



Montana's Sunrise City

115 2nd Street S.E., Sidney, Montana - 406-433-2809

Nuisance Committee Meeting 5/26/26

May 26, 2026 3:30 PM

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

1. Approval of Minutes

2. Roll Call

Committee Members Present:

City Officials/ Staff Present:

Committee Members Present: Alderman Kauffman, Mayor Norby, PWD Hintz. Absent: FM/BI Rasmussen.

City Officials/Staff Present: Compliance Officer Schroeder, Interim Clerk/Treasurer Lange, Chief Kraft.

3. Public Comment/ Visitors

Your opportunity for the public to address the Committee on items not included on the agenda, no action will be taken during this time.

Nothing.

4. New Properties

Nothing.

5. Properties in Process

Discussion was held regarding nuisance properties currently under review and abatement proceedings. Compliance Officer Schroeder reported the following properties on the agenda remain active nuisance cases.

Compliance Officer Schroeder reported ten-day nuisance letters were sent to the property owners on May 21, 2026, with compliance deadlines expiring June 5, 2026. It was further explained that once the compliance period expires, the City will proceed with obtaining court orders necessary for abatement and contractor cleanup reimbursement.

Discussion occurred regarding the Wilson property, which was recently sold. Compliance Officer Schroeder explained letters were sent to all known interested parties, including the listed owner, conservatorship contacts, legal representatives, and the listing agency to ensure notice requirements were satisfied prior to the property sale. Committee members discussed whether the nuisance process would restart under new ownership or continue under the current enforcement timeline. PWD Hintz researched during the meeting and concluded that the property was purchased by Tony Hanson and the property will be abated before the end of June.

Additional discussion occurred regarding the Molloy property at 703 6th St SE. Compliance Officer Schroeder reported a letter had been drafted and sent from FM/BI Rasmussen regarding renewed concerns at the property and stated the property has repeatedly appeared on the nuisance list over time.

Committee members also revisited a previously discussed property near Second Street SE involving reports of furniture and debris being burned in the yard a few months prior. No additional recent complaints had been received regarding the property, although discussion occurred regarding seasonal fire concerns and recent fire restrictions.

- a. Bargain Garage: 1440 South Central Avenue, Sidney, MT 59270
- b. Crowe: 709 5th Street SE, Sidney, MT 59270
- c. Wilson: 710 3rd Street SE, Sidney, MT 59270
- d. Giddens: 411 6th Street SE, Sidney, MT 59270

6. Properties Requesting Extension

None.

7. Abated Properties

None.

8. Compliance Officer Update

- a. Compliance Officer Update

Compliance Officer Schroeder stated that a new compliance mower will be hired this week.

9. Adjournment

at 3:43pm.

Meeting Guidelines

- We ask that all participants be respectful and courteous.
- Please direct comments to the Council as a whole.
- When speaking, please state your name for the record.
- Be mindful of others by keeping comments concise and avoiding repetition.
- The presiding officer may guide speaking time to help the meeting run smoothly.
- Disruptive behavior may result in removal from the meeting.