BRIDGER TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES FOR A PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON AUGUST 5, 2025

The August 5, 2025 public hearing was held at 108 South D Street in Bridger. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and the meeting was brought to order by Mayor DeRudder at 6:30 pm. Council members present were Ryan Carson, Shala Cullum, Cliff Shultz and Doug Asbury. Others present were: Annie Halland, Eugene Sticka, Angela Kallevig, Tammy Schwend, Tom& Cheryl McCarten, Shirley Schwend, Brenda Racki, Tyler and Brittany Anthony, Joni Giovetti, Craig Lundvall, Scott Smith, Lona Weiss, Dana Zier, Tom & Kathy Mudd, Gerry Roth, Rick Newton, Doug VanVulkenburgh, Carbon County Commissioner Bill Bullock, William Kampfer, Jim Moran, Norma Berry, Ty Aukshun, Library Director Krystal Zentner, Attorney Ray Kuntz, Judge Bert Kraft, Public Works Director Randy Novakovich, Chief Mike Buechler and Clerk Kirstin Sweet.

The only agenda item was a public hearing for the zoning change for a property currently not classified. The property is Fair Haven Subdivision RV park addressed as 510 E Carbon Ave. Mayor DeRudder asked for public comment. The following people made comments or asked questions of the council and/or the developer: Joni Giovetti, Tom Mudd, Kathy Mudd, Eugene Sticka, Brenda Racki and Gerry Roth. Several others made comments and had discussion without identifying themselves or talking over each other in such a way that recording was impossible.

A petition was presented by members of the public to oppose the re-zoning of the property. No action or recognition was given to the petition.

There being no further business Councilman Shultz motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Asbury. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Carson – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman Shultz – aye and Councilman Asbury – aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:04pm.

Mark DeRudder, Mayor

ATTEST:

Karstin Sweet, Town Clerk

BRIDGER TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES FOR A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 5, 2025

The August 5, 2025 meeting of the Bridger Town Council was held at 108 South D Street in Bridger. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and the meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor DeRudder. Other council members present were Ryan Carson, Shala Cullum, Cliff Shultz and Doug Asbury. Others present were Angela Kallevig, Richard Newton, Eugene Sticka, Scott Smith, Joni Giovetti, Carbon County Commissioner Bill Bullock, Dana Zier, Kathy Mudd, Doug VanVulkenburgh, Lonna Weiss, Cheryl & Tom McCarten, Shirley Schwend, Tammy Schwend, Craig Lundvall, Jim Moran, Brenda Racki, Ty Aukshun, Tyler & Brittany Anthony, Annie Halland, Lonna "Peach" Weiss, Randy Hafner, Public Works Director Randy Novakovich, Attorney Ray Kuntz, Judge Bert Kraft, Library Director Krystal Zentner, Chief Mike Buechler, Public Works Director Randy Novakovich and Clerk Kirstin Sweet.

The next item on the agenda was public comment. Judge Bert Kraft commented on the new fountain in Jim Bridger Park.

The next item was correspondence. Clerk Sweet presented correspondence to the council.

Next on the agenda was the committee reports. Agela Kallevig gave a report on the planning board. Dana Zier gave a report on the historical society.

Resolution #293 to change the zoning of a property not currently zoned. A motion to approve the resolution was made by Councilman Shultz, seconded by Councilman Carson. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Carson – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman Shultz – aye, and Councilman Asbury – aye.

Resolution #294 to approve a new special events policy. Discussion was had regarding the administrative approval of the applications rather than bringing them before the council each month. Amendments were made to the policy to include initials from each of the department heads from the police department, the clerk's office and the public works department. Also, added was #8 for an appeal process. A motion to approve the resolution was made by Councilman Asbury, seconded by Councilman Carson. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Carson – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman Shultz – aye, and Councilman Asbury – aye.

Next was approval of the growth policy survey. Clerk Sweet explained the survey. A motion to approve the survey was made by Councilwoman Cullum, seconded by Councilman Asbury. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Carson – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman Shultz – aye, and Councilman Asbury – aye.

Library board appointment was next on the agenda. A motion to appoint Summer Karp was made by Councilman Shultz, seconded by Councilwoman Cullum. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Carson – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman Shultz – aye, and Councilman Asbury – aye.

Discussion regarding the old town hall was next on the agenda. Clerk Sweet asked to have mold testing added to the bid so that we can figure out how to get access to some of the damaged records in town hall. A motion to approve the mold testing was made by Councilwoman Cullum, seconded by Councilman Asbury. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Carson – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman Shultz – aye, and Councilman Asbury – aye. Discussion was had regarding the old town shop located on B St. Public Works Director Novakovich will access the building and determine if the roof can be repaired.

Next was discussion regarding a new town hall. There were no new updates.

The consent agenda was next on the agenda. Department heads answered questions regarding the claims. A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Councilwoman Cullum and seconded by Councilman Asbury. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Carson – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman Shultz – aye, and Councilman Asbury – aye. The items included were minutes from 07-08-2025 regular meetings. Claim checks #35413 to #35452 and electronic checks #-97935 to #-97929 for July. Payroll checks #35389 to #35399 and #35401 to #35412 and electronic checks #-84686 to #-84653 for July.

Attorney Kuntz updated the council regarding items he is working on.

Judge Kraft presented his reports for the month of Jully.

Library Director Zentner had nothing to report.

Public Works Director Novakovich updated the council regarding projects he is working on.

Chief Buechler presented his stats for the month of July.

Clerk Sweet asked the council to set a budget meeting date. The budget meeting will be September 2, 2025.

Mayor and Town Council: nothing to report.

There being no further business Councilman Shultz motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carson. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Carson – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman Shultz – aye, and Councilman Asbury – aye. The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 pm.

Attest:

Mark DeRudder, Mayor