

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING  
HARRISON CITY COUNCIL  
April 14, 2026-6:00 PM  
HARRISON SENIOR CENTER**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Wanda Irish called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM
2. **ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:** TJ Byrne, Charlie Shutt, John Gray, Kelly Kilian, Josephine Prophet, and Will Butler were present.
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**
4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS/LETTERS:** Tim Dohnansky provided a public comment regarding the scope and administration provisions of the 2018 Idaho Residential Building Code, Sections 104.6 through 114.1.
5. **CONSENT CALENDAR: -ACTION**
  - A. Approval of payment of the bills of March 2026 as presented
  - B. Approval of March 4, 2026 Special Meeting minutes and March 10, 2026, Regular Meeting minutes  
Will Butler mentioned that he had some questions, and he called and talked to the Deputy Clerk, and got his questions answered.  
**Will Butler made a motion to approve the consent calendar**  
**Josephine Prophet seconded**  
**TJ Byrne AYE**  
**Charlie Shutt AYE**  
**John Gray AYE**  
**Kelly Kilian AYE**  
**Josephine Prophet AYE**  
**Will Butler AYE**
6. **OLD BUSINESS:**
  - A. Approve 2025 Comprehensive Plan-**ACTION**  
John Gray referenced a question regarding Powderhorn noted on page 3 of the document. He expressed concern about the City potentially being placed in a difficult position if services were required to be provided in the future. He stated that if Powderhorn were to develop and a developer came forward, the City could be obligated to supply services.  
Mayor Wanda Irish responded that the intent is not for City of Harrison residents to pay for any services related to Powderhorn.  
John Gray noted that a future developer may have a different set of requirements than those currently anticipated.  
Josephine Prophet stated that any development would be required to come before the City for approval through the Planning and Zoning Commission and then the City Council.  
John Gray questioned why Powderhorn would want to pay City taxes if no services are being provided.  
Josephine Prophet also mentioned that there were minor changes related to lettering and proposed approving the document that evening so it could move forward to Planning and Zoning.  
**Charlie Shutt made a motion to approve the 2025 Comprehensive Plan condition upon the minor changes fixed.**  
**Josephine Prophet seconded**  
**TJ Byrne AYE**  
**Charlie Shutt AYE**  
**John Gray AYE**  
**Kelly Kilian AYE**

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**Josephine Prophet AYE**

**Will Butler NAYE**

- B. Accept Agreement donation for a new swim dock from Kootenai County Parks & Waterways-ACTION**

TJ Byrne provided an update, stating that he met with Dock Builders and confirmed that the existing swim dock is in good condition; however, the flotation underneath needs attention. He also noted that the dock offered by Kootenai County Parks & Waterways may be too large, as its longer length would not be compatible with the existing pilings. Kootenai County will deliver the dock at no cost.

**Will Butler made a motion to Accept Agreement donation for a new swim dock from Kootenai County Parks & Waterways**

**Charlie Shutt seconded**

**TJ Byrne AYE**

**Charlie Shutt AYE**

**John Gray AYE**

**Kelly Kilian AYE**

**Josephine Prophet AYE**

**Will Butler AYE**

**7. NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Approve Harrison Marina LLC 2026 Alcohol Liquor License-ACTION**  
**Will Butler made a motion to approve the Harrison Marina LLC 2026**

**Alcohol Liquor Licenses**

**Josephine Prophet seconded**

**TJ Byrne AYE**

**Charlie Shutt AYE**

**John Gray AYE**

**Kelly Kilian AYE**

**Josephine Prophet AYE**

**Will Butler AYE**

- B. Consider increasing Local Option Tax Rate-ACTION**

The Council discussed requesting a comparison showing the impact of increasing the percentage to 5%, including projections of lodging and all taxable revenue. They also asked for projected figures compared with the actual revenue generated in 2025.

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The Council would like a Workshop and to invite the town have a town hall meeting with the figures to show what the city has received and what projects we have done with the money.

