



City of Sidney, MT
City Council Regular Meeting 7-21-25
July 21, 2025 6:30 PM
115 2nd Street SE | Sidney, MT 59270

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Meeting ID: 713 080 5898 Passcode: 4332809 Call: 1-346-248-7799

1. Call to Order

Mayor Norby called the regular meeting of the Sidney City Council to order at 6:30pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was stated by all present.

3. Aldermen Present

Christensen, Buxbaum, Larson, Rasmussen, and DiFonzo.

Absent: Koffler

4. Correction or Approval of Minutes

a. July 7th, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion was made to approve.

Motion made by Alderwoman Buxbaum, Seconded by Alderwoman Larson.

Voting Yea: Alderwoman Rasmussen, Alderman DiFonzo, Alderwoman Buxbaum, Alderwoman Christensen, Alderwoman Larson

b. July 15th, 2025 Water/Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes

Motion was made to approve.

Motion made by Alderwoman Buxbaum, Seconded by Alderwoman Larson.

Voting Yea: Alderwoman Rasmussen, Alderman DiFonzo, Alderwoman Buxbaum, Alderwoman Christensen, Alderwoman Larson

5. Visitors

Jordan Mayer, Alan Seigfreid, Amanda Seigfreid, Kelsey Hart, Kal Tucker (Maguire), Malcolm Richerson (Gerard Tank), Nick Gerard (Gerard Tank), Jen Doty, Melissa Boyer.

Via Zoom: James Falcon

Nick Gerard (Gerard Tank) and Kal Tucker (Maguire) introduced themselves and gave business background and experience history of their companies as the two bidders for the North Park Elevated Water Tank Project.

Kelsey Hart (Rouge Salon) seeking council approval to close the 1st block of East Main Street for sidewalk sales on August 22nd from 11:30am to 7:00pm. She will ensure that vehicles are removed from the street prior to barricades being placed in the alley and side street. Mrs. Hart will have a porta-potty placed to reduce the bathroom usage at the Village Square Mall during the event. Mayor Norby requested for Mrs. Hart to speak with law enforcement for approval.

Motion was made to approve closing East Main Street August 22nd from 11:30am to 7:00pm with law enforcement approval.

Motion made by Alderwoman Rasmussen, Seconded by Alderwoman Christensen.
Voting Yea: Alderwoman Rasmussen, Alderman DiFonzo, Alderwoman Buxbaum, Alderwoman Christensen, Alderwoman Larson

6. Public Hearing

Nothing.

7. Mayor Norby

a. Update:

Nothing.

8. Committee Meeting Work

a. Water and Sewer Committee Meeting-North Park Elevated Water Tank Project-Bid Award Recommendation for Schedule 2

Motion was made to table the North Park Elevated Water Tank Project-Bid Award Recommendation for Schedule 2.

Motion made by Alderman DiFonzo, Seconded by Alderwoman Rasmussen.
Voting Yea: Alderwoman Rasmussen, Alderman DiFonzo, Alderwoman Buxbaum, Alderwoman Christensen, Alderwoman Larson

b. Call for Park and Rec Committee-Johnson Park Parking Lot

Park and Rec Committee Meeting scheduled for Monday, August 4th at 5:30pm to discuss Johnson Park Parking Lot. Alderwoman Larson will attend via zoom.

9. Alderman Requests and Committee Reports

Budget and Finance – Chairman Christensen – DiFonzo, Koffler. Police and Fire– Chairman DiFonzo – Rasmussen, Larson. Parks and Recreation – Chairman Christensen – Larson, Rasmussen. Water and Sewer – Chairman Buxbaum – Christensen, DiFonzo. Street and Alley – Chairman Rasmussen – DiFonzo, Koffler. Sanitation– Chairman Larson – Koffler, Buxbaum. City Buildings & Street Lighting – Chairman Koffler – Buxbaum, Christensen

Alderman DiFonzo requested the podium for guest speakers be moved forward a few feet so visitors were not obstructed by the pillar next to the podium. The podium was adjusted during the meeting to councils approval.

