

Erda City Council Minutes

6/25/2026 – 7:00 pm

Erda City Office/Fire Station - Auditorium

Call to Order

1. Roll Call

- a. Councilmembers: Scott Droubay, Clyde Christensen, Kyle Mathews. Online: Sheldon Birch. Absent and Excused: Larry Kimpell
- b. Jennifer Poole-City Recorder, John Brems- City Attorney, Jessilyn Stagg- Deputy Recorder, Online: Rachelle Custer -City Planner

2. Pledge

- a. Clyde led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Comment

- a. Jim Herald- I wanted to talk about fireworks, but the Governor has already addressed it. The map printed in the paper includes a lot of open fields. The Beaver Fire is doubled. It's over 60,000 acres now, and the Eureka fire took off like crazy. Our resources in the county are pretty tight. In the future I think the council needs to look at the fire map.
- b. Buck Peck- Fire Marshal Peck read Firework Memorandum attached at the bottom of these minutes.
- c. Clyde- We might want to put this information online to let the public know anyone in violation will be subject to a fine of up to \$500 and up to 6 months in jail.
- d. Buck- It will be strictly enforced.
- e. Sheldon- Do we want to consider the allowance of fountain fireworks?
- f. Buck- We would have to create a new safe zone, specifically allowing that safe zone, that would have to be a majority of the city council and myself approving that. And I am not going to approve that. My recommendation is to take your family and go to a professional shoot, have a good time and enjoy your family.
- g. **Clyde moved to close public comment, Kyle seconded**
- h. **Voting was unanimous to close public comment**
- i. **Public comment closed.**

4. Approve meeting minutes from 6-11-26

- a. **Scott moved to approve meeting minutes from 6-11-26, Kyle seconded**
- b. **Voting was unanimous to approve meeting minutes from 6-11-26**
- c. **Meeting minutes from 6-11-26 APPROVED**

5. **Consideration of Ordinance 26-09** Denying Petition for Certain Property known as the East Disconnect
- a. Kyle- To deny was the best thing for the city. We need the residential base to survive. We need to learn to work with developers. Some of the area in the disconnect is a great opportunity for commercial development. We need development and land to survive.
 - b. Clyde- I agree with Kyle
 - c. Scott- I am not in favor of forcing people to stay in Erda, but I am also not in favor of removing people who don't want to be out.
 - d. **Scott moved to approve Ordinance 26-09 Denying Petition for Certain Property known as the East Disconnect, Kyle seconded**
 - e. **Roll Call Vote: Kyle- Yes, Clyde- Yes, Sheldon- Yes, Scott- Yes**
 - f. **Ordinance 26-09 Denying Petition for Certain Property known as the East Disconnect APPROVED**
6. **Consideration of Ordinance 26-10** Denying Petition for Certain Property known as the West Disconnect
- a. **Sheldon moved to approve Ordinance 26-10 Denying Petition for Certain Property known as the West Disconnect, Scott seconded**
 - b. **Roll Call Vote: Kyle- Yes, Clyde- Yes, Sheldon- Yes, Scott- Yes**
 - c. **Ordinance 26-10 Denying Petition for Certain Property known as the West Disconnect APPROVED**
7. **Consideration of Resolution 26-10** Approving a 2026-2027 Interlocal Agreement with Tooele County for Road, Law Enforcement, Land Use Inspections and Approvals, and Solid Waste Services
- a. Jennifer- I spoke with the sheriff's secretary and she doesn't have the numbers yet. You would be warranted to adopt it without those specific numbers.
 - b. Well, we did put extra money in just in case it goes up. So, is there any reason we can't approve this, John?
 - c. John- As part of your motion insert an amount not to exceed, and I think that would be appropriate.
 - d. **Scott moved to approve Resolution 26-10 Approving a 2026-2027 Interlocal Agreement with Tooele County for Road, Law Enforcement, Land Use Inspections and Approvals, and Solid Waste Services provided that the sheriff's portion does not exceed the number in our budget, Clyde seconded.**
 - e. **Roll Call Vote: Kyle- Yes, Clyde- Yes, Sheldon- Yes, Scott- Yes**
 - f. **Resolution 26-10 APPROVED**
8. Council Representative Reports
- a. Scott- I went to the rural roads planning committee with the county. We looked at the roads that are expected to be needed over the next 50 years. In that time they only projected one additional east west corridor down Bates Canyon Road. I explained we have no plans to build up to those roads or use those roads. They were wanting to widen Erda Way. I told them that would not work as there are 50 homes that would need to be removed. It was done in West Valley, but I don't think that will happen here.

