



BRISTOL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, September 3, 2026 at 7:04 PM
Council Chamber Bristol Municipal Complex

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Jeff Beachy called the regular council meeting to order on Thursday, September 3, 2026 at 7:04 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - led by Cathy Antonelli.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Doug DeSmith, Tony Davidson, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy.

Member absent: Cathy Burke.

Others in attendance: Marshal Steve Priem, Legal Counsel Alex Bowman, Clerk-Treasurer Cathy Antonelli, Town Manager Mike Yoder, Assistant Fire Chief James Hanes.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Legal Counsel Alex Bowman requested addition of Item 9A, Public Hearing for Ordinance No. 8-20-2026-22 regarding the Raber Fund.

*** Motion to amend the agenda to add Item 9A** made by Doug DeSmith, Seconded by Tony Davidson. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Tony Davidson, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy. **Motion carries.**

APPROVAL OF INVOICES

*** Motion to approve the invoices** made by Tony Davidson, Seconded by Doug DeSmith. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Tony Davidson, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy. **Motion carries.**

REPORTS

TOWN MANAGER - Mike Yoder

*** Motion to approve SRF Disbursement No. 59 in the amount of \$44,051 to Commonwealth Engineers** made by Tony Davidson, Seconded by Doug DeSmith. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Tony Davidson, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy. **Motion carries.**

*** Motion to approve SRF Disbursement No. 68 in the amount of \$50,612 to JPR Engineering** made by Gregg Tuholski, Seconded by Doug DeSmith. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Tony Davidson, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy. **Motion carries.**

Mr. Yoder presented the CCMG 2027 Commitment Letter for the Ponderosa Project requesting \$1 million in State funding.

*** Motion to approve the CCMG Commitment Letter for the Ponderosa Project** made by Doug DeSmith, Seconded by Tony Davidson. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Tony Davidson, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy. **Motion carries.**

Mr. Yoder provided updates regarding the new salt storage building, Street Department building construction, and the new water tower project.

Jill Swartz presented an Adopt-a-Welcome-Sign pilot program. Council expressed support for moving forward with the program and promotion in the October newsletter.

CLERK-TREASURER - Cathy Antonelli

Clerk-Treasurer Antonelli reported successful completion of the Town's SLFRF grant reporting and project closeout. The Town's \$383,453 award was utilized for water utility infrastructure improvements, including water main replacement and advanced water meter installation.

Ms. Antonelli also reported completion of annual opioid settlement reporting and distribution planning to Oaklawn's mental health facility project.

Ms. Antonelli presented an Additional Appropriation Ordinance No. 10-1-2026-23 in the amount of \$108,224.

*** Motion to publish notice for Additional Appropriation Ordinance No. 10-1-2026-23** made by Doug DeSmith, Seconded by Gregg Tuholski. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Tony Davidson, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy. **Motion carries.**

Increase:

FUND #	Appropriation #	Amount	Reason
2565 GGT	2565-001-4500	\$87,452	GGT Reimbursement
4436 EDIT	4436-001-4316	\$10,000	Contractual services
2256 Opioid Unrestricted	2256-001-4325	\$ 5,195.57	Opioid unrestricted distribution to the Mental Health Crisis Center per Council decision 5.4.2023
2257 Opioid Restricted	2257-001-4325	\$ 5,576.70	Opioid restricted distribution to the Mental Health Crisis Center per Council decision 5.4.2023

Total: \$108,224

TOWN ATTORNEY - Alex Bowman

Attorney Bowman presented Ordinance No. 8-20-2026-22 declaring Raber Golf Course funds dormant and transferring the balances to the Rainy Day Fund.

PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCE NO. 8-20-2026-22

Council President Beachy opened the public hearing. Hearing no comments, the public hearing was closed.

* **Motion to approve Ordinance No. 8-20-2026-22 on second reading** made by Tony Davidson, Seconded by Doug DeSmith. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Tony Davidson, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy. **Motion carries.**

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Martha Lung, 3311 Bridgetown Road, asked questions regarding data center zoning, the withdrawn Kaufman/Wilhelm application, and moratorium authority.

Tony Bures, 809 N. Division Street, expressed concerns regarding Flock license plate readers, privacy, due process, and transparency.

Lester Otto, 18686 CR 23, asked questions regarding the Raber Golf Course transaction, investor commitments, improvements to the golf course, and the future of the Blue Course property.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION ITEMS

Doug DeSmith - No items

Tony Davidson - No items.

Cathy Burke - Absent.

Gregg Tuholski inquired about replacement of the large American flag near the American Legion. Staff reported a replacement flag has been purchased and installation is pending.

Jeff Beachy - No items.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

September 15, 2026 Executive Session 7:00 p.m.

September 17, 2026 Regular Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

* **Motion to adjourn** made by Gregg Tuholski, Seconded by Tony Davidson. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Tony Davidson, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy. **Motion carries.**

* **Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.**

Jeff Beachy, Council President

Cathy Antonelli, Clerk-Treasurer

These minutes are a summary of actions taken at the Bristol Town Council meeting. The full video archive of the meeting is available for viewing through the Town meeting archive system for as long as the media is supported.