

## **BOULDER TOWN, UTAH PUBLIC NOTICE**

Governing Body: TOWN COUNCIL  
Meeting Type: Regular Meeting and Public Hearing  
Date and Time: Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.  
Location: Boulder Community Center, 351 North 100 East, Boulder, Utah

*In accordance with the Utah Open and Public Meetings Act, [Utah Code Ann. § 52-4-202](#), the minutes for the above-referenced meeting are provided below.*

### **MINUTES**

Note: The meeting's recording is incomplete. It starts approximately with Agenda Item IV. Public Comment on Agenda Items and ends just before the Council proceeds to Agenda Item XII. Closed Session.

#### **I. OPENING PROCEDURES**

##### **1.1. Call to Order**

Mayor Cheryl Cox called the Tuesday, February 3, 2026, regular town council meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

##### **1.2. Determination of Quorum**

Mayor Cox conducted a roll call. All Town Council members were present, establishing a quorum.

Town Council Present:

Mayor Cheryl Cox  
Council Member Lacy Allen  
Council Member Josh Ellis  
Council Member Tina Karlsson  
Council Member John Veranth

Staff Present:

Elizabeth Julian, Town Clerk  
Erin Smith, Zoning Administrator

Also Present:

Roger Carter, Five-County Local Administrative Advisor (online via Zoom)  
Michael Winn, Town Attorney, joined the meeting (online via Zoom) after approximately one hour

### **1.3. Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Cox asked everyone to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. The assembly recited the pledge together.

### **1.4. Motion to Adopt the Agenda**

The agenda was adopted by the Council with one modification: the public hearing was moved to immediately follow the presentations and reports.

### **1.5. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest**

Mayor Cox asked if there were any conflicts of interest to declare. No conflicts were declared.

## **II. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS (Information/Discussion)**

### **2.1. Quarterly Budget Report**

Dave Sanderson, CPA, presented the Quarterly Budget Report.

Councilmember Lacy Allen, who, as former Deputy Clerk and Treasurer, had made the mortgage payment on the Community Center (Building Authority), will work with Dave to verify that the Pelorus reports accurately reflect this action.

### **2.2. Lisa Varga on Commemorative Bench Proposal**

Lisa Varga requested the Council's approval to install a commemorative bench on the community center grounds. The bench would honor individuals who have served the community, particularly those whose efforts have beautified the town grounds.

### **2.3. America250 Utah | Boulder Town Update**

Peg Smith, the Committee Representative, reported on her attendance at the recent America250 meetings at both the state and county levels. She also highlighted current local initiatives, including the "Give Boulder A Hand" volunteer program and the upcoming planning session for the Fourth of July celebration.

### **III. PUBLIC HEARING (Public Input Only)**

#### **3.1. Proposed Adjustment to the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget**

No public input was received during the hearing.

### **IV. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS (Public Input)**

No members of the public provided comments on agenda items during this period.

### **V. DEPARTMENT REPORTS (Information)**

#### **5.1. Members**

**Councilmember Josh Ellis** reported on the fire department's activities, noting that firefighters had attended fire school for search-and-rescue training, though they registered late due to a new system and limited class choices. They also took a finance class. He mentioned that the wildfire council was inquiring about implementing notification systems, but this was on hold. He noted they couldn't even meet state law requirements and would need more staff before implementing additional systems. He also mentioned that landfill matters would be discussed later.

**Councilmember Tina Karlsson** reported on the Planning Commission and Tree Committee. For the Planning Commission's January meeting, she shared that she had communicated the council's request to combine the general plan and land use ordinance to clarify and rewrite parts that were unclear, confusing, or not applicable. Planning Commission Chair Nancy Tosta had developed a plan to initiate this process, dividing the general plan into sections and linking them to applicable sections of the zoning ordinance. Commissioners were assigned specific tasks, and they agreed to a joint meeting with the Town Council on February 10th at 6:00 PM.

