

**BRIDGER TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES FOR A REGULAR MEETING
HELD ON APRIL 7, 2026**

The April 7, 2026, 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 Shultz. Other council members present were Ryan Carson, Angela Kallevig, Mark DeRudder and Tyler Anthony. Others present were Dana Zier, Dale Bemis, Attorney Ray Kuntz, Officer Chase Wells, Chief Mike Buechler, Judge Bert Kraft, Public Works Director Randy Novakovich and Clerk Kirstin Sweet.

The next item on the agenda was public comment. None was offered.

Correspondence. None.

Next on the agenda was the committee reports. Dana Zier offered information regarding the Bridger Historical Society. Councilwoman Kallevig gave a planning board update.

Next was the Group Health Election form. Clerk Sweet explained that she would like the council to keep the options the same as in previous years. While we would like to offer benefits to part-time employees, Clerk Sweet is not comfortable with offering that for the fiscal year 2026-2027. A motion to keep the benefit plans the same as previous years was made by Councilman DeRudder, seconded by Councilman Carson. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Carson – aye, Councilwoman Kallevig– aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye, and Councilman Anthony – aye.

Resolution #299 for disposal of surplus property was next on the agenda. Mayor Shultz read the resolution. A motion to approve the resolution was made by Councilman Carson, seconded by Councilwoman Kalleig. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Carson – aye, Councilwoman Kallevig– aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye, and Councilman Anthony – aye.

The next agenda item was discussion / decision regarding the old town hall. Public Works Director Novakovich reported that work is completed on the old town shop located on S C Street. The building will be used for storage for the Public Works Department. Next was discussion/decision regarding the old town hall located on S B Street. A proposal from Beartooth RC&D was presented for approval. This will allow for assessment of the old town hall building. A motion to approve the proposal from Beartooth RC&D was made by Councilman Carson, seconded by Councilwoman Kallevig. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Carson – aye, Councilwoman Kallevig– aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye, and Councilman Anthony – aye.

Discussion regarding a new town hall was next on the agenda. There are no new updates on this agenda item. Discussion was had regarding the lack of any progress on this agenda item. Mayor Shultz instructed Clerk Sweet to no longer place this item on the agenda as a standing item. We will bring back the item when new information is available.

The consent agenda was next on the agenda. A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Councilman DeRudder and seconded by Councilman Anthony. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Carson – aye, Councilwoman Kallevig– aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye, and Councilman Anthony – aye. Minutes included were March 10, 2026 regular meeting. Claim checks #35748 to #35788. Electronic checks #-97876 to #-97870 for March. Payroll electronic checks #-84410 to #-84371 for March.

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

Judge Kraft presented his stats for March.

Library Director Zentner was not present.

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

Chief Buechler presented his stats for the month of March.

Clerk Sweet had nothing to report.

Mayor and Town Council: Councilman DeRudder reported on some zoning changes that he would like to see in regard to property surrounding the airport runway. He requested we work on that and have it on a future agenda.

There being no further business Councilman DeRudder motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carson. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Carson – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, and Councilman Asbury – aye. The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 pm.

Clifford Shultz

Cliff Shultz Mayor

Attest:

Kirstin Sweet
Kirstin Sweet, Town Clerk