

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN HOME, ELMORE COUNTY, IDAHO,
HELD ON SEPTEMBER 9th, 2025, AT 5:00 P.M.
AT MOUNTAIN HOME CITY HALL CHAMBERS
MOUNTAIN HOME, IDAHO

22450 CALL MEETING TO ORDER/ESTABLISH A QUORUM

22450 RECOGNIZING PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE

22450 CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

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22450 CONSENT AGENDA – All matters listed within this Consent

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- 2) Bills from 8/27/2025 to 9/9/2025 in the amount of \$1,828,897.73
- 3) Approve payroll for the period of 07/22/2025 to 8/21/2025 in the amount of \$882,530.91

22450 OLD BUSINESS

- 1) Action Item: Deliberation/Decision regarding the creation of a golf advisory committee.
- 2) Action Item: Deliberation/Decision concerning the declaration of the intent of the City to exchange City-owned real property owned by AgEquity LLC., and set a public hearing date of October 14, 2025.
- 3) Action Item: Deliberation/Decision to amend Resolution 17-2025R and authorize the Mayor to sign.

22451 NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Items removed from the Consent Agenda

22451 FINAL COMMENTS

22451 ADJOURN

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The Council of the City of Mountain Home, Elmore County, Idaho, met at the Mountain Home City Hall Chambers, 160 South 3rd East, Mountain Home, Idaho on September 9th, 2025. A quorum was established with Councilwoman Wirkkala, Councilman Harjo, and Mayor Sykes being present. Councilwoman Garvey present via Teams. Councilman Brennan present by phone.

RECOGNIZING PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE

Decker Sanders spoke regarding Old Business No. 1.

Bill Vanhandle came forward to speak again about maps and asked if there was a procedure or requirement for digital aid when presenting.

Rod Dudley wanted to thank the City for the fiber at the Cemetery as they were able to get online and locate family members' plots. He also wanted it known that he really enjoyed Air Force Appreciation Day and wanted to thank everyone that put that on.

Don Gust had some questions regarding Old Business No. 2 and Old Business No. 3.

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No Council Members had anything to declare.

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Councilman Harjo made a motion to accept the consent agenda as printed. Councilwoman Wirkkala seconded the motion. The vote goes as follows: Councilwoman Wirkkala; aye, Councilman Brennan; aye, Councilwoman Garvey; aye, Councilman Harjo; aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

OLD BUSINESS

1) Action Item: Deliberation/Decision regarding the creation of a golf advisory committee.

Councilwoman Wirkkala mentioned that there hasn't been an advisory committee since 2014 and given the concerns and issues that have been brought up she would like to see if one can be set up again.

Councilman Harjo asked if the golf course advisory board would have line authority over budget or personnel, which would not be statutorily supported or really within the best interest of the operation. He also did not believe in comparing this potential board to the Airport Advisory Committee as they are very different.

Councilwoman Wirkkala made a motion to approve the creation of a golf advisory committee. Councilwoman Garvey seconded the motion. The vote goes as follows: Councilwoman Garvey; aye, Councilwoman Wirkkala; aye, Councilman Harjo; nay, Councilman Brennan; nay. The vote being a tie Mayor Sykes voted nay and the motion failed.

2) Action Item: Deliberation/Decision concerning the declaration of the intent of the City to exchange City-owned real property for the real property owned by AgEquity LLC., and set a public hearing date of October 14, 2025.

Tiffany Belt, City Clerk, started by saying that the public hearing originally had a date set for September 23, 2025 and it was missed by one day of public notification so it needed to be pushed out.

Councilman Harjo made a motion to approve deliberation/decision concerning the declaration of the intent of the City to exchange City-owned real property for the real property owned by AgEquity LLC., and set a public hearing date of October 14, 2025. Councilwoman Wirkkala seconded the motion. The vote goes as follows: Councilman Harjo; aye, Councilwoman Wirkkala; aye, Councilman Brennan; aye, Councilwoman Garvey; aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

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Tiffany Belt said that the reason for bringing this back to discussion was due to Councilman Brennan bringing up Canal Road, that road was not on the Council's draft. She went on to discuss the boundaries and their locations.

There was continued discussion about boundary lines to be updated with Tiffany Belt and the Council.

Councilman Harjo made a motion to amend Resolution 17-2025R encompassing staff recommendations on Council Minutes – September 9, 2025

the area of impact in the area to include the areas of Wilson Circle and associated and go no farther west and not encompass the agricultural area as well as encompassing what was give as Option C along the corridor of I-84 along Canyon Creek. Councilman Brennan seconded the motion. The vote goes as follows: Councilman Harjo; aye, Councilwoman Wirkkala; aye, Councilman Brennan; aye, Councilwoman Garvey; recuses. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS

1) Items removed from the Consent Agenda

There were no Items removed from the Consent Agenda for consideration.

FINAL COMMENTS

Councilwoman Wirkkala said she had a woman reach out regarding her water bill and asked if a petition could be started to give senior citizens a break with their water bills.

There was a discussion between Councilwoman Wirkkala, Mayor Sykes, and City staff regarding possible options and struggles.

Councilwoman Wirkkala said that she would work on a resolution for staff direction on this matter.

Councilman Brennan, Councilman Harjo, and Mayor Sykes gave shoutouts to everyone that worked on and volunteered for AFAD.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 5:42 p.m. by orders from Mayor Sykes.


Rich Sykes, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Tiffany Belt, City Clerk