Regarding the Tree Committee, Councilmember Karlsson noted their last meeting was in October, where they set their schedule, including Arbor Day plans. They're adjusting their meeting structure. They requested the formation of a committee including three Tree Committee members, a town council representative, and street department representation. Their next meeting is scheduled for February 28th.

**Councilmember John Veranth** requested information about the Board of Adjustments meeting. Elizabeth responded that the Board met the previous Tuesday with four of five members present. They completed training and appointed Jen Bach as chair and Susan Kelly as vice chair.

Councilmember Veranth also requested that future Town Council agendas include time for open discussion among council members at the end of meetings to facilitate information sharing and feedback to staff that would otherwise be difficult due to open meeting law constraints.

**Councilmember Lacy Allen** reported that Boulder Wellness is changing officers, but they are willing to support EMS endeavors and are sponsoring Monday morning workouts at 9:00 AM. Regarding EMS, she noted that Jace Allen had passed his certification test, providing another certified EMS provider in town. She has been working with Evan Mabry who sent her a list of needs from the EMTs. She mentioned discussing the possibility of a Boulder EMS fund and plans to schedule a meeting with Boulder Wellness, Escalante EMS, Boulder EMA, and County Commissioner Jerry Taylor to improve relationships and potentially bring an ambulance back to Boulder sooner. She additionally noted that two individuals were willing to become advanced EMTs.

## 5.2. Staff

Landfill Attendant Cindy Wilson's report was relayed by Town Clerk Elizabeth Julian, which included:

- The existing construction pit has reached capacity, necessitating the creation of a new pit.
- The yard waste area requires attention, either through burning the material or pushing it back.
- Cindy Wilson requested an update regarding the disposal of the house and the pit located behind it.

- Cindy Wilson opposed collecting fees at the landfill, citing concerns about potential illegal dumping and the practical difficulties of handling cash payments.

Zoning Administrator Erin Smith reported on January activities, which included:

- Issuing three project permits:
  - Daniel Kennedy (15 South Lower Boulder Road) for an addition to an existing structure.
  - Cynthia Wilson (95 West 200 North) for an addition to an existing structure.
  - Hell's Backbone Farms Real Estate LLC (20 North Highway 12) for the installation of a walk-in freezer shed with dry storage and office space.
- Other duties involved training and ongoing development of forms and applications, specifically focusing on the project permit application process and workflow.

### **5.3. Mayor**

Mayor Cox reported on several matters:

- Hiring: There are three applicants for the clerk and treasurer positions, but none for the landfill backup position, which may result in occasional closures. Applications will still be accepted until the process is complete. A hiring committee will be formed, including council members, planning commission members, and community representatives, with interviews to begin in the next week.
- Building maintenance: Corry Johnson has been working to locate the septic tank for pumping, but the ground is currently too hard to find it based on the maps.
- Cemetery: Gladys LeFevre delivered military flags for the cemetery, which are being stored in the maintenance shed. There are 32 flags for veterans. The Mayor met with Karen Terry, the cemetery coordinator, clarifying that there is no cemetery committee. Karen would like to create a temporary on-site identification system for graves, possibly starting with a mailbox containing information and eventually implementing a more permanent system. She also wants to organize a community cleanup day.
- Boulder Arts Council: The council is undergoing reconfiguration and recently received a \$3,000 grant from the Garfield Travel Council for the 2026 Music

in the Park event.

- Training materials: The Mayor acknowledged the extensive training materials provided and emphasized their importance for effective service. She noted that the open meeting training is mandatory for everyone.
- Planning Commission vacancy: Colleen Thompson submitted a resignation letter, but posting the vacancy will be postponed until next month to determine the replacement process, as they have an alternate who can serve in the interim.
- Ethics: The council needs to approve and sign ethics forms, which will be addressed at a future meeting.

## VI. CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda included acceptance of the financial reports prepared by Dave Sanderson, approval of the January 6 meeting minutes, and approval of the proposed expenditure for Google Workspace. There were no forms or applications to approve this month.

