



TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING

February, 3, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Town Hall – 405 HWY 414, Mountain View, WY 82939

MINUTES

The February 3, 2026, workshop convened at 6:00 pm. The following were present; Mayor Bryan Ayres, Council President Jamy Ferrin, Council Members, Michael Tims, and Brittney Brunski-Deckert, Clerk, Penny Robbins, Chief of Police, Mark Erramouspe, Public Work Director Jake Porter, and Attorney, Brandon Taylor.

The following items were discussed:

Water Restriction Ordinance Draft

The draft builds on existing Code 16.04.220; black text reflects current law (parts of A, C, D). A new structure adds predefined phases:

Phase 1: Voluntary conservation; early public notice.

Phase 2: Lawn irrigation every other day, only before 10 a.m. or after 6 p.m.; optional limits on vehicle washing, pool filling, and other discretionary outdoor uses to be set by council resolution.

Phase 3: Restricts all nonessential water uses.

Restrictions are activated and adjusted by council resolution; escalation can occur via subsequent resolutions as conditions worsen. Sections C and D cover notice and enforcement; violations are enforceable under existing provisions.

Public response expectations draw on past experience: JPB announcements led to 50–60% demand reductions within 1–2 days; residents prioritize essential indoor use over lawn irrigation during shortages.

Applicability: Ordinance applies only to municipal water through town meters; private wells and permitted non-municipal sources are outside town control.

New lawn establishment: Includes a 30-day watering allowance for newly installed lawns to protect investments, with a communication plan to discourage new lawns in tight water years.

Prioritization of uses: Other municipalities rank priorities (fire suppression, domestic, livestock, etc.). Current draft does not include a detailed hierarchy but can be expanded if desired.

Conclusion: General support for a phased framework tied to formal council resolutions.

Water Loading Stations and Large-Volume Users. Add ordinance/resolution provisions addressing loading station use; define or limit industrial/commercial hauling; require declarations of domestic use; set equitable volume caps (per-trip/week); require JPB pre-approval for large planned draws; allow separate loading station account limits by resolution for non-residential uses; operational limits may vary by water year and be set case-by-case.

BV Little League – Amanda Barnes

Schedule: Major League games start May 18; Opening Day May 30; last day June 27; senior league dual-enrolled with Legion.

Park use agreement: Add clause that the town may be restricted in watering the field and reserves the right to restrict field use based on conditions.

Safety considerations: Baseball primarily plays on dirt.

include watering limitation and field use restriction language in park rules; concession agreement to be approved next meeting and then signed; schedules to follow team set-up.

Board Appointments

BVJPB - Jacob Porter - Ends December 31, 2028

LU Revolving Loan Fund – Lewis Thomas – Ends February 1, 2030

Uinta County Economic Development Board (confirmation pending for Brian Woody).

1 seat available for LU Revolving Loan Fund

2 seats available for MV Planning and Zoning

Citizen of the Year?

Continue identifying potential honorees.

Master Plan

Planning and Zoning is working on zoning changes, including high-density housing to support economic development. Jake is compiling information for Brandon and council to align with the master plan. Ongoing process to develop zoning changes and ensure alignment with the master plan. Consider a permit/license system for trailer parks, similar to liquor licenses, potentially renewed annually, with enforcement targeting landowners/operators (not tenants).

Mayors Report

Commissioner meeting attendance. Bureau of Reclamation conducted post-earthquake dam inspections; appreciation noted. Mosquito abatement coverage confirmed through June 30, 2026. Ongoing work on the water restriction ordinance with Penny; Brandon to provide updates.

Legal Counsel Report

Water restriction ordinance under review; leases provided and awaiting signatures. Tourism website nearing launch; compliance review completed. Addressing nuisance issues with Jake and Mark; identified possible deficiencies in the bond schedule; verify adoption and comprehensiveness (last update ~3.5–4 years ago). Reviewing investment policies; lodging tax renewal scheduled for fall. Reviewing public records request policy for readiness.

Administrative Report

Review of legislative bills WAM will be working during session that starts on February 9th. December statement shows revenues around/above 50% of annual expectation; expenditures under 50%; tracking close to budget mid-year. Gather police input on single license plate proposal implications

250th Events: “Clash of the Cans” completed; \$51 cash donations split among three food banks; food items sorted. Large Styrofoam bison “Bridger” to appear over the Fourth of July. Recognition night at high school on the thirteenth for teams from 50 years ago. Fall Festival is scheduled for September 12; we need volunteers, including council spouses and public. Town to serve as umbrella while delegating responsibilities.

Public Works Report

Work on planning and zoning, potential new zoning districts, and ordinance drafting. Union is in the process of installing fiber to the office and additionally installing a dish at the crow’s nest in the park for Wi-Fi, repair to a sewer line connection on Walker Lane, reported at the Emergency Management meeting that the dams were checked after the earthquake with no damage.

Police Report

No new response from the potential part time officer, still working to get DiGi Ticket set up for the town and question if a group of people were to have a peaceful rally/march needed to come before the council.

Bryan Ayres, Mayor

ATTEST:

Penny Robbins, Town Clerk