

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SINCLAIR TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SINCLAIR, WYOMING, HELD AT 5:30 P.M. ON THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2026, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE SINCLAIR TOWN OFFICE BUILDING.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' PRESENT: Mayor Cullen Meeks, Councilmember Michelle Serres, Councilmember Brennan Dunlap, Councilmember Nancy Sanders, and Councilmember David Robinson excused.

TOWN EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Clerk/Treasurer Becky Slater, Assistant Treasurer Gina Helmetag, Maintenance Supervisor Chris Haldorson, Museum Worker Rachael Barnhart, Police Chief Jeff Sanders, Interim Fire Chief Levi Bezold and Town Attorney Mike Roberts. Community Events Director Monte Thayer excused.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Meeks led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Councilmember Dunlap made a motion to approve May 7, 2026, Council Minutes. Seconded by Councilmember Sanders, the motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Councilmember Serres made a motion to approve tonight's agenda. Seconded by Councilmember Dunlap, the motion passed unanimously.

GUESTS: Kara Choquette with Power Company of Wyoming and Devon Schumacher with TransWest Express. Choquette presented the council with a PowerPoint print out of the upcoming Miller Project Substation which is part of the wind projects of Sierra Madre and Chokecherry. Choquette told council that the Miller Project would be located south of Sinclair and that the pad has already been completed. Councilmember Sanders asked if this would economically be a boost to Sinclair, Choquette stated sales and taxes to Carbon County would be a direct distribution, impact assistance would be sent to the county and divided out based on sales tax. Choquette told the council that the Miller Project would not deliver power in our area as our area's power is from Rocky Mountain Power, but if the data center was here that would help economically.

MUSEUM: Museum Worker Rachael Barnhart shared with the council she had seven people attend the museum scavenger hunt on May 16, 2026, with four kids and three adults and they had fun.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Interim Fire Chief Levi Bezold told the council no calls and training have been slow.

STREETS & PARKS DEPARTMENT: Maintenance Supervisor Chris Haldorson told the council there is a sink hole around Cleveland and 9th street, and that Kassey Westring from North Fork Engineering came out to mark it up and Jon Nelson will call next week and let Haldorson know if American West would be able to come out to take care of the repair. Haldorson told council there is a compact issue by big manhole on Cleveland and 10th street as well.

Haldorson told council 75% of the sprinklers are now on, and the fountain is going and clean-up has begun to clean streets of fallen branches from last weekend's snowstorm.

SANITARY LANDFILL, SANITARY & STORM SEWERS, WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY AND WATER DEPARTMENT: Haldorson stated to the council that he wanted to thank Stevie for her assistance during the lost communication due to the power outage and showing how to fill tank up if there was a fire in the area. Mayor Meeks told Haldorson to coordinate with Interim Fire Chief Bezold how much water would be needed if we had another long-term power outage.

Haldorson told council Patrick with Core & Main updated the computer and will be out sometime in June to show how us how to reset tablet to meter when parts are replaced.

TOWN BUILDINGS: Haldorson shared with the council there is a leak on the post office roof with the water going down wall above membrane. Haldorson told the council that they had set-up pump on the roof to pump out water out. Haldorson stated to the council that the cause of the leak was ice had plugged the drain. Haldorson told council we could use more water in the lagoons.

Haldorson told the council that Maintenance Worker Corey Davis is just about finished with the church repairs. Haldorson told the council that a replacement of sink, toilet and add new fixtures,

reorganize stuff for storage, as church used it as storage area. Mayor Meeks told Haldorson when all is completed to have Wyoming Cleaning & Solutions clean and shampoo carpets inside the church.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Police Chief Jeff Sanders told the council he appreciated the Mayor, Haldorson and Hunter Haldorson for cleaning off the old highway and assisting those stuck on the old highway, including him. Sanders told council there are eight residents that are on oxygen and he checked on them periodically during the power outage.

Sanders told council that the Alert Sense which is the code red alert for Sinclair only has two people in the whole county to push the button Lenny Leyman and Tracy Newbrough and both were not available to do so during the snowstorm.

Mayor Meeks told council and maintenance we should invest in an emergency generator for the old elementary school and town hall for future needs to better serve if another catastrophe was to happen.

Chief Sanders asked for approval to replace truck tires with the Discount Tire Company in the amount of \$1,264.00. Councilmember Dunlap made a motion to approve \$1,264.00 to Discount Tire Company. Seconded by Councilmember Serres, the motion passed unanimously with Councilmember Sanders abstaining.

RECREATION/EVENTS DEPARTMENT: Clerk/Treasurer Becky Slater told council the Wyoming Arts Council Grant that Events Director Monte Thayer submitted was not granted. Slater also told council that Thayer would like input on possibly bringing in an Elvis Impersonator that was a finalist on Americas Got Talent for an indoor or outdoor concert in the future, and cost would be between \$3,000.00 to \$3,500.00.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT: Clerk/Treasurer Becky Slater reminded council of workshop Wednesday May 27, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.

TOWN ATTORNEY: Town Attorney Mike Roberts told the council he is still working on resolution between Mayor and Fire Department for protocol reference of Ordinance 2026-01.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Mayor Meeks asked for a motion to approve the 3rd reading of Ordinance 2026-01. Councilmember Serres made a motion to approve the 3rd reading of Ordinance 2026-01. Seconded by Councilmember Sanders, the motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Meeks asked for a motion to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 2026-02. Councilmember Dunlap made a motion to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 2026-01. Seconded by Councilmember Serres, the motion passed unanimously.

BILLS: Councilmember Dunlap made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilmember Serres, the motion passed unanimously.

Councilmember Sanders made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:05p.m. Seconded by Councilmember Serres, the motion passed unanimously. Mayor Meeks adjourned the meeting at 7:055 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled council meeting will be on June 4, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Town Hall building.

The Council Meetings are recorded sessions available for public view at the Townhall office.

Cullen Meeks, Mayor
TOWN OF SINCLAIR

ATTEST: CLERK/TREASURER