



**CITY OF PONDERAY  
REGULAR  
MEETING MINUTES  
February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026**

**MAYOR GEIGER CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 5:30 P.M.**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Geiger, Councilmember McNearney, Councilmember Mitton, Councilmember Thompson, Councilmember Larkin

**ALSO, PRESENT:** City Clerk Peterson, Chief Kaufman, Planning Director Miller, Derek Forseth (Via Zoom)

**ABSENT:** Attorney Marshall

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND/OR DISCLOSURES:**

- **Councilmember Mitton**
  - Had a conversation with Dressel.
  - Had a conversation with Hammacks.

**AMEND AGENDA:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- Mike Hammack and Regina Hammack
  - Change of address on McGhee Road
    - He is not receiving mail.
  - Post Office - AMC Process 2017
    - Ponderay route / Sandpoint route

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- 1) Approve Bills \$20,415.70
- 2) Approve Council Minutes from January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026.
- 3) Acknowledge Treasurer's Report

***Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda.***

**Councilmember Mitton/Thompson. Roll Call Vote. All Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.**

**MAYOR**

- Mayor Geiger gave updates.
  - Workshop 1<sup>st</sup> meeting in March.
    - Prioritize projects with LOT funds.

**CLERK**

- City Clerk Peterson gave Bed Tax update.
  - \$635,759.28 – FY 2025

**POLICE:**

- **ACTION ITEM** Providing Police Services to the City of Kootenai – R. Dressel (No Action -Presentation only)  
**Presentation by Robert Dressel.**

- 2025 Ponderay Police Department Annual Report
  - Page 10 / warrant & arrests (up 11.6%)
  - Shorthanded – officer out

**STREETS, PARKS, PLANNING, & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:**

- Planner Miller gave updates.
  - Scoreboard (Switch out)
  - Street Projects
  - Bonner County Amateur Radio Emergency Response Group Field Day
    - Field of Dreams usage
- Ice Rink Updates- Tournaments, Youth Hockey Extension
  - NIICE – 1 or 2 more tournaments (Adult/Youth)
- **\*\*Action Item\*\*** GEM Grant – Presented by PACE

**Presentation by Joan Bloom.**

- City Clerk Peterson will print the Grant form out.

- **\*\*Action Item\*\*** Capital Improvement and Pavement Management Plan, Century West

**Presentation by Planning Director Miller.**

**Question/Comments**

- Mayor Geiger - HMH previous CIP
- Thompson – maintain current roads.

**Motion to Approve the Capital Improvement and Pavement Management Plan.**

**Councilmember Thompson/Larkin. Roll Call Vote. All Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.**

- ~~**\*\*Action Item\*\*** Authorization for private drive access (Scratched)~~
- **\*\*Action Item\*\*** Warbonnet Way Completion

**Presentation by Planning Director Miller.**

**Motion to Approve Warbonnet Way Completion.**

**Councilmember Larkin/Thompson. Roll Call Vote. All Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.**

- **\*\*Action Item\*\*** PSRC Multi-Purpose Grant – Construction

**Presentation by Planning Director Miller.**

**Questions/Comments**

- Councilmember Mitton – City to arrange access through the City of Sandpoint’s Water Plant.

**Motion to Approve PSRC Multi-Purpose Grant Construction through the procurement method.**

**Councilmember Thompson/Larkin. Roll Call Vote. All Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.**

- **\*\*Action Item\*\*** Alta contract modification - PSRC site remediation

**Presentation by Planning Director Miller.**

**Motion to Approve Alta contract modification – PSRC site remediation.**

**Councilmember McNearney/Mitton. Roll Call Vote. All Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.**

- **\*\*Action Item\*\*** Memorandum of Agreement, PSRC Brownfield Site, (historical impact mitigation requirements)

**Presentation by Planning Director Miller.**

- Signage / Placement
- 5 years to complete.

**Motion to Approve the Mayor to Sign the Memorandum of Agreement, PSRC Brownfield Site, (historical mitigation requirements).**

**Councilmember Larkin/Mitton. Roll Call Vote. All Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.**

- **\*\*Action Item\*\*** ADA Curb Ramp Grant Project (2021)

**Presentation by Planning Director Miller.**

- Elm Avenue, Hwy 200 & Kootenai Cutoff Rd. intersection.
- \$60,000.00

**Motion to Approve ADA Curb Ramp Grant Project.**

**Councilmember Thompson/Larkin. Roll Call Vote. All Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.**

- Discussion/Decision BUILD Grant updates, road name selection
  - Black Rock Drive - possibility

**ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, CONTRACTS:**

- **\*\*Action Item\*\*** Resolution 2026-01 Weight Limit Restrictions

**Presentation by Planning Director Miller.**

- All roads posted except:
  - Bonner Mall Way
  - Elm Street
  - Emerald Industrial Park Road
  - Fontaine Connector
  - Hawthorne Avenue
  - Kootenai Cutoff Road
  - McNearney Road (South of the Field of Dreams)
  - Piehl Road
  - Starr Lane (Kootenai Cutoff to Piehl)
  - Schweitzer Cutoff Road
  - Schweitzer Plaza Drive
  - Tibbetts Lane
  - Triangle Drive
  - Vermeer Drive
  - Warbonnet Way

***Motion to Approve Resolution 2026-01 Weight Limit Restrictions.***

**Councilmember Mitton/Thompson. Roll Call Vote. All Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- The Pond Ice Rink – Revenue/Expenses, Sponsorships, and Reimbursement Update

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**Councilmember Larkin/Thompson  
Meeting Adjourned 6:50 p.m.**

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City Clerk/Treasurer Stephanie Peterson

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Mayor Steve Geiger