

Meadow Town Council Meeting
January 19, 2026
Meadow Firehouse
7:00 p.m.

*****THESE MINUTES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED *****

Attendance: Mayor Gary Bishop, Councilmember Sunny Guild, Councilmember Robert Beckstrand, Councilmember Justin Jensen, Councilmember Jim Beckstrand, Treasurer Haley Abplanalp, Clerk Monica Dearden, Lloyd Robison, Lynn Bond, Zane Murnan, Tony Cowley, Mark Cowley, Dusty Mundy, Allen Erickson, Andee Holdaway, Kayli Mundy-Guild, Adam Richins

1. **Opening Ceremonies:** Mayor Bishop welcomed those in attendance. The pledge of allegiance was said and a prayer was offered by Haley. Mayor Bishop also welcomed Robert to the council. He then took a moment to thank those in attendance and in Meadow for caring and coming to meetings, for writing and talking to community members, for not being violent and aggressive. With the strife and unrest and political disagreement in our country it's great that we can meet and not be threatened. He thanks both the community and the elected officials.
2. **Review of minutes:**
 - a. **December 15, 2025 and January 5, 2026:** Justin motioned to approve the edited minutes of the 12/15/25 town council meeting and the 01/05/26 oath of office meeting. Jim seconded. All were in favor.
3. **Declaration of conflicts with or personal interest in any agenda items:**

Sunny will not participate in the Mundy discussion as her wife is a cousin to Ryan Mundy.
4. **Public comments: Issues and/or matters to be discussed and expressed by the public. (Limited to three minutes per person.)**
 - a. **Lloyd Robison:** Lloyd stated that the last item on the agenda, Ryan Mundy, out of town power. Years ago, power from Hunter Power was lost and there was a scramble to find power. We now pay \$750 to UAMPS for if/when possible use. If you give away power from Meadow Town, and you represent Meadow Town, not the outside interests, that is discrimination in two ways; you have denied others and his property is not taxable and others pay property tax for the right to use electricity. The only option is to not give outside power. You swore to uphold the law and represent Meadow Town.
 - b. **Lynn Bond:** He's surprised that this has gone on for as many months as it has, nothing against Ryan or Dusty. Those water connections were given and they have to come up with power. Lynn complimented Justin and Sunny for doing homework and learning. Lynn wants to remind the board

that just down the street, he has lots of property in the annexation zone and he will be asking for power if this happens. He moved on to say welcome aboard to Robert and that it is nice to see him sitting up there. He stated that Mayor Bishop complimented Channing in his letter and Lynn feels that in all his years working for Meadow Town, he has never seen anyone more arrogant and disrespectful than Channing and that is his feelings and there has been more hate and contention in the town. Giving power to Ryan will open up a big can of worms.

- c. **Tony Cowley:** Tony asked Monica for a copy of the auditors report. He then stated that he noticed the August audio minutes are missing from the website and asked if Monica had them. Monica said that they are not on the recorder and the recorder must have malfunctioned.
- d. **Zane Murnan:** Zane wanted to again read from the Villagers Voice "Recently, in the June 14, 2022 Town Council Meeting when an out-of-town power hookup was requested by Allen Erickson at his quonset shed, Tyson DeWolf responded beautifully: "As the ordinance reads right now, it's not allowed to provide power outside town." Gary: "Can you show me that?"... Tyson: "3-2-5". Gary: "...and you interpret that as nothing outside our service territory?" Tyson: "Yes, that's what it's there for. Personally, I'd go with the ordinance, that's what it's there for." Channing: "for right now, the ordinance says no, so I say no." Tyson: "The issue is: we were elected by Meadow Town, so outside of Meadow Town is not our jurisdiction; we're responsible for Meadow Town. So if we allow any utilities outside of Meadow Town, it could affect people inside town. Our responsibility is to people in town, not outside town." Channing: "That makes sense to me." (Full discussion, June 14, 2022 audio recording minutes 3:40-16:50" Min from meeting June 14 2022. Just putting that back out there to refresh memories.

5. Public agenda topics (time allocations for presentations is seven minutes. Additional time may be allocated to the topic as determined by the Town Council and/or Mayor to address questions or follow up with a presentation).

