

TOWN COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 7, 2025- 7:00 P.M.
1500 Palomino Avenue,
Bar Nunn, Wyoming

- Roll Call: Mayor Peter Boyer called the meeting to order on Tuesday, October 7, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.
 The roll was called, which determined the presence of a quorum.
 Present: Mayor, Peter Boyer. Councilmembers: Steven Clark, Dan Sabrosky, Tim Ficken, and Tyler Martin.
- 2) **Pledge of Allegiance**: The Town Council and all present stood in service to the United States Flag and pledged allegiance to the United States of America.
- 3) Minutes of September 16, 2025: Moved by Dan Sabrosky, seconded by Tyler Martin. The motion carried without dissent to approve the minutes for August 19, 2025. Steven Clark recused himself due to his absence.
- 4) Payables List for October 7, 2025: Moved by Steven Clark and seconded by Tim Ficken. The motion carried without dissent to approve the payables list of October 7, 2025.
- 5) Payable List for September 2025: Checks #33458-33535, Direct Deposits #3221-#3265, ACH #1755944 & ACH #91830340. The 25-26 Year-To-Date Budget report*. Moved by Steven Clark, seconded by Tyler Martin, and carried without dissent to approve the Financial Reports for the period ending September 2025.
- 6) Attorney's Report: A written report was submitted. Attorney Patrick Holscher was present for questions or comments from the council. Mr. Holscher said he received the survey work from Russ Donnelly on the portions of the Bridal Trail he wished to have vacated when he was at the last meeting. Holscher added he wanted to make certain that "we are in compliance with a Statute on that." Holscher also stated the land could be vacated but there was a specific Statutory provision regarding property owners who were within 300 feet of it. Holscher commented it shouldn't be a problem.
 - Holscher also brought up someone who wanted to put up a tiny home in Bar Nunn which was zoned R5. Holscher explained R5 was reserved for modular homes and trailers in Bar Nunn. Holscher said the way the Statute reads, or ordinance reads someone can do that if they have a prefabricated structure. Holscher said they unloaded it and made all the necessary hookups. Holscher also indicated they may seek a variance in order to go through planning and zoning.
- 7) Engineer's Report: Town Engineer, Ray Catellier, PE was present to answer questions or comments from the council. Mr. Catellier said he had a couple updates for Mayor Boyer. Catellier stated they had only received one quote for the speed bump so far and that was a budgetary number of \$7,310 he had received that afternoon. Catellier remarked if Council wanted to move forward with that, he would still pursue other options, hopefully cheaper, but if Council approved to move forward for \$7,300, they could do that or get other numbers. Catellier also remarked he reached out to four contractors and he thought they were busy finishing up projects.

Councilman Clark asked how that compared to other ones in price the Town had placed before.

Catellier said he would dig in to it, but he believed the one Crown Construction did across Antelope was \$15,000 or more.

Mayor Boyer remarked it was more than double the price, and asked how much was the speed table on McMurry.

Catellier stated that was significantly more expensive. Catellier also said the asphalt bump entailed milling out two inches of asphalt throughout the entire speed bump and then it would be replaced with new asphalt. He added, in the middle over five inches of asphalt would be added, and then tapered, cleanup and tack, it was not as simple as slapping asphalt on an existing road.

Councilman Ficken asked about the timeframe and if they didn't have an answer by November, would they have to wait for Spring.

Catellier said asphalt plants typically shut down by Thanksgiving, and they would have to hand-form the speedbump.

Councilman Clark asked about complaints at that intersection.

Mayor Boyer said a resident reached out to him about the intersection on Tonkawa, and he, too, had noticed it was a problem, and added drivers blew right through the Stop sign. Mayor Boyer said they had talked about a speed table, which was extremely expensive, so a simple, quick fix was to put a speed bump in and slow drivers down on Tonkawa Trail as they approached Zuni Trail.

Councilman Ficken agreed they just went right through the intersection.

Mayor Boyer asked the Council if they should wait for a better price since they had until November.

Mayor Boyer said they would see if they could get a better price and revisit at the next meeting on October 21, 2025. Mayor Boyer thanked Catellier for his help.

