

**TREMONTON CITY CORPORATION
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 3, 2026**

Members Present:

Kristie Bowcutt
Brent Jex
Beau Lewis
Sharri Oyler—excused
Blair Westergard
Bret Rohde, Mayor
Linsey Nessen, City Manager
Cynthia Nelson, City Recorder

CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

Mayor Rohde called the February 3, 2026 City Council Workshop to order at 5:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the City Council Meeting Room at 102 South Tremont Street, Tremonton, Utah. Those in attendance were Mayor Rohde, Councilmembers Bowcutt, Jex, Lewis, and Westergard, Interim City Manager Nessen, and City Recorder Nelson. Councilmember Oyler was excused.

1. Call to Order and Declaration of Conflict of Interest: None.
2. Council Reports and Updates:

Councilmember Bowcutt said Public Works is very busy. They will start the aquifer water project, a water line and the widening of Rocket Road. We discussed them doing work at the cemetery in conjunction with that. They are working really hard and trying to be proactive.

Councilmember Jex said the police department started with the new dispatch yesterday and it is going well. They are squeezing blood from a turnip and are still down in positions. The Chief relinquished a position to be filled for a year for a budgetary shortfall. I do wonder when that year is up to fill that spot. There is a lot in the works. Mayor Rohde said to be clear, that was to get the officers up to the wage they needed. He eliminated that position so we could take care of them. That should be part of the next budget cycle.

Councilmember Lewis said the Mayor and I are working on the new website. There has been awesome progress and I cannot wait to roll that out.

Councilmember Westergard said the fire department continues to do their thing. They are getting the new ambulance. For dispatch, the people I talked to did not have any complaints.

3. Presentations:

a. **Title:** Discussion only – Pickleball courts by Community Services Director Zach LeFevre and resident Joan Argyle

Mayor Rohde recommended items 3. a. and 3. l. be discussed together.

Director LeFevre said our identity for Tremonton from our branding a few years ago was, the City of Connections. As the City of Connections and with all our growth, we see the need to update our master plan for parks and recreation, trails and open space. We are asking for public input at our next public session—a parks, trails, open space showcase. We will present what we have so far. Community Development Director Seedall and Sam Taylor from Landmark Design have been instrumental. We are also working on the multi-sport complex and will take feedback to continue updating that plan before we present a final version to the Council. We are still in the information gathering phase and defining our parks and their purpose.

Director LeFevre said here are some park designs and surveys. This is what we have gathered from the public so far, plus the needs of the City from the Parks and Recreation standpoint and the programs people are involved in and want to see. We have added pressures due to growth. The showcase on March 4, will help us determine where we are headed and what needs to be considered. The Council is invited to potentially cook and mingle with the public. This future park is Stokes Park. We own the ground and do not have a park on the west end of town, which is where a ton of growth has happened. The nearest park is a mile away. He showed the proposed layout, which includes overflow parking and fields for soccer and lacrosse programs. At Jeanie Stevens Park we would like to add two more ball diamonds to build a full complex. For more than a decade, we have been trying to build pickleball courts. We do have a league that utilizes six courts at the fairgrounds, but that is overused and we often get bumped out of that facility. Currently we can only host 90 participants each session. People in our community want pickleball here. Ms. Argyle has graciously offered to help. Ms. Argyle said my daughter-in-law does grants for junior achievement. She is willing to help write the grants. Director LeFevre said we can now start planning for this park. This shows eight pickleball courts, which is great for a tournament, but we would like to add four more for a total of 12. We already have some of the engineering work done. Funding is our biggest hurdle. Currently the cost is \$7 million for this park, which is pretty basic, but that is how much inflation has hurt. We do have some park impact fees we can put toward this. We have a lot of needs with other parks as well. Right now, our level of service is 2.5 acres per 1,000 residents. The national standard for a city our size is 13 acres per 1,000 residents. Since we are not as populated and centralized in the west, our goal is 5.5 acres per 1,000 residents. We need to buy more land for park space and add another 70 acres, on top of that park to get us to that 5.5 goal. Ms. Argyle explained her experience with pickleball and the need for Tremonton to have courts. It benefits our mental, physical, and emotional health, as well as creates and maintains connections. This is something we need. Our community also needs things like soccer fields and biking trails. We need places for people to get out and exercise.