**Charlie Shut made a motion to increase the Local Option Tax Rate to 2%**

**Kelly Kilian seconded**

**TJ Byrne NAYE  
Charlie Shutt NAYE  
John Gray NAYE  
Kelly Kilian NAYE  
Josephine Prophet NAYE  
Will Butler NAYE**

**C. Set Budget Public Hearing Date-ACTION**

**Will Butler made a motion to set the budget public hearing date for August 11, 2026**

**Charlie Shutt seconded**

**TJ Byrne AYE  
Charlie Shutt AYE  
John Gray AYE  
Kelly Kilian AYE  
Josephine Prophet AYE  
Will Butler AYE**

**D. Set a public hearing date for the moratorium on the issuance of water and sewer (wastewater) permits. -ACTION**

**Will Butler made a motion to set a public hearing date for May 12, 2026, at 6:00 PM for the moratorium on the issuance of water and sewer**

**(wastewater) permits**

**Charlie Shutt seconded**

**TJ Byrne AYE  
Charlie Shutt AYE  
John Gray AYE  
Kelly Kilian AYE  
Josephine Prophet AYE  
Will Butler AYE**

**E. Approve Resolution 2026-01 Authorizing the Adoption of the Kootenai County Multi-Jurisdictional All-Hazard Mitigation Plan-ACTION**

**TJ Byrne made a motion to approve resolution 2026-01 Authorizing the Adoption of the Kootenai County Multi-Jurisdictional All-Hazard Mitigation Plan**

**Will Butler seconded**

**TJ Byrne AYE**

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**Charlie Shutt AYE**

**John Gray AYE**

**Kelly Kilian AYE**

**Josephine Prophet AYE**

**Will Butler AYE**

- F. Consider Building Inspector letter of understanding regarding liability for legal costs-ACTION**

**Will Butler made a motion to tabled item 7.F**

**TJ seconded**

**TJ Byrne AYE**

**Charlie Shutt AYE**

**Kelly Kilian AYE**

**Josephine Prophet AYE**

**Will Butler AYE**

- G. Approve Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement for the Idaho Intrastate Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network-ACTION**

Josh Burg explained that the Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement for the Idaho Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network allows water and wastewater agencies within Idaho to assist each other during emergencies by sharing staff, equipment, and resources. The goal is to support quick and efficient response during system failures or disasters.

**Josephine Prophet made a motion to Approve Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement for the Idaho Intrastate Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network**

**TJ Byrne seconded**

**TJ Byrne AYE**

**Charlie Shutt AYE**

**Kelly Kilian AYE**

**Josephine Prophet AYE**

**Will Butler NAYE**

- H. Economic Development: Committee vs. Commission-ACTION**

The Council discussed economic development being structured as either a committee or a commission. It was noted that if established as a City committee, meetings would be required to be publicly posted, comply with Open Meeting Law requirements, be held at City Hall or the Senior Center (designated as the Council Chambers), and include at least one member of the City Council. If it is not a City committee, membership may include anyone from the community and does not require residency within the city limits.

**TJ made a motion to dissolve the Economic Development Committee**

**Will Butler seconded**

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**TJ Byrne AYE**  
**Charlie Shutt AYE**  
**Kelly Kilian AYE**  
**Josephine Prophet AYE**  
**Will Butler AYE**

- I. Approve Bid for the construction of the WWTP Lift Station and Force main-  
ACTION**

**Will Butler made a motion to approve Excav8 LLC bid for the construction  
for the WWTP Lift Station and Force Main**

**TJ Byrne AYE**  
**Charlie Shutt AYE**  
**Kelly Kilian AYE**  
**Josephine Prophet AYE**  
**Will Butler AYE**

**8. REPORTS:**

**A. Mayor**

- I. City Attorney- Susan Weeks**  
NO REPORT
- II. Public Works- Josh Burg**  
Josh Burg provided an overview of current activities and updates across all Public Works departments.
- III. City Clerk/Treasurer-Miriah Pfeiffer**  
Miriah Pfeiffer provided an update on city finances and noted that the six-month budget report would be available the following day.

**B. Committees**

- I. Administration Committee: The Admin Committee discussed the Local Option Tax, Civil Penalties, Budget, The next meeting will be April 29, 2026 at 2:30 PM at Harrison City Hall.**
- II. Public Works Committee: The Public Works Committee gave an overview on what they have been working on. Signs for the Springston Bridge Trailhead, the new swim dock, emergency preparedness update, burn ordinance, septic tank inspection program, and the old gym roof repair. The next meeting will be held May 5, 2026 at 8:30 AM at Harrison City Hall.**
- III. Economic Development Committee: N/A**

- 9. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Idaho Code 74- 206(1) 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. The mere presence of legal counsel at an executive session does not satisfy this requirement.**

- 10. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 PM**