

**CITY OF LARAMIE, WYOMING
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 406 IVINSON AVE, LARAMIE, WY 82070**

FEBRUARY 17, 2026

Pre-meetings are held prior to Regular Council meetings for the purpose of discussing items on the consent agenda and assigning introductions of items on the regular agenda.

Pre meeting began at 6:15 pm.

Council present: Jim Fried, Matt Lockhart, Brandon Newman, Erin O'Doherty, Melanie Vigil (virtual), Micah Richardson (virtual), and Sharon Cumbie. Absent: William Bowling and Joe Shumway.

Councilor Newman would like to move Item 9.J. to 16.A. on the regular agenda. Council assigned item introductions for the regular agenda.

Council adjourned pre-meeting and recessed at 6:20 pm.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Regular Meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Cumbie at 6:30 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Cumbie led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call

Roll call showed present: Jim Fried, Matt Lockhart, Brandon Newman, Erin O'Doherty, Melanie Vigil (virtual), Micah Richardson (virtual), and Sharon Cumbie. Absent: William Bowling and Joe Shumway.

City Staff present: Todd Feezer, City Manager; Nancy Bartholomew, City Clerk; Bob Southard, City Attorney; Jenn Wade, Finance and Administrative Services Director; Patti Russell, Human Resources; Brooks Webb, Public Works Director; Taun Smith, Assistant Police Chief; and Michael Bork, Parks, Recreation and Public Services Director.

4. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (Aggregate time limit 30 minutes)
(Limit of 3 minutes per speaker.)

No public comment received.

5. Consideration of Changes in Agenda and Setting the Agenda

A. Public Request to Remove a Consent Agenda Item and Place it on the Regular Agenda to Allow for Public Comments (No public comment will be taken during this item. Items will be considered at the discretion of the council. Available in-person and web conferencing.)
None received.

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B. Council Acknowledgement of Requests for Changes to the Agenda (Councilors may request an item be moved from the consent agenda to the regular agenda.)
Not applicable.

C. MOTION BY O'DOHERTY, seconded by Newman, that the following changes to the Agenda be approved: that Item #9.J. be moved to Item #16.A.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote.

D. MOTION BY O'DOHERTY, seconded by Fried, that the Agenda be set as changed.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote.

6. PROCLAMATIONS/NOTIFICATIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

6.A. PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

6.B. PUBLIC HEARING

6.B.i. PUBLIC HEARING: Transfer Retail Liquor License #12 from AB Laramie LLC to Big D Oil Company dba Big D #27 Located at 2901 E Grand Ave

6.C. ANNOUNCEMENTS

6.C.i. Monthly Staff Recognition

- o Jennifer Graham, LARC Dispatch Supervisor

7. Disclosures and/or Conflicts of Interest by City Council Members

None.

8. Approval of Consent Agenda

Items listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilor or citizen so requests, in which case the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered on the Regular Agenda.

MOTION BY O'DOHERTY, seconded by Lockhart, that the Consent Agenda be approved and that each specific action on the Consent Agenda be approved as indicated.

Roll call showed Aye: Fried, Lockhart, Newman, O'Doherty, Vigil, Richardson, and Cumbie.
Nay: None. Absent: Bowling and Shumway. MOTION CARRIED.

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9. CONSENT AGENDA

9.A. MINUTES: Minutes from the City Council Regular Meeting from February 3, 2026

Action:

that Laramie City Council approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of February 3, 2026.

9.B. MINUTES: Minutes from the Laramie Youth Council Regular Meeting on January 7, 2026

Action:

that the Laramie City Council acknowledge receipt of the minutes from the Laramie Youth Council Regular Meeting on January 7, 2026.

9.C. MINUTES: Minutes from the Civil Service Commission for Police and Fire from October 8, 2025

Action:

that the Laramie City Council acknowledge receipt of the minutes from the Civil Service Commission for Police and Fire from October 8, 2025.

9.D. MINUTES: Minutes from the Laramie Advisory Commission on Disabilities from November 6, 2025

Action:

that the Laramie City Council acknowledge receipt of the minutes from the Laramie Advisory Commission on Disabilities from November 6, 2025.

9.E. CEMETERY DEEDS: Cemetery Deeds for January 16 - February 15, 2026

Action:

that the Cemetery Deeds for January 16-February 15, 2026, be accepted, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign, and have them recorded in the Office of the County Clerk.