b. **Title:** Presentation Only - Audited 2025 Financial Statements—Matt Geddes, Squire & Company

Mr. Geddes said we are grateful for the opportunity to report. Squire & Company has performed an audit of the financial statements and state compliance of Tremonton City for the year ending June 30, 2025. We issue our reports on those audits. Those financial statements present the activities and balances of the City. The City keeps their accounting records, follows internal controls, and produces these financial reports with the help of Finance Director Curtis Roberts. Our opinion is that the financial statements present fairly in all material respects the financial position of the City. What that means is you can reasonably rely on the financial statements to make decisions that they present the balances and activities of the City. We issue a report in accordance with government auditing standards. Through that we are required to evaluate your internal controls over financial reporting and compliance. If we identify significant deficiencies or material weaknesses, we would be required to report to the government body. This report does not identify any material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in financial reporting or compliance related to Tremonton. The final report we issue is in accordance with the State compliance audit guide. The Office of the Utah State Auditor issues an audit guide with specific State compliance requirements. We issue an opinion on compliance and the City complied in all material respects with the compliance requirements outlined. Overall, a very boring report from an auditor, but that is what you want. Our responsibility is to perform an audit of the information, not to produce the information. The City, in conjunction with Director Roberts, has helped produce financial statements. We are familiar with them and can answer questions. The Council agreed they would like to have a training scheduled to better understand this information and the process.

c. **Title:** Discussion Only - Implementing a Transportation Utility Fee—Public Works Director Carl Mackley, Assistant Public Works Director Andrew Beecher, and City Engineer Chris Breinholt

Assistant Director Beecher said a TUF is a Transportation Utility Fee. On April 1, 2025, the Council approved a resolution to establish a special revenue fund for roads. At the time, the City Manager directed Public Works to research a TUF. Basically, the TUF considers City roads as its own utility and provides funding for road maintenance and replacement through utility billing. The TUF associates a trip value to each utility account and categorizes the utility according to that type, which is residential, multi-family, commercial, and industrial. Each account will pay their portion based on number of trips they generate. Director Mackley said going back to 2019, it looked like the City was budgeting \$330,000 per year on road improvements. I am not certain how other capital projects were funded. That is what we were spending annually on road improvement projects and we treated them as a capital facilities project. It was designated as a one-time improvement using funds. Without looking at everything holistically and picking which projects to do it is kind of like whack a mole. This road is pretty crappy so do it and then another one pops up as soon as you hit that one. This approach was effective in staying within budget, but it did fail to account for and fund maintenance of all City roads. Assistant Director Beecher said we have analyzed our roads

(approximately 50 miles), which does not include Main Street (owned by UDOT) and other County roads. These are just City owned streets. It is recommended to chip seal roads every seven years and repave them every 28 years. A chip seal costs \$3.25 per square yard where repaves costs \$19 to \$27. Average annual maintenance cost would be \$1.3 million under our current circumstances. Public Works uses software called Iworks, which offers a payment management application we have not utilized. This last fall, Public Works hired Iworks to enter all City streets into the database and give them a condition to determine remaining service life. They drove every street with a camera. All segments have been entered into our database and we have the ability to view the remaining service life values and create maintenance plans. 50% of our City streets have a remaining service life value of six years or below and 80% of our streets have a remaining service life value of 10 years or below. The average monthly cost for all homes and townhomes would be \$9.10. It varies with the commercial, industrial, churches, and schools. Public Works desires to follow the road maintenance and replacement recommendations from Johnson Associates. Previously, Public Works has not had planning or funding in place for routine pavement management, replacement, and maintenance. With our Iworks pavement management tool, we have a method to inventory roads, track pavement conditions, and plan for ongoing maintenance. Additional funding is required to follow those schedules. Public Works is proposing the City implement a TUF as the recommended funding solution. That would generate \$1.3 million annually. Councilmember Lewis said I do not want to do more than is necessary. This is technically a tax in a different form and people are already burdened. I want to make sure we are not just doing it because we can. We need to ease the burden as much as we can and solving road problems. Just with that \$330,000, what are we doing there? Director Mackley said we have steadily used \$330,000 for road projects, the rest goes to plowing, street maintenance, sidewalks, employees and cemetery care, as well as the facilities. That is the cream we scraped off the top. That is how much money we know we have to put toward actual road maintenance projects. Anything on top of that will go to road maintenance. There could be some wiggle room in that \$1.3 million, but right now we are only able to budget about 25% of what we need on an annual basis to take care of roads. That does not include road expansion projects. The Council will continue this discussion at a future meeting.

