



**CITY OF PONDERAY
REGULAR
MEETING MINUTES
August 18th, 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

ABSENT: Planning Director Miller (in at 5:32 p.m. Via Zoom)

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND/OR DISCLOSURES:

AMEND AGENDA:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1) Approve Bills \$76,691.74.
- 2) Approve Council Minutes from August 4th, 2025.
- 3) Acknowledge Attorney Report

Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda.

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

DEPARTMENT REPORTS/UPDATES:

MAYOR:

CLERK:

- FY 2025-2025 Budget Review

POLICE:

- Chief Kaufman gave updates.
 - New Police vehicle was received.
 - Drunk driver hit one of the other patrol cars.
 - Out for repairs.
 - Introduced our new Police Officer Scott Boekenooen.
 - Mayor Geiger swore Scott Boekenooen in for the record.

STREETS, PARKS, PLANNING, & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

- Planning Director Miller gave updates.
 - Neighbor Days – September 13th, 2025
 - Welch-Comer booth at Neighbor Days
 - Brownfield Cleanup
 - December start date

- Underpass
 - McNearney Road
 - Finished paving Friday.
 - Finished the approaches today.
- City Engineer Ryan Luttmann gave street updates.
 - Schweitzer Plaza Extension
 - Piehl Road
- **ACTION ITEM** Discussion/Decision, Avista Utilities, Request to consider alternate street section, Bronx Road

Presentation by City Engineer Ryan Luttmann.

Questions/Comments.

- Councilmember Thompson
 - What does a collector road mean.
 - Luttmann explained the different types of roadways.
 - Local access
 - Collector
 - Arterial

Presentation by Karen Kendall, Avista Utilities.

Motion to Approve Avista Utilities to Development/Asphalt Bronx Road from Highway 95 east past Craigs Court.

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

- **ACTION ITEM** Discussion/Decision, Ice Rink Igloos

Presentation by City Planning Director Miller.

- Three Igloos (2-12 Ft and 1-15 Ft in diameter)
 - Just over \$29,000.00 for all three.
 - Sponsorship & rental fees to pay for them.

Motion to Approve purchase of Ice Rink Igloos.

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

- **ACTION ITEM** Discussion/Decision, Ice Rink Score Board

Presentation by City Planning Director Miller.

- \$10,740.00 plus shipping and installation fee.

Motion to Approve the purchase of the Ice Rink Score Board.

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

- **ACTION ITEM** Discussion/Decision, Swing at The Retreat at Bay Trail Park - **TABLED**

Presentation by City Planning Director Miller.

- City Engineer to inspect.
- Professionally installed?
- Foundation? Bark?
- Maintenance agreement?
- Draw up a MOA

Motion to table until we work out the details.

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

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

- **ACTION ITEM** Res 2025-08 Ice Rink Equipment

Presentation by City Planning Director Miller.

Motion to Approve Resolution 2025-08 Ice Rink Equipment.

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

- **ACTION ITEM** Res 2025-09 Comprehensive Plan

Presentation by City Planning Director Miller.

Questions/Comments

- Mayor Geiger
 - Mixed use
 - Height
- Councilmember Thompson
 - Council knows where I stand.

Motion to Approve 2025-09 update to the Comprehensive Plan.

Councilmember Larkin/McNearney. Roll Call Vote. Councilmember Larkin Voted in Favor. Councilmember Thompson Voted Opposed. Councilmembers Mitton & McNearney Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.

- **ACTION ITEM** Res 2025-10 Resort City Local Option Tax
Motion to Approve Resolution 2025-10 to submit for approval to the voters of the City of Ponderay for the amendment to municipal Non-Property Sales Tax Ordinance 150-R.
Councilmember Larkin/Thompson. Roll Call Vote. All Voted in Favor. Motion Approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Councilmember Larkin/Thompson.
Meeting Adjourned 6:14 p.m.

City Clerk/Treasurer Stephanie Peterson

Mayor Steve Geiger