8) **Public Works Report:** A written report was submitted. Head of Public Works, Dustin Smart, was present for questions or comments from the Council.

Mayor Boyer asked Mr. Smart how the jetting (sewers) was going?

Mr. Smart stated it was going well, W.F.I. had started Monday. Smart replied W.F.I. had been on McMurry earlier in the day and then was working on Wardwell Industrial, and Smart said he expected W.F.I. would be over in the Ponderosa neighborhood on Wednesday and probably would finish up work by the end of the week.

Mayor Boyer also asked when would Smart get the paint striper back over to get the last two repairs done.

Smart said it was stored indoors and washed out with water. Smart stated he and Maintenance wanted to winterize it. Smart said he could submit it to CMI-TECO in April and added he would make sure beforehand not to have them leave it outside, ask them to get it in and worked on. Smart remarked the major issue with the truck was one hydraulic cylinder leaking oil. He said the truck was functional, but the leak dripped oil, and then gauges for the truck cab, chassis, actual engine gauges and the bolt meter, and the actual temperature gauge acted funny. Smart said it would be good to get it checked.

Councilman Steven Clark said he had a quick comment. Clark said his neighbors across the street had their main valve break and they just complimented the Maintenance guys on their speediness to get the

water turned off and then back on again. Clark said the leak was on Lakota.

9) **Fire Department Report**: A written report was submitted. Fire Chief, Eugene Zahara was present for questions or comments from the council. Mr. Zahara reported that Industry Level Driver Training Class through State Training was finalized today and scheduled for November 21-23, 2025. Zahara said they would hold five spots for Bar Nunn personnel, give five spots for other departments within the County, and limited to 10 people total. Zahara added he would meet with the Department of Forestry the next day to finalize details. He noted the course would be capped at 20 participants, with another session planned later in the winter due to demand. Zahara said they would bring in a dozer and put some fire lines around the Town. Zahara remarked they would be able to train the guys with the engine trucks, so they could learn to operate and drive around the dozer, and would be capping the class to 20 people.

Councilman Dan Sabrosky asked if McMurry gave the Town \$70,000, since the Glenn Woods show on K2 Radio took a call from someone was worried they were buying favors, but Sabrosky said the Town applied for the McMurry Foundation. Councilman Sabrosky asked what the money was for. Chief Zahara said \$70,000 was for two fully operational cardiac monitors with defibrillation. Zahara said the Fire Department applied for the equipment and hadn't heard whether the Department received the funding.

Councilman Sabrosky also asked Chief Zahara about the billed fires and what the Town was paid were two separate amounts.

Chief Zahara said those were the two fires that Bar Nunn received money for. Zahara said he was working with Natrona County Firemen's Association Director Mike Hagler on that. Zahara said he wanted an individual check for each bill.

- 10) Office Staff Report: A written report was submitted. Clerk Treasurer Kalista Schwarzrock was present for questions or comments from the council. Mrs. Schwarzrock stated they received the final figure for the distribution from Wyoming Community Gas. Schwarzrock added the Town had to submit a project designation by December 31, 2025. Schwarzrock recommended the money would go toward the bus shelter on Palomino and pool it with the funds dedicated last year that hadn't yet been spent.
- 11) **Petitions And Public Comment:** Mayor Boyer called for petitions and public comment. No comments were made.
- 12) **Nuclear Industry Public Comment:** Mayor Boyer asked if anyone would like to speak about the Nuclear Industry.

Marshall Hood: Mr. Hood said he was a resident of Bar Nunn and returned to discuss dry cask storage. Hood said Radiant proposed to store fuel assemblies in dry casks. Hood added that they implied the process was similar to the regular nuclear industry, and that was incorrect. Hood remarked that dry cask storage was used for nuclear power plants to expand storage for depleted fuel assemblies. Hood also commented that after fuel assemblies were cooled in a cooling pool for five to 10 years, they could be moved to a dry cask, and the dry cask was placed in water and a depleted fuel assembly was moved to it. Hood said the cask was then filled with inert gas and welded closed. Hood also stated the cask would be monitored for radiation leaks. Hood pointed out the process to show Radiant proposed a different and untried procedure to bring back a depleted core to Bar Nunn, the reactor would be opened and depleted material would be moved to a dry cask and would be "hot." Hood explained that Radiant said the cask could hold multiple depleted core materials at the same time.