d. **Title:** Discussion Only – Receiving cardboard as part of Green Waste

Director Mackley said we have made changes in receiving green waste at the Public Works building. We have moved that over to the composting facility. Cardboard is a compostable material, but not a great one. It does not break down easily. Our crew does a fantastic job of taking our solid waste from the treatment plant and blending it with the green waste to create compost. The only reason we do that is to get rid of our solid waste. The other alternative would be to landfill it, which is expensive. I do not know the history of why we are taking cardboard, but I do not enjoy putting that into our compost. It is a mess and does not break down quickly. We do get cardboard from everywhere, not just Tremonton residents. The Council agreed it is not the City's responsibility to help residents get rid of cardboard and it is not a beneficial material to the Public Works' processes.

e. **Title:** RES 26-07 Awarding bid for East Canal Equalization Basin Project

Director Mackley said we are excited to be doing projects and are thrilled that we have had a tremendous response in the number of bids received. We had bid openings for two capital projects. We have to build another canal equalization basin, taking canal water in and pumping it out for our secondary system. That is located along SR-13 and is designed out. We did update our engineer's estimates (\$384,000). We are asking the Council to award the bid for this equalization basin project and the Main Street culinary waterline replacement project tonight (next presentation item 3. f.). Engineer Breinholt said the low bidder on the equalization basin was Braegger and Sons. They are the ones we recommend for the waterline replacement project, too. Director Mackley said there was basically a statistical tie between LeGrand Johnson, and Braegger and Sons (\$1,800 difference in a \$1 million project). We do not have to choose the lowest bid because we do want to select the most qualified. We asked both for references and statements of qualification for the culinary waterline project. LeGrand Johnson, which was recently purchased by a much larger company, does a lot of road projects, but we are not familiar with them doing pressurized pipeline projects. We asked for references. Engineer Breinholt said they were essentially non-responsive. The information we got back was mostly road projects, which I know they can do well, but we are talking about our culinary water system. They did not respond with any experience that was applicable to this project. Director Mackley said qualifications are important because we are not only replacing a mile of pipeline, but all the individual services to the homes and valves. There are lots of utilities involved. This is a big deal. With 18 bids, we can be picky. We recommend the Council also award the culinary water line replacement project to Braegger and Sons. They are a local, qualified contractor who has done plenty of culinary water projects and has good references. We will require them to do the pond first. We budgeted \$1.5 million and are slightly under \$1 million on this culinary waterline replacement. That is money we can keep for the next project.

f. **Title:** RES 26-08 Awarding bid for 2026 Waterline Replacement Project

This item was presented with item 3. e.

g. **Title:** Discussion Only – Staffing Changes

Mayor Rohde said Community Development Director Jeff Seedall has offered his resignation. We will work on a replacement. Councilmember Bowcutt said I have done research and contacted Pleasant View, who has a neat approach. For their planner they do not go with someone with a degree because they have an engineer. Instead, they hired a planner tech, which is cost effective. I would like to explore something like that. I asked about the flip side and she said the benefits far outweigh the negative. She asked a lot of questions about our engineer and said if they are accessible and attend meetings, they will be the next person and a great asset. To have a city engineer and planner would be doubling up. I think Engineer Breinholt will be fine. The person they hired was working with the city planner previously and knows what is going on in the city. Councilmember

