



**CITY OF PONDERAY
REGULAR
MEETING MINUTES
July 21st, 2025**

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: Chief Kaufman, City Clerk Peterson, Attorney Marshall, Planning Director Miller

ABSENT:

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND/OR DISCLOSURES:

AMEND AGENDA:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1) Approve Bills \$28,559.76.
- 2) Approve Council Minutes from July 7th, 2025.
- 3) Acknowledge Police and Attorney Reports.
- 4) Acknowledge Treasurer's Report (Scratched)

Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda.

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

DEPARTMENT REPORTS/UPDATES:

MAYOR:

- Mayor Geiger gave updates.
 - Jimmy Cornelius's retirement party.
 - Stated he will be out of town next meeting.
 - Post Office moved to new location at Bonner Mall.

CLERK:

- City Clerk Peterson gave updates.
 - Bed Tax
 - May - \$47,263.10

- **ACTION ITEM** Approve FY 22-23 Audit & Representation Letter

Motion to Approve FY 22-23 Audit & Representation Letter.

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

- **ACTION ITEM** Discussion/Decision on City Hall Flagpole – McNearney

Motion to Approve keeping the Flagpole at City Hall.

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

POLICE:

- Chief Kaufman gave updates.
 - K9 Stat Update
 - Jeremy Deal
 - Approximately 10 deployments per month
 - 13 Drug Seizures
 - Citizen Recognition – Lifesaving Awards
 - Melissa Maloney & Connie Stevens
 - Jeremy Deal

STREETS, PARKS, PLANNING, & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

- Brett Engle, IHD gave street updates.
 - Signs
 - “NO THRU TRUCKS” signs on all side streets.
 - Councilmember Mitton
 - Definition of “No Thru Trucks”
 - Enforcement Protocol
 - Schweitzer Plaza Connection
- Planning Director Miller gave updates.
 - McNearney Road
 - Asphalt is ordered for the middle of August.
 - Budget will allow for 3” of asphalt.
 - Schweitzer Plaza Extension
 - Concrete and asphalt.
 - Resurface Piehl Road
 - Scoreboards ship today.
 - Delivery scheduled for Friday.
 - Northern Lights – Bird Box
- **ACTION ITEM** Discussion/Decision – New Story Walk Cabinets

Presentation by Planning Director Miller.***Motion to Approve the Purchase of Story Walk Frames.***

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

- **ACTION ITEM** Discussion/Decision – Youth Hockey Program/Tournament

Presentation by Planning Director Miller.

- Program not allowed to use ice rink during Christmas Break.

Motion to Approve Youth Hockey Program/Tournament Schedule.

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

- Discussion – Potential Shared Usage of the Ice Rink Site

Presentation by Planning Director Miller.

- Entertainment/restaurant facility.
 - Discussion followed.
 - More information is needed.

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, CONTRACTS:**OLD BUSINESS:****NEW BUSINESS:**

- FY 2025-26 Budget Workshop
 - Planning Department
 - Sales Tax
 - Streets
 - Maintenance Equipment

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Councilmember Thompson/McNearney.
Meeting Adjourned 6:38 p.m.

City Clerk/Treasurer Stephanie Peterson

Mayor Steve Geiger