9.F. LICENSE: Temporary Use of a Laramie County Retail Liquor License within City Limits for DeLancey Enterprises, LLC for the UW Rodeo Gala at the Marian Rochelle Gateway Center on March 7, 2026

Action:

that the Laramie City Council approve the temporary use of a Laramie County Retail Liquor License within city limits for DeLancey Enterprises, LLC for the UW Rodeo Gala at the Marian Rochelle Gateway Center on March 7, 2026.

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9.G. LICENSE: Temporary Use of a City of Laramie Retail Liquor License No. 4 for Hensley Property Holdings, LLC dba Roxie's on Grand in Albany County for the UW Rodeo at the Hansen Arena on April 24-26, 2026

Action:

that the Laramie City Council approve the temporary use of a City of Laramie Retail Liquor License No. 4 for Hensley Property Holdings, LLC dba Roxie's on Grand in Albany County for the UW Rodeo at the Hansen Arena, April 24-26, 2026, contingent upon the approval of the Albany County Commissioners.

9.H. MOU: Memorandum of Understanding with Albany County for Victim Witness Services

Action:

to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the City and Albany County for Victim Witness Services for 2026-2027 and authorize an expenditure of \$50,000 pursuant to the MOU, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign.

9.I. MOU: Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Laramie, Wyoming, and the Laramie Police Department Foundation.

Action:

that the Laramie City Council approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Laramie, Wyoming, and the Laramie Police Department Foundation, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign.

9.J. Moved to Item #16.A. RESOLUTION: Resolution 2026-17, Amending City Council Rules of Procedure

9.K. RESOLUTION: Resolution 2026-18, Formally Waiving the Requirements Set Forth in Wyoming Statute 16-1-1001 (I) (B), Wyoming Resident Contractors, for the West Laramie Lift Station Project

Action:

to approve Resolution 2026-18, waiving the Wyoming resident contractor participation requirement for the purchase of the Smith & Loveless prefabricated lift station, or equivalent, as part of the West Laramie Lift Station Project, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign.

9.L. RESOLUTION: Resolution 2026-19, Appointing One Member to Laramie Advisory Commission on Disabilities

Action:

that Laramie City Council approve Resolution 2026-19, appointing JoCarol Ropp to the Laramie Advisory Commission on Disabilities for term expiring October 31, 2027, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign.

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9.M. SCHEDULE MEETINGS:

that the following meeting be scheduled:

- i. February 24, 2026, 6:00 pm (Cancel) – WORK SESSION: Establishing an Emergency Fund
- ii. February 24, 2026, 6:00 pm – WORK SESSION: Civic Cents
- iii. March 10, 2026, 6:00 pm – WORK SESSION: Civic Cents
- iv. March 24, 2026, 6:00 pm – WORK SESSION: Civic Cents
- v. March 24, 2026, 5:30 pm – WORK SESSION: Community Partner Applications (Joint with the Albany County Board of Commissioners)
- vi. April 14, 2026, 6:00 pm – WORK SESSION: Construction Season Update
- vii. April 14, 2026, 6:00 pm – WORK SESSION: Civic Cents
- viii. April 28, 2026, 6:00 pm – WORK SESSION: Civic Cents
- ix. April 28, 2026, 6:00 pm – WORK SESSION: City-wide Parking Taskforce Development
- x. May 26, 2026, 6:00 pm – WORK SESSION: Fee for Service Agreements

10. REGULAR AGENDA

11. Award of Contract for the Purchase of Six Hundred (600) Water Meters for the Meter Replacement Program

MOTION BY LOCKHART, seconded by Newman, to award the contract for the purchase of six hundred (600) water meters for the Meter Replacement Program to Metron Farnier, Inc. for an amount not to exceed two hundred thirty-two thousand two hundred dollars (\$232,200.00), and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign.

No public comment received.

Roll call showed Aye: Fried, Lockhart, Newman, O'Doherty, Vigil, Richardson, and Cumbie. Nay: None. Absent: Bowling and Shumway. MOTION CARRIED.

12. Transfer of Retail Liquor License #12 from AB Laramie WY LLC to Big D Oil Company dba Big D #27 Located at 2901 Grand Avenue

MOTION BY FRIED, seconded by Newman, to approve the transfer of Retail Liquor License #12 from AB Laramie WY LLC to Big D Oil Company dba Big D Oil #27 located at 2901 Grand Avenue for a license year of February 18, 2026 to May 7, 2026, contingent upon the completion of sale and will remain non-operational until construction has been completed with issued permits.