Lewis said as it relates to meeting with developers, there is a lot of vision setting tasks that have been falling on Director Seedall. Where do those fall? Councilmember Bowcutt said I asked her how does the process work in your town? She said just like it does in Tremonton, developers bring in their plans and she goes over them with the help of the city engineer. They work together. It would make things a little bit slower at first because people are learning a new role. Councilmember Lewis said there are lots of details Director Seedall deals with daily—the development agreements and negotiations, all details of the bigger vision. I am worried that without experience in that field, we might be leaving some of those agreements and negotiation on the table. Councilmember Westergard said if I am the guy and do not know what I am doing, I could miss something the City needs. Mayor Rohde said I think it is really important we identify those roles. Our development director has higher end roles. They are the ones pushing economic development, while the planner is the one doing what you guys are talking about. They are the ones making sure we are being taken care of. We could move from a development director to a planner who can do all these things and consider a part-time zoning administrator. Between those two, it would be less expensive. When discussing how things worked in the past with a previous Manager taking on much of these responsibilities, Interim Manager Nessen said we burnt him out and I think it was a great plan to get a planner to relieve that burden. In the interim, I do not have that knowledge right now. Engineer Breinholt said there are roles that need to be done that Director Seedall has done. If you have those roles and responsibilities defined and people to fill those roles, I think you will be okay. There could be some holes. Councilmember Bowcutt said until we refine the process there are going to be holes. I do not want to shoot us in the foot just because we are hung up on one thing. I would like to explore options. Mayor Rohde said we have time to make a decision. An option I have been thinking about is if we go with a three-two swap—a part-time zoning administrator and someone in planning and hire an in-house finance director to work with our current one. That would be less expensive than the two positions we currently have available (assistant city manager and community development director).

Engineer Breinholt said when we hired Director Seedall, he was not a planner, he is an engineer, but he did a really good job of learning the job. Director Seedall said it was a lot to learn, especially with no overlap. Pleasant View is not in the situation we are going to be in for the next 20 years. Pleasant View is growing very slowly. They are filling out toward the interstate and finding their limits. We are expanding all of ours. Engineer Breinholt is learning to delegate more of the work because of how much utility-type planning we are trying to get done through Public Works. So saying that he is going to be taking on more roles is not accurate. It would be Jones and Associates taking on more for us, but they do have great staff members. We are not their only municipality so in terms of responsiveness, that is one of those sacrifices you would make going that direction. If everything went out of office (third-party hire) I would be concerned with the ability to keep the timeline set and keeping your ducks in a row to meet State and City code. That is the number one struggle you would have. Engineer Breinholt said you would definitely need somebody working here, taking care of the day-to-day stuff, whether it be a planner or someone who can learn the job. Director Mackley said smart planning in any area, can save millions of dollars. Finding a capable, smart person, who can do things the

Tremonton way, but knows how to negotiate with the developers can save millions. If that costs us \$30,000 more a year, I would take that bargain every day of the week. Engineer Breinholt said when the planner position was advertised before, we had limited response from people with planning degrees or expertise. I do not think that has changed. You are not going to find a lot of planners applying for the job. You are going to have to get somebody who can learn the job. The Council agreed to do some research and City staff would continue this discussion at the next meeting.

