



City of Green River

460 East Main Street, Green River, Utah

City Council Minutes

Special Meeting

Wednesday, January 28, 2026

ATTENDING: Mayor Pro Tempore Bo Harrison; Council Members; Kent Nelson, Guy Webster, Stephanie Crabtree and Tonya Bigelow; Commissioner Kenven Jensen; Planning Commission Members; Gayna Salinas, Dylan Keele; Employees; Edward Bennett, Julie Spadafora, Loni Meadows, Kerry Bigelow, Janet Smoak, Michael Thurston; Citizens; Conra Weber, Della Ekker, Sandi Silliman, Michael Silliman, Frank Vetere Jr., Larry Packer, Lance Erwin, Anne Elliott, Lacey Harrison, Dorothy Carter, Josh Opp, Mary Winters, Bailie Newland, Travis Newland, Sadie Newland, Louis Newland, Katie Newland, Stetson Newland, Cherie Packer, Ed Korycan, Shuanee Harrison, Jackie Nelson, Royd Hatt, Josh Opp, Better City; Ryan Englund; Eagles Landing; Cameron Noel.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. Appointment of Mayor by City Council

The Council conducted a special meeting to appoint a new mayor following a vacancy. Council Member Guy Webster expressed appreciation to citizens who had contacted him with their thoughts on the candidates, emphasizing the importance of community input in council decisions.

City Manager Edward Bennett explained the interview and voting procedure for selecting a new mayor. Three candidates would be interviewed with five questions, with each candidate having two minutes to respond to each question. The order of responses would rotate to ensure fairness.

Interviews by Mayor Applicants

The Council conducted formal interviews of the three candidates: Larry Packer, Michael Silliman, and Conra Weber. Each candidate answered five questions covering:

1. Their motivation and qualifications for serving as mayor
2. Their ability to manage the time demands of the position
3. Their view of the city's direction and potential areas for change

4. Their approach to handling contentious meetings
5. How they would foster community input on divisive issues

Larry Packer emphasized his six years of council experience, his working relationship with the previous mayor, and his availability as a retired resident. Michael Silliman highlighted his past council experience and desire to continue progress on projects from years ago. Conra Weber stressed her communication skills from her nursing career, her management experience, and her desire to improve communication between the city and citizens.

Following the interviews,

Kent Nelson voted for Larry Packer

Guy Webster voted for Larry Packer

Bo Harrison voted for Larry Packer

Stephanie Crabtree voted for Larry Packer

Tonya Bigelow voted for Larry Packer

The vote was unanimous, with all council members voting for Larry Packer.

2. Adjourn, the meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

MOTION: Guy Webster made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tonya Bigelow seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Guy Webster, Stephanie Crabtree, and Tonya Bigelow voted aye. The motion carried.

Larry Packer, Mayor

Julie Spadafora, City Recorder

Approved: February 10, 2026