- a. **Dusty Mundy- Request for electric service outside of town:** Dusty began and wanted to ask, did you get in touch with your lawyer? Mayor Bishop said he would give Dusty his seven minutes and he would cover what the lawyer said in his portion of the meeting. Dusty argued that he should just tell him what he said and that it's pretty simple. Mayor Bishop replied that it isn't simple. Dusty said he felt that council members may have got misrepresented by Sunny when she reported what Dixie Power said. Dusty said "Dixie Power said that it would be safer to bring the power from town, that's what they said, it was in your email, do you read your email (directed to Sunny)?" Sunny said she does and safety was not really covered in the call and the discussion she had with Dixie, they referred to problems in Kanosh and Fillmore that came about by taking power out of town. Dusty would like the council to reconsider. Things change and rules can change. They will keep coming back and asking.

6. Accounting Reports

- a. Review and approve payments:** Monica went over the current claims with the council. Jim motioned to approve the claims. Robert seconded. All in favor.
 - b. UAMPS bill payment:** Jim motioned to pay the UAMPS bill as it comes in along with the Enbridge billings. Sunny seconded. All in favor.
- 7. Water Department:** Robert has been in contact with Andrew. He is waiting on parts to complete the damaged fire hydrant. They will also be meeting this coming Thursday for Robert to learn about the water system and become acquainted with how it all works.
- 8. Electrical Department:** Sunny had no business to report. Jim questioned if the lights were off the tree at the park. It was reported that they were. Jim asked if Dixie Power could let someone know when that is done, so we can make sure the lights get put away.
- 9. Road Department:** Justin reported that the snowplow had been used for the first time in two years. He also only heard back from Hales on the crack sealing for the roads. He accepted their bid.
- 10. Parks and Cemetery:** Jim reported that there will be a grave opening and closing this coming week. Jim spent some time going through his responsibilities with respect to the areas he is over. He has some ordinance changes that he would like to propose and he shared a handout with the council members (see attached) 7-2-14 this ordinance talks about memorials not being allowed to be placed until someone is buried, he would like the ordinance changed to allow that. The second he proposes has to do with trash cans, which are not at the cemetery. Mayor Bishop asked Monica to add these possible changes to the ordinance change tracker that she is working on. Next, Jim has some cemetery fees that he'd like added to the current fee schedule as the auditors mentioned that needed some updating. Monica will add it into the fee schedule she is updating.
- 11. Fire Department:** No business
- 12. Planning and Zoning:** Mayor heard from Andrew. They had their public hearing and they got some feedback and are again working on some clean up. Mayor Bishop reminded him that the council would like a week or so to review it.
- 13. Administrative**
 - a. Out of town electrical connection discussion:** Mayor Bishop reported that his homework after the last meeting was to get an opinion from Meadow towns legal council. Justin Wayment sent state code 10-8-14 which outlines the process that has to happen in order to take power outside of town limits. It's not as simple as a yes or no. There are a series of steps that have to happen, but it's a much bigger process defined by the Utah legislature. Our attorney advised that it is a bad idea because it's cumbersome and complex and he advised that we not pursue it, but that it is Meadow Town council's decision. Jim feels it's a lot of hoops to jump through and though it would be nice to give Ryan power it opens up other issues. Sunny feels if it was voted as something that the town would do, that the town needs to go back and open it up to those that were told no in

the past. Adam Richins asked if he could comment, Mayor Bishop said that public comment time had passed.

- b. Planning & Zoning membership:** Planning & Zoning has been short a member or two. Ralph Maxfield has been to a couple meetings and would like to join. Mayor Bishop asked if there were any concerns with that. There were none. Sarah Lombard will be excused from the commission.
 - c. Kimball & Roberts Agreed-Upon Procedures Report for Meadow Town:** This report was in the council members packets to be reviewed. Their only finding was the needed addition of cemetery fees to the fee schedule which Monica is working on.
 - d. Yearly conflict of interest declarations & code of conduct:** Each member filled out and signed the Code of Ethics and Conflict of Interest forms for 2026. The Conflict of Interest forms will be posted online and sent to the Lieutenant Governor's office also.
- 14. Other business:** Mayor Bishop has heard from several people in town that appreciate the waiving of the December billing fees. Mayor Bishop also thanked Monica for handling the bureaucracy and juggling of that to make it happen on our end.
- 15. Closed Session (UCA 52-4-205 & 205) to discuss one or more of the following (if necessary):** The character, professional competence or physical or mental health of an individual; collective bargaining; pending or reasonably imminent litigation; the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, including any form of a water right or water shares; the sale of real property, including any form of water rights or water shares; deployment of security personnel, devices or systems; investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminal misconduct; contract negotiations, the disclosure of which would be detrimental to the city's bargaining position.
- 16. Any action necessary as a result of the Closed Session:** No closed session was held.
- 17. Adjourn:** Jim motioned to adjourn the meeting. Justin seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Monica Dearden
Meadow Town Clerk