h. **Title:** RES 26-09 City Manager Contract

Mayor Rohde said last week we put this resolution in to hire Interim City Manager Nessen as our City Manager. He read through the contract, which stated that Mayor and Council shall conduct a formal performance evaluation of the Manager six months following the effective date to ensure alignment on City goals and operational expectations. Following the initial review, the Mayor and Council shall evaluate the Manager's performance annually. The Mayor shall determine the specific method and manner of these evaluations prior to the end of the fiscal year. Parties agree to formally review the terms and conditions of the agreement every two years to ensure compensation benefits and local market alignment remain consistent with City objectives. Councilmember Jex said I am glad Interim Manager Nessen has accepted. I do not think \$147,500 is enough for the work she does. The thing we have to remember is that prior to this, we were paying the City Manager and Interim Manager Nessen as an assistant. We are saving money. We have had a lot of turnover in the last five years. There is a cost to running the City effectively. Councilmember Bowcutt said I had a lot of questions, but after talking with Mayor Rohde he put my mind at ease. She is doing a good job. I am on board. We need strong leadership and the Mayor feels strongly she is going to take the bull by the horns. Mayor Rohde said we know what we are getting. I do not want to go down a bad path again. As far as the wage, we have talked a lot about that and she is comfortable with it.

i. **Title:** RES 26-10 Amending Section II – Adding Credit Card Usage Policy

Recorder Nelson said this came from a conversation with Finance Director Curtis Roberts, who suggested we implement a credit card policy for the City. If you purchase with the City credit card, you need to turn those receipts in, in a timely manner. If not, then there are consequences. It is a privilege to use it. After five times they will lose that privilege.

j. **Title:** RES 26-11 Revised Compensation and Classification Plan—Interim Manager Nessen

Interim Manager Nessen said we update our plan every June when we give a COLA increase. It increases the minimums and maximums. This is a special one we are doing mid-year in working with our vendor on a salary survey. It was found that, the compost facility attendant was hired under the Main Street maintenance worker, even though he had his own title and job description. We added him in our plan. It is still the same pay

range. Last fiscal year, the Senior Center asked to hire two part-time receptionists. We put it in the same pay range as a clerk I admin assistant, which was not where it should have gone. They are not doing the same things as the admin assistant. We hired these receptionists to answer phones and be the first base so our admin assistant can do her job. It does not make sense to have them in the same pay range. These current hires will remain in that pay range, but if they were to quit and we hired someone else, we would hire them at this lower pay range as a receptionist, not an admin assistant. We had a part-time seasonal parks maintenance worker and a full-time parks maintenance worker, which got confusing. Director LeFevre suggested keeping consistency with other departments and head groundskeeper should be his title rather than parks maintenance worker. This is in the same pay grade it is just a title chance. Same thing with the recreation manager, keeping it consistent across other parks and rec departments would be a recreation supervisor. The bigger one is creating a new position—Public Works Operations Manager was the title we came up with. We have had a lot of change in the Public Works department, such as bringing on secondary water, which is basically its own department. We shoved that under somebody who already had other responsibilities. It is not creating a new FTE. One of our employees would be promoted to this new position that comes with a bit of a pay increase. He would be overseeing additional departments and employees.

k. **Title:** RES 26-12 Dignity Index

Interim Manager Nessen said this is a resolution from the Dignity Index website, kind of a template. Since we are implementing dignity, I thought it made sense to have a resolution formalizing that our communication and discourse will be that of dignity. We encourage our citizens to also adopt that when they give public comments. Just formalizing we are a dignity city and implementing using dignity in all our discussions.

l. **Title:** Discussion Only – Recreation Discussion

This item was discussed at the first of the meeting with discussion A.

4. Review of the agenda items identified on 7:00 p.m. City Council Agenda
5. **CLOSED MEETING: No Closed Meeting held at this time.**
 - a. *Strategy session to discuss the purchase of real property when public discussion of the transaction would disclose the appraisal or estimated value of the property under consideration or prevent the public body from completing the transaction on the best possible terms; and/or*
 - b. *Strategy session to discuss the character, professional competence or physical or mental health of an individual; and/or*
 - c. *Strategy sessions to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation; and/or*
 - d. *Discussions regarding security personnel, devices or systems*

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m. by consensus of the Council.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Rohde called the February 3, 2026 City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Tremonton City Council Meeting Room at 102 South Tremont Street, Tremonton, Utah. Those in attendance were Mayor Rohde, Councilmembers Bowcutt, Jex, Lewis, and Westergard, Interim City Manager Nessen, and City Recorder Nelson. Councilmember Oyler was excused.