10. Unfinished Business

Nothing.

11. New Business

a. Seigfreid Agency Sidewalk Contract

PWD Hintz stated that curb and gutter were replaced along with sidewalks around Seigfreid Agency at 120 2nd Street NE and looks great. The City of Sidney drafted a contract for Seigfreid Agency for repayment of the sidewalk replacement. The contracted repayment amount is for \$34,567.00, including a flat financing fee of \$1500.00, to be paid in annual payments of \$3456.70 over the next ten years.

Amanda Seigfreid thanked the City Council and PWD Hintz for the curb, gutter, and sidewalk replacements and contract for repayment.

Motion was made to approve the Seigfreid Agency Sidewalk Contract.

Motion made by Alderman DiFonzo, Seconded by Alderwoman Christensen.

Voting Yea: Alderwoman Rasmussen, Alderman DiFonzo, Alderwoman Buxbaum, Alderwoman Christensen, Alderwoman Larson

12. City Planner

Nothing.

13. City Attorney

a. Resolution No. 3949-Setting FY25-26 Wages

Mayor Norby read Resolution No. 3949- Setting FY25-26 Wages.

Motion was made to approve Resolution No. 3949- Setting FY25-26 Wages.

Motion made by Alderman DiFonzo, Seconded by Alderwoman Christensen.

Voting Yea: Alderwoman Rasmussen, Alderman DiFonzo, Alderwoman Buxbaum, Alderwoman Christensen, Alderwoman Larson

14. Chief of Police

a. June 2025 Police Department Report

June 2025 Police Department Report was presented. Chief Kraft was not in attendance due to training out of town.

15. Public Works Director

a. June 2025 Public Works Report

PWD Hintz presented the June 2025 Public Works Report. PWD Hintz stated that approximately 70% of the summer paving projects are completed. The asphalt supplier is down for repair at this time but hoping to complete the last of the paving next week.

PWD Hintz reported that there was a catastrophe at the wastewater treatment plant on Saturday, July 19th. A morning thunder storm caused a power outage Saturday that affected the wastewater treatment plant south of Sidney. The generator did not engage during the power outage, causing flooding inside the headworks building. The flooding damaged the building and mechanical equipment and is under investigation. PWD Hintz stated that the power was restored by that afternoon and that cleanup is being done.

Alderman DiFonzo asked if the paving projects follow a schedule. PWD Hintz replied that paving typically follows the water and wastewater replacement or repair projects to re-pave the disrupted street. Other paving projects are on an as needed schedule, as 11th and 12th Street SW and Main Street were done this year. Alderman DiFonzo asked if the Wagon Wheel streets were on the schedule. PWD Hintz stated that he plans to fill some of the potholes in that subdivision this year but the streets need a full re-construct not just overlay.

b. June 2025 Compliance Officer Report

PWD Hintz presented the June 2025 Compliance Officer Report. There were 76 properties noticed for mowing and all but 3 have been abated. Currently there are 4 properties approved to be noticed by the Nuisance Committee for Abatements.

Lacey Dynneson has been hired as the new Compliance Officer and is currently in training.

16. Fire Marshal/Building Inspector

Nothing.

17. City Clerk/Treasurer

a. June 2025 Reports-on hold until FYE Closed

June 2025 Reports are on hold until FYE is closed.

18. Consent Agenda

Motion was made to approve the claims.

Motion made by Alderman DiFonzo, Seconded by Alderwoman Larson.

Voting Yea: Alderwoman Rasmussen, Alderman DiFonzo, Alderwoman Buxbaum, Alderwoman Christensen, Alderwoman Larson

a. Claims to be approved: \$358,782.29

Intermediary (\$573.58)

RCF&R \$400.00

MDU \$37.66

MDU \$135.92

b. Building Permits to be approved:

19. Adjournment

at 6:56pm.