

On May 19th, 2026, the Lewiston City Council meeting and Public Hearing was held in the Lewiston City Clubroom at 29 South Main at 7:30pm. Council members Westover, Trexler, Simper, Morrison, Bodily, City Recorder Chris Barr, Treasurer Abel Herrera, and Assistant Public Works Director Brennan Hyer were present. Others present included CieAra Bodily, Kirsti Kjome, Patricia Johnson, Julia Cloud, Ronald Cloud, Nancy Pitcher, and Lisa Aedo.

Mayor Bodily called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. Councilmember Morrison expressed appreciation for the volunteer firefighters and emergency personnel and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Review and approval of the minutes of the April 21st, 2026 meeting.

F. Bodily motioned to approve the minutes as stated, seconded by Simper. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Resident Input. Lisa Aedo introduced herself as the new countywide planner.

Nancy Pitcher – 800 N Main intersection

Nancy Pitcher expressed concern about the deteriorating road at the corner where she lives. There is also a water valve that appears to be affected by the conditions. She proposed the idea of reinstalling a drain along the property that is no longer there. Brennan Hyer explained that there is a lot of heavy traffic that cuts that corner and has already broken up the asphalt that was put down last year. Public Works would like to dig a drain that would help the water at that corner drain to the west. Everyone agreed that would help to fix the problem.

Public Hearing – Present Preliminary Budget for FY27.

Westover motioned to open the public hearing. F. Bodily seconded. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Bodily presented the preliminary budget figures for fiscal year 27. Most accounts are unchanged or very close to what they were for the previous year with the exception of streets and parks. Both of these have noticeable increases due to grants. Rodeo also had a large increase due to the price of the stock contractor. The new public works building is being funded for \$400k and the cemetery expansion funded for \$120k.

F. Bodily motioned to close the public hearing. Simper seconded. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

4th of July activities updates.

Mayor Bodily inquired about donors over the different areas and instructed the council members to get names to the sponsorship coordinator, Chis Dunn.

Westover reported that the Jarica Jamison Band would be performing in the park. So far there are 45 vendors registered.

Trexler reported he has talked with Regan Wheeler about fireworks, and the donations are coming in. Nancy Pitcher and her family will be hosting the border run this year with the help of Teresa Swainston. The pickleball tournament has been changed to an open play format.

Simper reported that the rodeo is already contacting sponsors. He would like to meet with public works about fencing for the event.

Morrison reported that the parade form is online and when it gets closer to the Fourth, they will contact everyone.

Mayor's Report.

- Mayor Bodily reported that he has met with the new director of the Division of Water Quality. Everyone is working towards a solution for the sewer.
- Mayor Bodily is trying to get on the Fire Board. He has talked with George Daines and Lewiston is not currently well represented.
- A public works position will be posted to prepare for Paul Swainston's retirement.

Councilmember Reports

Councilmember Westover asked what was happening with the sports courts restroom. F. Bodily has looked at some precast options, similar to one in Richmond. Lewiston is still waiting on the County for final approval of the RAPZ tax awards.

Councilmember Trexler had nothing else to report.

Councilmember Simper had nothing else to report.

Councilmember Morrison reported that Planning & Zoning did get funding for the Master Plan so they will start working on that. They are hoping to have the public hearing on the new short-term rental ordinance.

Councilmember F. Bodily reported that Little Red is coming on June 6th.

Adjourn

F. Bodily motioned to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Simper. All in favor. The motion carried unanimously.



Chris Barr

Lewiston City Recorder