded**

**Debbie Lockhart AYE**

**Charlie Shutt AYE**

**John Gray AYE**

**Joe Cornell AYE**

**Josephine Prophet AYE**

**Will Butler NAYE**

## **8. REPORTS**

### **A. Mayor**

Mayor Wanda Irish reported that the City is currently working on the Fiscal Year 2024 audit and that all materials are prepared for submission to the auditors.

I. City Attorney- Susan Weeks N/A

II. Public Works- Josh Burg reported that two significant water leaks occurred in June. The Public Works Department notified all affected residents and successfully restored service within three days.

III. City Clerk/Treasurer-Miriah Pfeiffer N/A

### **B. Committees**

I. Administration Committee: The Admin Committee has been working on the budget and will meet June 18, 2025 at 9:00 AM

II. Public Works Committee:

The Public Works Committee will be meeting July 28 at 8:30 AM

III. Economic Development Committee: N/A

**Will Butler made a motion to enter executive session**

**Debbie Lockhart seconded**

**Debbie Lockhart AYE**

**Charlie Shutt AYE**

**John Gray AYE**

**Joe Cornell AYE**

**Josephine Prophet AYE**

**Will Butler NAYE**

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**9. EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Idaho Statutes 74-206 (c) To acquire an interest in real property not owned by a public agency; (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.

**10. ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 PM