Elk River City Council Meeting Minutes



Wednesday, July 16, 2025 9:15 a.m. – 10:14 a.m.

Andrew Bloom Community Center, 112 South Second Street, Elk River, Idaho

Members present: Mayor Dave Brown, Councilwoman Tena Williams, Councilwoman Debbie

Manwaring, Councilwoman Marsha Martin

Members absent: Councilwoman Denise Schroedl

Staff present: Christina Bartlett: Clerk/Treasurer, Randy Ball: Public Works

Visitors: Lawren and Teresa Harper, Laura Krueger, Ricky Trott, Rob Davis, David McIntyre: DEQ,

Ethan & Bailee Puderbaugh

1. Call to order

• Mayor Dave called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
 - Was said.
- 3. Approve minutes: June 18, 2025 meeting
 - Councilwoman Williams made a motion to accept the minutes for the June 18, 2025 meeting and June 4, 2025 public input meeting. Councilwoman Manwaring 2nd. Roll call vote: Councilwoman Williams aye, Councilwoman Manwaring 2nd, Councilwoman Martin aye. Motion Carried.

4. Financial Report

Councilwoman Manwaring made a motion to accept the financial report. Councilwoman Martin 2nd. Roll call vote: Councilwoman Williams – aye, Councilwoman Manwaring – 2nd, Councilwoman Martin – aye. Motion Carried.

a. Pay bills

Councilwoman Martin made a motion to pay the bills. Councilwoman Williams 2nd. Roll call vote: Councilwoman Williams – aye, Councilwoman Manwaring – 2nd, Councilwoman Martin – aye. Motion Carried.

5. Visitors:

• David McIntyre, DEQ: David introduced himself and stated that he is looking for people to be on the Watershed Advisory Group for this area concerning the water quality in the Lower North Fork Clearwater River sub basin, which encompasses the Elk River region.

6. **Reports**

- a. Clerk
 - Christina went over the Clerk report.
- b. Public Works
 - Randy went over the Public Works report.
- c. Mayor
 - Normal taking in water tests and deposits. Met with Life Flight regarding the placement of the helipad.

d. Council

- Councilwoman Williams asked if Front Street between Mill and Pine could be shut down from 10 am – 12 pm on August 9th for the golf cart races. The Mayor said that it would be fine.
- Councilwoman Manwaring would like to see fireworks banded except for those set off by professionals. There were a couple of fires from fireworks this year and it was very smoky with everyone letting off personal fireworks. Councilwoman Williams stated that she feels the same way.
- The Mayor stated that he was pleased with the law enforcement presence over the

holiday weekend.

- e. Fire Department
 - Mayor Dave went to the last Fire Department meeting.
- f. Clearwater Highway District
 - None.
- g. Ambulance
 - None.

Council Business Items

- 7. Wastewater Facilities Project update
 - Christina and the City accountant have been working on getting updated financials to USDA for the application of around \$4.7 million for Phase II.
- 8. Review & comment on variance and minor subdivision request by Andre Molsee: Bobbi Kaufman, Clearwater County Planning and Zoning
 - Bobbi Kaufman, Clearwater County Planning and Zoning, presented Andre Molsee's request on a variance and minor subdivision at 35071 Dent Bridge Road. He is asking to divide 1 lot into 4 lots. Councilwoman Williams asked if the road easements would be kept and Bobbi said yes. The City is in favor of 3 lots, not the proposed 4. They would like a deed restriction allowing 2 campers per lot for 180 days per year. The lots can be served by City water. Randy Ball stated that it is a 2" line by the lot but a bigger line or another line may be needed. The lots perked for sewer but are too close to water features to have septic. The City is not able to provide sewer to the lot. The lots would only be able to have porta potties. The City is not in favor of this.
- 9. Review & comment on re-plat request by Laura Kruger: Bobbi Kaufman, Clearwater County Planning and Zoning
 - Bobbi Kaufman, Clearwater County Planning and Zoning, presented Laura Kruger's request of a re-plat of Elk River estates Lot 2A Block 7. She is requesting to divide it into 4 lots. The City has no comments on this request.
- 10. Review & comment for the cell tower: Bobbi Kaufman, Clearwater County Planning and Zoning
 - Bobbi Kaufman, Clearwater County Planning and Zoning, presented a request to put a cell phone tower on Curt & Shelley McLam's property at 110 South 4th Street. The City has no comments on this request.
- 11. Adopt Resolution #07-16-25.1: Area of City Impact with Clearwater County
 - Councilwoman Williams made a motion to adopt Resolution #07-16-25.1: Area of City Impact with Clearwater County. Councilwoman Martin 2nd. Roll call vote: Councilwoman Williams aye, Councilwoman Manwaring 2nd, Councilwoman Martin aye. Motion Carried
- 12. Council consideration to adopt tentative budget for fiscal year ending 2026
 - Councilwoman Williams made a motion to adopt the tentative budget for fiscal year ending 2026. Councilwoman Martin 2nd. Roll call vote: Councilwoman Williams aye, Councilwoman Manwaring 2nd, Councilwoman Martin aye. **Motion Carried**
- ❖ Meeting adjourned at 10:14 a.m.