<u>Janice Scriven</u>: Mrs. Scriven said the biggest problem with nuclear energy was always the waste it created. Scriven remarked if a nuclear scientist was asked about the waste problems, he wouldn't see the waste as a problem. Scriven stated that after 50 years of using nuclear energy in the U.S., the amount of waste produced would fit in half of an Olympic swimming pool. Scriven also said the Navy was responsible for building and maintaining the nuclear reactors that powered the entire fleet for 77 years.

Jennifer Hopkins: Mrs. Hopkins said she returned to present 345 surveys to the Council, and she thanked

everyone who filled out one of her surveys. Hopkins stated surveys showed strong support for local businesses and the desire to keep the small-town character. Hopkins also said her study showed residents preferred controlled growth rather than rapid industrial expansion. Hopkins commented that most residents had safety concerns over Radiant Nuclear. Hopkins shared her survey information that 68% opposed Radiant, and 13.3% supported it,

15% were neutral. Hopkins said from her experience she thought the Council should take into consideration and be more focused on what the residents found important, not outside of the Town. Hopkins said she wanted to give the surveys to Council.

For the record, Attorney Pat Holscher clarified that the submitted survey would be maintained as a separate record and it would be available for review.

Hopkins agreed and said she wanted Council to see the written comments.

Marcia Neumiller: Mrs. Neumiller said she came to voice her support for the nuclear industry. Neumiller said that although she lived in Casper, she had relatives who lived just North of Bar Nunn, and their livelihoods were important to her. Neumiller said she believed the advancements of safety in the nuclear industry had come a long way. Neumiller remarked that it was important to look at the advancement of jobs, markets and travel in Natrona County. Neumiller also remarked she encouraged the Council to consider all those things and would speak in support of the nuclear industry.

Mayor Boyer thanked everyone who gave public comments. Mayor Boyer said it came to his attention that someone on the Glenn Woods show on K2 Radio, said the Town of Bar Nunn was going to spend \$2 Million on a building for a police department. Boyer commented they were using the old Wardwell Water building and Interim Police Chief Steve Sheridan had been fixing it up, which saved a ton of money. Mayor Boyer emphasized the Council wasn't spending \$2 Million, and they didn't have \$2 Million to spend.

13) Council Business:

A) Discussion: Bike Park Expansion Approval

Councilman Tim Ficken said the project started with dirt work at High Plains Park two years ago and the kids tried to do a rudimentary bike trail and older teens loved it. Ficken said kids were out with shovels and were building more ramps. Ficken said he contacted Wyoming Trails Alliance, a nonprofit organization. Ficken shared they maintained the bike paths on Casper Mountain and built a very cool bike park in Douglas. Ficken added that the Alliance was helping with the BMX park and Sedar Park also. Ficken said the group was insured and their goal was to get youth to participate in outdoor activities and keep them out of trouble. Ficken also commented when the Wyoming Trails Alliance completed a project, it was built to last 20 years, using preserved wood. Ficken said he hoped they could get construction started this Fall and finish in the Spring.

Mayor Boyer moved contract approval for Council to next scheduled meeting on October 21, 2025. Mayor Boyer also asked Virginia Wharton, Director of Parks and Recreation, if she had contacted the fireworks vendor yet.

Wharton said she had it scheduled for her next day off.

- 14) **Executive Session** Legal Matter, Mayor Boyer adjourned the regular session and entered Executive Session at 7:42 p.m. <u>Moved by Steven Clark</u>, seconded by Tyler Martin and carried without dissent to the Executive Session.
- 15) **Reconvene Regular Council Session:** Mayor Boyer reconvened the regular session at 8:05 p.m. **Roll call:** Mayor Peter Boyer, Steven Clark, Tyler Martin, Tim Ficken, Dan Sabrosky No action was taken.
- 16) Adjournment: Moved by Tyler Martin, seconded by Tim Ficken, and carried without dissent that there being no further business for the meeting of October 7, 2025, be adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Peter Boyer, Mayor

ATTEST: (seal)



Kalista Schwarzrock, Town Clerk-Treasurer