***Motion:** Councilmember Josh Ellis moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Councilmember Tina Karlsson seconded.*

***Vote:** Roll Call – Councilmember Josh Ellis - Aye, Councilmember Tina Karlsson - Aye, Councilmember John Veranth - Aye, Councilmember Lacy Allen - Aye, Mayor Cheryl Cox - Aye.*

***Result:** Approved unanimously (5-0)*

## VII. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION ITEMS (Motion Required)

### 7.1. Consideration of the Proposal Request for the Commemorative Bench on the community center grounds

Mayor Cox thanked Lisa Varga for providing pictures of the proposed commemorative bench, which would recognize volunteers who go above and beyond in their support of community projects.

***Motion:** Councilmember Josh Ellis made a motion to approve the commemorative bench proposal as presented. Councilmember Tina Karlsson seconded.*

*Vote: Voice Vote – all ayes.*

***Result: Motion Passed unanimously 5-0***

**7.2. Consideration of RES-2026-J: A resolution in which the Boulder Town Council expresses support and appreciation for GSENM and its current management plan**

Mayor Cheryl Cox discussed Boulder's history of support for the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, noting that in 2017, Mayor Bill Muse and Councilmember Peter Benson spoke against shrinking the monument at a county meeting. In 2018, Boulder signed on to a friend-of-the-court amicus brief in the US District Court opposing the reduction, along with 21 other mayors and council members. The monument is once again threatened, and the council considered continuing its support.

Councilmember Josh Ellis questioned the urgency of the matter. Mayor Cheryl Cox explained that action is underway with stakeholders in Washington, DC, that could influence decision-makers.

Councilmember Tina Karlsson mentioned that the issue has already been addressed in some form, noting it has been in legislative reports.

Councilmember John Veranth supported the resolution, noting that the current plan was developed with meaningful community input over several years, and Congress is attempting to override this process. Mayor Cheryl Cox agreed that supporting the management plan would help prevent chaos and disruption.

After reviewing the draft resolution's provisions, including references to Boulder's zoning code and general plan, Mayor Cheryl Cox conducted an informal poll of the audience, which showed strong support for the resolution.

***Motion:*** *Councilmember John Veranth moved to approve Resolution 2026-H [2026-J] as presented. Councilmember Tina Karlsson seconded.*

***Vote:*** *Roll Call – Councilmember Josh Ellis - Nay, Councilmember Tina Karlsson - Aye, Councilmember John Veranth - Aye, Councilmember Lacy Allen - Aye, Mayor Cheryl Cox - Aye.*

***Result: Motion Passed 4-1***

**7.3. Consideration of RES-2026-H: A resolution opposing Senate Bill S.2970**

Mayor Cheryl Cox explained that last month, Scott Brodie provided information about Senate Bill S.2970, which would allow off-highway vehicles (OHV) in Capitol Reef National Park. After hearing community concerns, the council directed the Mayor to write a letter opposing the bill, which was sent to Senator Lee's and Senator Curtis's offices, as well as the relevant committee. No response has been received since sending the letter.

Councilmember Lacy Allen mentioned that Scott Brodie had spoken with a key figure who recommended that a resolution would be more effective than a letter.

***Motion:*** Councilmember Lacy Allen moved to approve Resolution 2026-J [2026-H]. Councilmember Tina Karlsson seconded.

***Vote:*** Roll Call – Councilmember Josh Ellis - Aye, Councilmember Tina Karlsson - Aye, Councilmember John Veranth - Aye, Councilmember Lacy Allen - Aye, Mayor Cheryl Cox - Nay.

***Result: Motion Passed 4-1***

**7.4. Consideration of HVAC Repair for the Community Center**

Councilmember John Veranth presented bids for HVAC repairs, noting it had been eight months since discussions began about the need for repairs, with about three months before the cooling season starts. He reported that the town had met purchasing policy requirements for soliciting bids, though the bids weren't directly comparable due to the unclear scope of work. He identified Blake Heating as the most responsive bidder with the lowest bid for in-kind replacement of the existing chiller unit.