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation by: Jim Williams from Bear River Valley Baptist Church
Pledge by: Student Glen Gilmore
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of Agenda:

Mayor Rohde said on the agenda under Citizen Engagement, it says residents may address the Council only on issues not listed below on the agenda. I want that changed to-residents may address the Council on any issue not listed on Strategic Business. This sounded like they could not talk about anything inside of the Consent Agenda and that is not the case. We are trying to encourage discussion during Strategic Business, but any other subjects are open for discussion.

Motion by Councilmember Jex to approve the agenda of February 3, 2026. Motion seconded by Councilmember Lewis. Vote: Councilmember Bowcutt - yes, Councilmember Jex - yes, Councilmember Lewis - yes, Councilmember Oyler - absent, Councilmember Westergard - yes. Motion approved.

5. Declaration of Conflict of Interest: None.
6. Presentations
 - a. Tremonton City Citizenship Award to Elementary and Intermediate Students
7. Citizen Engagement – General Public Comment

Chris Danvers said the last time I was here was April, right in the middle of budget season. I predicted there would be a huge change on the bench and am glad to see that my prediction came about. Welcome to all of you who are new. I am glad to see the ones who are still here. I had a few thoughts sitting through your Work Session. As far as Director Seedall leaving, I think it is going to be a hard hit. He is amazing. I would encourage the Council to consider apprenticeships and internships, offering high school students, as well as those leaving our high school and going to local colleges. There are

two types of people in small towns—people who want to live here forever and those who want to get out. Find the ones who want to live here forever and give them a reason to. Give them a pathway to stay here. Find places in the City to do those internships and apprenticeships and help them to have affordable ways to learn and grow into those positions. I do not think anybody is going to take care of the City more than the people who have lived and grown up here. I walked into the discussion of a big ask for pickleball courts. Although I love the idea of more parks, remember the last Council had a spending and yes problem. \$7 million sounds like an awful lot of money. Right after that was road repairs going from \$330,000 a year to \$1.3 million a year. You might want to ease into that. Our pockets are still reeling from the Board of Education and Truth in Taxation.

8. Consent Agenda - Any Councilmember may request an item be removed for separate discussion
 - a. Approval of minutes – January 20, 2026
 - b. Adoption of November Financial Statements & Warrant Registers
 - c. Approval of Resolution No. 26-07 awarding bid for East Canal Equalization Basin Project
 - d. Approval of Resolution No. 26-08 awarding bid for 2026 Waterline Replacement Project
 - e. Approval of Resolution No. 26-09 approving City Manager Contract
 - f. Approval of Resolution No. 26-10 amending Section II Purchasing Policy & Contracts regarding credit card usage
 - g. Approval of Resolution No. 26-11 amending the Compensation and Classification Plan
 - h. Approval of Resolution No. 26-12 approving Dignified Discourse and Productive Communication

Motion by Councilmember Bowcutt to accept the Consent Agenda. Motion seconded by Councilmember Westergard. Roll Call Vote: Councilmember Bowcutt - yes, Councilmember Jex - yes, Councilmember Lewis - yes, Councilmember Oyler - absent, Councilmember Westergard - yes. Motion approved.

Mayor Rohde said we need to include the amendment to the City Manager Contract in the motion. Councilmember Bowcutt said I amend my motion that we include the amendment to the City Manager contract. The amendment was, there will be a six-month performance interview that the Council and Mayor will perform. There will be an annual evaluation, too.

Amended Motion by Councilmember Bowcutt to accept the Consent Agenda. Motion seconded by Councilmember Jex. Roll Call Vote: Councilmember Bowcutt - yes, Councilmember Jex - yes, Councilmember Lewis - yes, Councilmember Oyler - absent, Councilmember Westergard - yes. Motion approved.

