

City of Wendell
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
October 2, 2025

Mayor Rebecca Vipperman called the regular meeting of the Wendell City Council to order at 6:31 PM. Council members present were Council President BJ Marshall, Councilwoman Carolyn McRoberts, Councilman Juan Gonzales and Councilman Don Dunn. City Attorney Tim Stover was also present.

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

NONE

BILLS

Councilwoman McRoberts made a motion to approve the bills as presented in the amount of \$16,902.61. **Councilman Gonzales** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; **Councilwoman Marshall-Aye, Councilwoman McRoberts-Aye Councilman Gonzales-Aye, and Councilman Dunn-Aye**; motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS (discussion/action items)

Consideration of Library Board Appointment- Shawna Tvrdy

Mayor Vipperman made a recommendation to the Council that Shawna Tvrdy be appointed to the Library Board. She cited Mrs. Tvrdy's business experience and contacts at the school as being beneficial to the board. **Councilman Gonzales** made a motion to appoint Shawna Tvrdy to the Wendell Library Board. **Councilwoman McRoberts** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; **Councilwoman Marshall-Aye, Councilwoman McRoberts-Aye Councilman Gonzales- Aye, and Councilman Dunn-Aye**; motion passed.

Consideration of AFA Petition to Intervene- Water Mitigation

Tabled until more information could be obtained.

Consideration of Resolution 213-2025 Destruction of Records

City Clerk Karri French was absent from the meeting. Council wanted to talk with Karri regarding the destruction of records. Item is tabled until next meeting.

Consideration of Quotes- Shop Doors

Public Works Director Steven Devereaux solicited quotes for bay doors for the addition to the City Shop currently being constructed. He tried to be fiscally responsible. **Councilman Dunn** was concerned regarding the budget for the project, he said he wanted to

make sure that we had the budget for the new doors. **Councilwoman Marshall** believed we had the room in the budget for the doors. **Councilman Gonzales** expressed that we had to have the doors, there wasn't a choice. **Councilwoman McRoberts** made a motion to accept the quote from Superior Doors in the amount of \$33,505.60. **Councilman Gonzales** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; **Councilwoman Marshall-Aye, Councilwoman McRoberts-Aye Councilman Gonzales- Aye, and Councilman Dunn-Aye**; motion passed.

Consideration of Quote for Salt Dogg Spreader

Public Works Director Stephen Devereaux presented the proposed Salt Dogg Spreader to Council stating that it would improve the city's ability to fight winter weather. **Councilwoman Marshall** stated that she believed the city had budgeted for the spreader. Stephen Devereaux stated that the pieces that he was presenting at the meeting today would be everything that was budgeted for except for the new skid steer. **Councilman Gonzales** made a motion to accept the quote for the Salt Dogg Spreader in the amount of \$9,325.99 contingent on **Councilwoman Marshall** checking the budget to verify that the city had the necessary money in the budget for it. **Councilman Dunn** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; **Councilwoman Marshall-Aye, Councilwoman McRoberts-Aye Councilman Gonzales-Aye, and Councilman Dunn-Aye**; motion passed.

Consideration of Quote for Mud Mixer

Public Works Director Stephen Devereaux presented the proposed Mud Mixer to Council stating that the machine would be more efficient and safer for the Public Works Crew. He said that currently they were having to lift 80-pound bags of cement over their heads. He also stated that the Public Works Crew mixes cement for a variety of projects and that this equipment would be used often. **Councilman Gonzales** made a motion to purchase the mud mixer in the amount of \$2999.00. **Councilman Dunn** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; **Councilwoman Marshall-Aye, Councilwoman McRoberts-Aye Councilman Gonzales-Aye, and Councilman Dunn-Aye**; motion passed.

Consideration of Purchase- 2024 Chevy Silverado

Public Works Director Stephen Devereaux asked to purchase a 2024 Chevy Silverado for the Public Works Crew. He said that with the vehicles purchased over the last few years and this final purchase the city hopefully wouldn't need to replace any vehicles for quite a few years. He stated that the truck in question has a diesel engine and can pull heavy equipment. The truck that this one would replace is in questionable condition and continually needs to be repaired. **Councilman Gonzales** made a motion to purchase the truck from Dick's Kar Karral in the amount of \$39,988.00. **Councilman Dunn** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; **Councilwoman Marshall-Aye, Councilwoman McRoberts-Aye Councilman Gonzales- Aye, and Councilman Dunn-Aye**; motion passed.

Consideration of Install Stop Signs- Intersection of Shoshone St. & B Ave W

Public Works Director Stephen Devereaux stated that temporary stop signs had been placed at the intersection in question in response to multiple complaints from business owners in that area that the intersection wasn't safe. Stephen Devereaux stated that the businesses were happy with the stop sign being there for the past few weeks and that their workers are safer. In addition, it was expressed that the City had spoken with Point S and asked

them not to work on vehicles in the city's right-of-way any longer. They had agreed. Council discussed that the City of Wendell has a lot of stop signs and not many through streets but that the city also has fewer accidents than most cities. **Councilwoman McRoberts** made a motion to make the stop sign at the intersection of Shoshone St. and B Ave W permanent. **Councilman Dunn** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; **Councilwoman Marshall-Aye**, **Councilwoman McRoberts-Aye** **Councilman Gonzales- Aye**, and **Councilman Dunn-Aye**; motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (discussion/action items)

NONE

PUBLIC COMMENT

NONE

COUNCIL

Councilwoman Marshall stated that she appreciates the presence that she's noticed from the Gooding County Sheriff's Office and stated that she believes they're doing a good job.

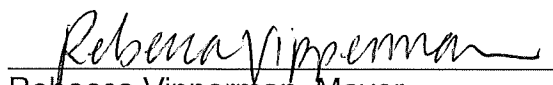
MAYOR

Mayor Vipperman mentioned that Karri French and Stephen Devereaux both had birthdays in the coming week. She mentioned the upcoming City Trunk or Treat and asked for help running it.

She then stated that Bob Bailey had been with the city for 30 years and praised his time working for the City of Wendell. She stated that it is rare that an employee stays at a job for so long, especially in a job as tumultuous as a City and thanked him for his many years of service. She surprised Bob and the Council with cupcakes to celebrate.

ADJOURN

Councilman Gonzales made a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Wendell City Council at 7:41 PM. **Councilman Dunn** seconded the motion. Motion passed.


Rebecca Vipperman, Mayor

Attest:


Karri French, City Clerk/Treasurer