Blake also provided an option to install separate mini-split units for the central area and the clerk's office, which would be more efficient and cost-effective by allowing specific areas to be cooled only when needed.

Councilmember Lacy Allen asked for clarification on the mini-split option, concerned about coverage in other areas, such as the library. Councilmember Veranth clarified that other conditioning units are working, and these would only address the meeting room and the clerk's office. She also raised concerns that mini-splits are susceptible to damage from power surges when the power goes out.

***Motion:** Councilmember John Veranth moved to authorize spending not to exceed \$15,000 with Blake's Heating and Air to address the HVAC needs, with the specific solution to be determined after an on-site assessment. Councilmember Josh Ellis seconded.*

***Vote:** Voice Vote – all ayes.*

***Result:** Motion Passed unanimously 5-0*

## VIII. LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEMS (Motion Required)

### 8.1. Consideration and Possible Action on the Proposed Adjustment to the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget

Councilmember John Veranth noted procedural concerns about budget adjustments, stating that technically, the adjusted budget should have been presented to citizens 10 days before the meeting, but corrections were being made up until the day of the meeting. He recommended postponing the vote until next month with a clean copy of the budget.

Mayor Cheryl Cox and Councilmember Tina Karlsson questioned whether this was necessary, since they were reducing expenditures in some areas that wouldn't normally require a public hearing. However, Councilmember Veranth pointed out that they were also increasing expenditures in other areas, such as the landfill and roads, which do require proper notice.

After discussion about whether another hearing was necessary, given the reductions being made, and some supporting documents provided by Dave Sanderson were not available until earlier in the day due to corrections requested by Councilmember Veranth, two competing motions emerged.

***Motion:** Councilmember John Veranth moved to direct Dave Sanderson*

*to prepare a complete copy of the budget with the discussed changes for a second hearing and formal vote next month. Councilmember Tina Karlsson seconded.*

***Vote:** Roll Call – Councilmember Josh Ellis - nay, Councilmember Tina Karlsson - aye, Councilmember John Veranth - aye, Councilmember Lacey Allen - nay, Mayor Cheryl Cox - nay.*

***Result: Motion Failed 3-2***

***Motion:** Councilmember Lacy Allen moved to approve the budget adjustment with changes to decrease the copier allocation from \$10,000 to \$3,000 and to increase the HVAC allocation to \$15,000, with all other items as presented. Councilmember Josh Ellis seconded.*

***Vote:** Roll Call – Councilmember Josh Ellis - Aye, Councilmember Tina Karlsson - Aye, Councilmember John Veranth - Nay, Councilmember Lacy Allen - Aye, Mayor Cheryl Cox - Aye*

***Result: Motion Passed 4-1***

## **IX. WORK SESSION (Discussion Only - No Action Taken)**

### **9.1. Discussion and Review of the General Plan Revision Plan**

Mayor Cheryl Cox reported that the Town Council directed the Planning Commission to update the general plan and zoning ordinance, with a joint meeting scheduled for February 10th at 6:00 PM. Kevin Smedley from the Five County Association of Governments will attend in person and has received town documents to prepare guidance, particularly about legislative changes. Goals for the meeting include getting input from both councils, discussing a potential annexation chapter, and reviewing the process for council direction to the Planning Commission.

### **9.2. Discussion and Review of Capital Asset Self-Inventory (CASI)**

Mayor Cheryl Cox explained that Boulder Town must submit an annual capital needs analysis to qualify for CID (Community Impact Development) grants or CPDG (Community Planning and Development Grant) funding. This year's projects included building accessibility improvements, playground safety updates, new fire

equipment, and consideration of a building on the north property. She suggested working with Mike Johnson, the Five County Association of Governments grant specialist, to prioritize projects and seek funding, particularly for the water truck, given recent fire concerns.

