

# TROPIC TOWN BOARD MEETING

**Date:** Thursday, January 8, 2026

**Time:** 6:00 PM

**Location:** Town Council Room, Heritage Center  
20 N Main, Tropic, UT 84776

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## Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Merrilee Mecham at 6 PM.

## In Attendance

WaLon Brinkerhoff, Merrilee Mecham, Lance Syrett, Sydney Lamas, Mike Ahlstrom (via Google Meets) Dani Harding, Cassie Chynoweth  
Others Present: Kelly Crane

## Prayer

Prayer was offered by Merrilee Mecham.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Lance Syrett led the Pledge of allegiance.

**Vision Statement:** Cassie Chynoweth

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## Administration of Oath of Office

Members, Lance Syrett and Sydney Lamas by Dani Harding-Town Clerk . ( Mike Ahlstrom was ex

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## Approval of Minutes

### November 2025 Minutes

A motion was made by Lance Syrett to approve the November 2025 minutes.  
Seconded by Merrilee. All were in favor and the motion passed.

## **Adoption of Agenda**

A motion was made by Merrilee Mecham to adopt the agenda as presented.  
Seconded by Lance Syrett. All were in favor and the motion passed.

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## **Business Items**

### **Swearing in of New Council Member**

Mike Ahlstrom participated via Google Meet and was appointed as the new council member. The Oath of Office will be administered at a future meeting when he is present in person.

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### **Appointment of Planning Commission Member(s)**

A motion was made by Merrilee Mecham to appoint Tracy Johnson and Amber Williams to the Planning Commission.  
Seconded by Sydney Lamas. All were in favor and the motion passed.

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### **Conflict of Interest Forms**

Conflict of Interest forms were signed by Town Council Members as required.

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### **Discussion of Departmental Assignments for Town Board Members**

The Town Board discussed departmental assignments for its members. This item did not require action, and a work meeting will be scheduled for the mayor to assign these roles.

### **Discussion of Potential Projects for CIB Funding**

Discussion was held regarding potential projects for CIB funding.  
No action was taken.

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## **Public Comment**

Dani Harding spoke to the Town Board on behalf of **Elaine Haas** concerning a water leak and a request for forgiveness of a bill overage. Following discussion, the Town Council agreed to cover half of Ms. Haas's overage from her most recent bill.

A motion was made by Lance Syrett to have the town cover her overage  
Seconded by Merrilee. All were in favor and the motion carried.

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## **Planning Commission Recommendations**

### **Acacia Mangum – Just Livin' (Intuitive Healing)**

The Planning Commission recommendation was presented and discussed.

Lance Syrett moved to approve a business license for intuitive healing, allowing Acacia to operate the business from her home.

Seconded by Merrilee Mecham. All were in favor and the motion passed.

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## **Employee Reports**

### **Town Clerk – Dani Harding**

No report

### **Public Works – Ethan Willis**

Wyatt and Ethan both need to get air brake CDL Certified.

Discussion was held regarding cell phone reimbursement/allowance for Wyatt.

A motion was made by Sydney Lamas to give Wyatt a 25 dollar per paycheck reimbursement for his cell phone.

Seconded by Lance Syrett. All were in favor and the motion carried.

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## **Department Reports**

### **Water & Sewer**

Report given.

### **Roads & Streets**

Report given.

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### **Financial & Legal**

#### **Approval of Financial Warrants**

Discussion: The Town is switching to the Polaris system soon, awaiting final accountant approval for the merger.

A motion was made by Lance Syrett to approve the financial warrants.  
Seconded by Sydney Lamas. All were in favor and the motion carried.

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### **Department Reports (continued)**

**Transportation.** Nothing to report

**Parks & Recreation:** Updates given on the town park.

**Heritage Center:** Nothing to report

**Tourism:** Nothing to report

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### **Adjourn**

A motion was made by Lance Syrett to adjourn the meeting.  
Seconded by Merrilee.  
The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.

### **Executive Session (if needed)**

No executive session was held.

### **Minutes prepared by:**

Dani Harding, Town Clerk