No public comment received.

Roll call showed Aye: Fried, Lockhart, Newman, O'Doherty, Vigil, Richardson, and Cumbie. Nay: None. Absent: Bowling and Shumway. MOTION CARRIED.

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13. Resolution 2026-22, Authorizing a Site Lease and a Facilities Sublease Agreement

MOTION BY O'DOHERTY, seconded by Fried, to approve Resolution 2026-22, authorizing a site lease and facilities sublease agreement, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign.

Public comments received from the following:

Brett Glass, Arvin Martinez, Tammy Hooper, Tom Mattimore, and Diana Seabeck.

MOTION BY NEWMAN, seconded by O'Doherty, to postpone Resolution 2026-22 to March 3rd.

No public comment received on the postponement.

Roll call on postponement showed Aye: Fried, Lockhart, Newman, O'Doherty, Vigil, Richardson, and Cumbie. Nay: None. Absent: Bowling and Shumway. MOTION CARRIED.

14. Resolution 2026-20, Supporting the Submittal of an Application to the Wyoming Department of Agriculture for a 2026 Emergency Insect Management Program Grant

MOTION BY FRIED, seconded by O'Doherty, to approve Resolution 2026-20, supporting the submittal of an application to the Wyoming Department of Agriculture for a 2026 Emergency Insect Management Program Grant in the amount of forty-five thousand nine hundred forty dollars (\$45,940.00) to support the City of Laramie's mosquito control, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign.

No public comment received.

Roll call showed Aye: Fried, Lockhart, Newman, O'Doherty, Vigil, Richardson, and Cumbie. Nay: None. Absent: Bowling and Shumway. MOTION CARRIED.

15. Resolution 2026-21, Designating Recreation Project Request Priorities to the Albany County Recreation Board for Funding Consideration in Fiscal Year 2027

MOTION BY FRIED, seconded by Newman, to approve Resolution 2026-21, designating recreation project request priorities to the Albany County Recreation Board for funding consideration in the amount of three hundred seventy-two thousand two hundred seventy-three dollars and forty-five cents (\$372,273.45) for Fiscal Year 2027, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign.

No public comment received.

Roll call showed Aye: Fried, Lockhart, Newman, O'Doherty, Vigil, Richardson, and Cumbie. Nay: None. Absent: Bowling and Shumway. MOTION CARRIED.

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16. Original Ordinance No. 2117, Amending Laramie Municipal Code Chapter 2.10 Related to Board and Commission Members

Introduction and First Reading. (Introduced by Newman)

MOTION BY NEWMAN, seconded by O'Doherty, to approve Original Ordinance No. 2117 on introduction and first reading, amending Laramie Municipal Code Chapter 2.10 related to board and commission members.

No public comment received.

Roll call showed Aye: Fried, Lockhart, Newman, O'Doherty, Vigil, and Cumbie. Nay: None. Absent: Bowling, Richardson, and Shumway. MOTION CARRIED.

16.A. Moved from Item #9.J. Resolution 2026-17, Amending City Council Rules of Procedure

MOTION BY NEWMAN, seconded by O'Doherty, to approve Resolution 2026-17, amending City Council Rules of Procedure, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign.

No public comment received on the main motion.

MOTION BY NEWMAN, seconded by Fried, to amend Resolution 2026-17 Attachment A Article 1, Rule 1. Section E. for the first two sentences to read as "Quarterly Town Hall Meetings. Held quarterly from 6-7:30 pm in different locations." and the rest to remain the same.

Public comment received on the amendment from the following:
Diana Seabeck.

Roll call on the amendment showed Aye: Fried, Lockhart, Newman, O'Doherty, Vigil, and Cumbie. Nay: None. Absent: Bowling, Richardson, and Shumway. MOTION CARRIED.

Roll call on the main motion as amended showed Aye: Fried, Lockhart, Newman, O'Doherty, Vigil, and Cumbie. Nay: None. Absent: Bowling, Richardson, and Shumway. MOTION CARRIED.

17. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

Public comment received from the following:
Tom Mattimore.

18. Consideration of future Council work session topics

None.

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19. Adjournment

MOTION BY NEWMAN, seconded by Fried, to adjourn.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote.

Council adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Approved:

Nancy Bartholomew
City Clerk

Date

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