Councilmember John Veranth complimented those who contributed to the CASI but noted some inaccuracies, such as listing roads in poor condition despite recent chip sealing that should provide a 10-year lifespan. Mayor Cheryl Cox agreed they should correct this information, as they hadn't submitted that assessment.

### **9.3. Business License Update**

Mayor Cheryl Cox reported that the Town Council extended business licenses through December 31, 2026, via a January resolution to allow time to update the application and ordinances. The administrative team is preparing an initial draft of language for public input and a work session in March, with potential council action in April. All current license holders were notified of the extension, and fees were waived for this year.

Councilmember John Veranth advocated for simplicity, suggesting they consider whether some requirements could be eliminated rather than made more complicated, focusing only on what state law requires.

### **9.4. Discussion on Amending Chapter 111 Regarding Alcohol**

Mayor Cheryl Cox noted that the Town Council reached consensus in January to eliminate local alcohol licenses and grant local consent solely through the Town Council. A draft amendment to replace Chapter 111 needs to be prepared and made public for review.

Councilmember Josh Ellis stated that the draft language was ready for the following month's meeting.

Note: Draft language from Councilmember Josh Ellis, provided on January 12th, was inadvertently omitted from the meeting materials and discovered only after the meeting.

### **9.5. Discussion and Review of Purchasing Policy**

Mayor Cheryl Cox reported that they located Boulder Town's purchasing policy, approved on May 1, 2014. The policy needs updating, and Councilmember John Veranth provided input, particularly about purchase authorization authority levels. Mayor Cheryl Cox recommended consulting with someone from the state procurement office or a county with expertise before making extensive revisions, while acknowledging that some amounts, like the \$1,000 and \$5,000 thresholds from 2014, should be adjusted for inflation.

#### **9.6. Discussion and Review of Fee Schedule**

Mayor Cheryl Cox suggested reviewing the fee schedule, noting that some changes made last year have proven cumbersome. She met with Erin to discuss fees related to zoning and mentioned that the cleaning deposit requirement for building use has created barriers for community access. She also noted that improved forms might help clarify fee structures. Councilmember Lacy Allen volunteered to be on a committee to review the fee schedule.

Councilmember Josh Ellis noted that many fees, particularly land-use-based ones, may not be legally enforceable if they aren't explicitly mentioned in ordinances, suggesting this should be considered during the zoning ordinance rewrite.

#### **9.7. Discussion on Bolder Way Forward Resolution**

Mayor Cheryl Cox explained that Boulder is involved in the statewide Bolder Way Forward initiative supporting women and girls in Utah, collaborating with the Garfield County coalition and a five-county regional group. This involvement has provided resources for local issues, with committees working on childcare, abuse prevention, and civic engagement. The initiative is under the Utah Women in Leadership Project, which collects data on women and girls in Utah. Many Utah municipalities have passed official resolutions supporting the movement, and Mayor Cheryl Cox recommended Boulder Town adopt a similar resolution in March, which is Women's Month.

#### **9.8. Discussion Regarding the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources' Predator Management Study**

Mayor Cheryl Cox reported that the State of Utah has proposed eradicating all mountain lions in six areas, including Boulder, which was the subject of a well-attended presentation on January 20th at the Anasazi Museum that drew over

100 people. The presentation raised significant concerns about public safety and the methods proposed, including allowing trappers unlimited access to baited snares, which could endanger both domestic and wild animals.

Rather than immediately taking action, Mayor Cheryl Cox suggested gathering more information from the community about their concerns. She announced a meeting scheduled for the following day at 6:00 PM for those who couldn't attend the presentation or who had strong opinions to share. She emphasized that it wouldn't be a Town Council meeting, but requested one or two council members attend as note-takers.