9. Strategic Business (Ordinances & Policies): None
10. Reports and Calendar
 - a. City Manager Report

Manager Nessen said thank you Council for your confidence in me. I will not let you down. Director Mackley and I think it would be a great idea to have the Council tour Public Works. Seeing it will help with future discussions. We could do that before a City Council meeting on March 17. It would take about an hour and a half. The Work Session could start at 6 p.m. The tour would start at 4 p.m. That would all be advertised as a public meeting with the first portion being on location.

Manager Nessen said we have a billboard on southbound I-84. We had a lease with Wendell Petterson that expired in 2023. We do not currently have a lease and UDOT needs us to have one. We reached out to the Petterson family as Wendell has passed away. We are working with his sons to get a new lease in place. Is this a billboard you want to keep? We have allocated Intermountain Health to advertise on our billboard for 20 years. In 2017 they changed the signed copy. Almost nine years later it has disintegrated. Our question is do we want to keep the billboard? Do we want to ask Intermountain Health if they want to put anything up? Do we want to put a signed copy up? For the last 10 years we have paid a \$1,000 lease per year to use part of Mr. Petterson's property for this billboard. His sons have asked that to increase to \$3,000 a year and then increase by inflation every year for the next 10 year. It is our billboard so we could remove it if we do not want to pay the lease anymore. Mayor Rohde said I would love to put some of our new branding up about the City of Connections. Councilmember Jex said advertising ads are expensive so if there is an opportunity for us to advertise something beneficial, this is a cheap way to do it. Councilmember Lewis said are there any companies we could sublease it to? That would be revenue for us plus it brings the economy to one of our local businesses. The Council suggested getting a quote from YESCO and seeing if a business would be interested. Mayor Rohde said I think we are okay with signing the lease. City staff would prepare this item to be on the agenda for their next meeting.

b. Upcoming Calendar Items

Mayor Rohde said the Daddy Daughter Dance is February 7, at 5:30 p.m. The Town Hall meeting is at 7 p.m. on February 12. In that meeting I would like to show the new website and where we are headed. The Senior Center dinner and dance is at 5:30 p.m. on February 13. The food drive for the food pantry is March 14. Councilmember Jex said the police department is doing a benefit fundraiser dinner on February 21, at 5 p.m. at the fairgrounds. Tickets are \$30 and 100% of the proceeds go to sending families and the department back to D.C. for police week.

Mayor Rohde said we need to go into a Closed Meeting for the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence or physical or mental health of an individual.

Motion by Councilmember Lewis to move into closed meeting. Motion seconded by Councilmember Westergard. Vote: Councilmember Bowcutt - yes, Councilmember Jex - yes, Councilmember Lewis - yes, Councilmember Oyler - absent, Councilmember Westergard - yes. Motion approved.

The Council moved into a closed meeting at 7:38 p.m.

11. **CLOSED MEETING:**

- a. *Strategy session to discuss the purchase of real property when public discussion of the transaction would disclose the appraisal or estimated value of the property under consideration or prevent the public body from completing the transaction on the best possible terms; and/or*
- b. *Strategy session to discuss the character, professional competence or physical or mental health of an individual; and/or*
- c. *Strategy sessions to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation; and/or*
- d. *Discussions regarding security personnel, devices or systems*

Motion by Councilmember Jex to return to open meeting. Motion seconded by Councilmember Bowcutt. Vote: Councilmember Bowcutt - yes, Councilmember Jex - yes, Councilmember Lewis - yes, Councilmember Oyler - absent, Councilmember Westergard - yes. Motion approved.

The Council returned to open session at 7:54 p.m.

12. Adjournment

Motion by Councilmember Westergard to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by consensus of the Council. Vote: Councilmember Bowcutt - yes, Councilmember Jex - yes, Councilmember Lewis - yes, Councilmember Oyler - absent, Councilmember Westergard - yes. Motion approved.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

The undersigned duly acting and appointed Recorder for Tremonton City Corporation hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes for the City Council Meeting held on the above referenced date. Minutes were prepared by Jessica Tanner.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Cynthia Nelson, City Recorder