Councilmember Josh Ellis appreciated having the study document provided and expressed willingness to help. Councilmember John Veranth emphasized the importance of hearing from a wide range of community members, including pet owners, ranchers, and retirees. Councilmember Lacy Allen shared that her dog had been caught in a baited trap in Circle Cliffs last year, requiring five people to free it, and expressed concerns, as a mother, about her child potentially encountering traps while playing on Forest Service land bordering their property.

### **9.9. Review and Discussion of Landfill Resolution**

Councilmember Josh Ellis reported that the state sent a letter following an audit two years ago, and there are several critical issues to address. According to Sam Stout, there's approximately three years of capacity left at the landfill. The only area deep enough for a proper pit as required by their permit is where the current pit is, which can be doubled in size by expanding eastward, but then they'll hit limitations. He noted that compliance will be expensive, requiring an engineer for a closure estimate and likely more than the current \$18,000 in the closure fund.

Councilmember Ellis proposed implementing landfill fees of approximately \$15 per load or \$30 for a truck trailer, comparable to other facilities, to generate revenue. He recommended digital-only payments to avoid issues with cash handling requirements. He stated that while there are long-term questions about establishing a new landfill, the immediate need is to begin generating revenue.

Mayor Cheryl Cox suggested this might be a good topic for a committee that includes community members to address the numerous aspects, including revenue generation, landfill capacity, and future planning.

Note: Draft language for the revised landfill policy was included in the meeting materials, the council did not discuss it directly or display it on the screen.

### **9.10. Discussion and Review of Chapter 92: Street Trees**

Councilmember Josh Ellis explained that he had identified numerous problems with the street tree ordinance that have persisted for years. After bringing these to the Street Committee's attention, they expressed interest in rewriting the ordinance. He sought council consensus to form a subcommittee to engage with the Tree Committee on this rewrite, emphasizing that town committees should not rewrite ordinances without direction from the council.

The council agreed to move forward with revising the ordinance, with Councilmember Tina Karlsson likely leading the effort and Councilmember Ellis offering assistance if needed.

## **X. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (Public Input)**

**Brad Chalfont** thanked the council for the resolution on the Congressional Review Act and provided context that the Government Accountability Office (GAO) ruled, at Representative Malloy's request, that an administrative plan for a national monument is a rule subject to the Act, which wasn't previously the position. This means not only would grazing rights be affected, but the BLM would be unable to adopt any similar plan for archaeological site management or recreational facilities without congressional action. Regarding the cougar study, he noted that while leg traps are relatively easy to release, snares are much more dangerous, and the safety risk and economic impact on communities adjacent to the Boulder management area could be significant.

**Matt Cochran** addressed the cougar issue, noting that there are no limits on cougar hunting and that anyone holding a \$35 hunting license can take cougars in the Boulder unit. The recent decision has placed government trappers on the mountain for 100% eradication, without identifying where their traps are located. He emphasized this is both a public safety and economic issue affecting businesses like BOSS and Hell's Backbone Grill, as well as dog owners and hikers. He urged the town to consider a resolution as a governing body, emphasizing the need to address management practices that aren't based on science.

**Nancy Tosta** supported a town resolution on the cougar situation and thanked the council for voting on the monument resolution, noting one correction needed regarding the general plan update date. She also mentioned that capital assets must be included in the general plan, which currently isn't the case.

**Joshua Lisbon**, a visiting mountain lion researcher, expressed concern about public safety related to traps. He reported helping search for dogs in Escalante, with one returning after five days with paw and mouth injuries consistent with being trapped, and another returning after a week with similar injuries. He warned that as recreation increases, more incidents like these are likely to occur.

**Phoenix Bunke** (online via Zoom) thanked the town council for passing the monument resolutions, stating that even symbolic gestures are important, and voiced support for a resolution against the mountain lion study.

**Peg Smith** (online via Zoom) expressed appreciation for the monument and OHV resolutions and concern about procedural moves that circumvent public opinion. She noted that many government actions are intentionally low-key and not highly publicized, urging the town to find ways to expedite responses to rapidly developing issues.

**Tessa Barkin** (online via Zoom) voiced support for resolutions against the cougar study and emphasized the urgency of action, noting that each month of delay means more cougars dying and continued risks to the community.

**Constance Lynn Cornell** thanked the council for their resolutions and suggested that Boulder Town might consider prohibiting traps within town limits as a starting point. She mentioned the study is officially called Watershed Mitigation Initiative 7707 and covers six large units, including Boulder, with the goal of killing all cougars while monitoring effects on deer populations.

**Keith Watts** commented on the landfill, suggesting fees should be \$50-75 and noting the significant amount of lumber, sheet metal, and other materials that could be repurposed or sold by the landfill.

**Evan Mabry**, representing the EMTs, reported they have a long road ahead to get the ambulance back and have a very new crew willing to train and become advanced EMTs. He requested more official representation as an entity of Boulder Town, suggesting a fund to compensate for fuel or necessities. He noted they are undersupplied, with limited resources for mass-casualty incidents, sharing one stethoscope and having one oxygen tank. He supported action on the cougar initiative and agreed that landfill fees are reasonable and could offset expenses.

**Lisa Varga** requested information about arranging for the fire department to burn Lower Boulder, which does not require council action.

**Eric Scott Brusselsmith** thanked the council for the resolutions and expressed concern about the management plan potentially encouraging more visitors through the development of facilities. He urged the council to draft support against the cougar eradication program, questioning the scientific validity of the study and suggesting the researchers should be put in the public spotlight.

## **XI. CLOSING BUSINESS**

### **11.1. Review of Outcomes, Assignments, and Counsel Recommendations**

Town Clerk Elizabeth Julian summarized the meeting outcomes, including:

Elizabeth summarized the meeting outcomes, including:

- The commemorative bench proposal was approved
- Resolution 2026-H supporting the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument was approved 4-1, with a correction needed to the general plan update date
- Resolution 2026-J opposing Senate Bill S.2970 regarding OHVs in Capitol Reef National Park was approved 4-1
- Authorization for HVAC repair not to exceed \$15,000 was approved unanimously
- Budget adjustment was approved 4-1, decreasing the copier allocation to \$3,000 and increasing HVAC allocation to \$15,000
- Various work session items were discussed with follow-up planned for future meetings

### **11.2. Future Agenda Items**

Future agenda items identified:

- Set meeting to go over the budget
- 4th of July update
- Bolder Way Forward Resolution
- Landfill & Fee
- Cougar Resolution

### **11.3. Confirmation of Next Meeting**

The next regular meeting was confirmed for Tuesday, March 3, 2026, at 6:00 PM, with a special joint meeting with the Planning Commission scheduled for February 10th.

## **XII. CLOSED SESSION (Action - Motion Required To Enter/Exit)**

***Motion:** Councilmember Josh Ellis moved to enter a closed meeting to discuss the character or competence of an individual, including all council members and the clerk. Mayor Cheryl Cox seconded.*

***Vote:** Roll Call – Councilmember Josh Ellis - Aye, Councilmember Tina Karlsson - Aye, Councilmember John Veranth - Aye, Councilmember Lacy Allen - Aye, Mayor Cheryl Cox - Aye.*

***Result:** Motion Approved Unanimously 5-0*

The Mayor noted that the council would not return to take any actions after the closed session.

## **XIII. RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING (Discussion & Possible Action)**

The Town Council returned from the Closed Session with all members present.

## **XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

With no objection, Mayor Cheryl Cox adjourned the meeting.

## **CERTIFICATE**

**BOULDER TOWN, STATE OF UTAH**

**PRESIDING OFFICER:**

/s/ Cheryl Cox, Mayor

**ATTESTATION:**

/s/ Elizabeth Julian, Town Clerk

Date Approved by the Town Council: **March 3, 2026**