- b. Clyde- Erda Way is getting really bad. The patch job was bad the day they put it down. Is there a warranty on that?
- c. Scott- Erda Way repaving project is scheduled to begin in July and may start earlier than originally planned because the contractor is ahead of schedule. The project will address the existing road issues. The project will repave the full length of Erda Way, slightly widen the roadway within the existing right-of-way, and extend to Sheep Lane where the water line was installed.
- d. Clyde- On Droubay near 36 I noticed the south side of the road is beat up, but the north part is just fine.
- e. Scott- I spoke to Jed about this. People do not always drive on the pavement. They get distracted and drive off the shoulder and flip gravel up.
- f. Clyde- I wanted to ask Jim if they corrected his problem from the flood.
- g. Jim- No, not yet. There is no drainage on the east side until you get to Joe and Deralds property and then there is a nice drainage.
- h. Clyde- You can tell the difference in the road work there.
- i. Jim- There is a huge hole on the intersection of Cimarron and Toms Lane.
- j. Scott- You can call Jed and let him know.
- k. Jim- In regards to the road, is there any thought of a west side road to take some off of Hwy 36. Are they considering in the future extending Toms Lane all the way to the temple.
- l. Scott- Yes. In the future Toms Lane will go through to the temple and even past that up to Hwy 36.
- m. Clyde- I've seen several close calls at Droubay Road and SR-36 with people turning left into Thompson's and almost getting rear-ended. I think we'll eventually need to look at improvements there because traffic is only going to get worse with Oquirrh Point, the new high school, Copper Cove, and all the other growth coming to the area.
- n. Sheldon- We applied for a grant that will widen that road and add a trail on the side.
- o. Clyde- I looked into the Tooele City lawsuit that has been discussed in the last couple of meetings. From what I found in the Transcript Bulletin, I didn't see anything about taxes being raised because of the lawsuit.
- p. Kyle- You probably saw the email from Dave and Jen Devore. They are in my district.
- q. John- The first issue was Jake brakes on Erda Way. We already have an ordinance prohibiting them citywide, so we can either ask the county to install signs and start enforcing it, or amend the ordinance to specifically mention Erda Way and any other roads we want.
- r. Kyle- There is a family feud. They emailed several issues of code violations.
- s. Sheldon- Code enforcement should review that email and determine if there are any violations that need to be addressed.
- t. Jennifer directed Kyle to forward the email to her and she will print it and send it to code enforcement.
- u. Sheldon- I would like to propose to the council that we consider asking our City Attorney to draft a Waterwise landscape ordinance. We are being asked to conserve water, we want to preserve water for agriculture uses and yet we have new homes going into the city. I feel we need to put rules in place for landscaping. If we put it in the code for future development it doesn't affect anyone already in the city, except it does qualify existing citizens for grant money to change their landscaping to Waterwise landscaping. This is not xeriscaping. I am suggesting less grass and more water wise plants. We are in a

desert and in a drought, we are concerned about the wells, we need to be careful, especially with our new growth.

- v. Directed by the council John will draft an ordinance.
- w. Kyle- What do we do about the No Engine Brake sign?
- x. John- You talk to the engineer and ask the county to put the signs in. One of you should talk to Jed.
- y. Scott- I can, it will be a good idea to do that.
- z. Sheldon- My understanding has always been that Rabbit Lane was converted into a trail by the county and that they've continued maintaining it, even after Erda became a city. Property owners who need access through the gate were supposed to have keys, but recently none of the keys worked anymore. When I contacted the county, they told me Rabbit Lane was never officially changed to a trail, is still classified as a road, and that it belongs to Erda City for us to manage. I think we need to decide how we want to handle that. Since we don't have a parks department, I'd like to see if the county would maintain it under our interlocal agreement until we're ready to take it over ourselves. In the meantime, I suggested replacing the gate lock so adjacent property owners and the Mosquito Abatement District can regain access, and I think we also need to decide whether we want to officially change Rabbit Lane from a road to a trail.
- aa. Scott- It sounds like the county has determined that this is our problem. We should put that on our agenda to discuss.
- bb. John- Sheldon, you should email the county and confirm with the county what you were told.
- cc. Sheldon will email the county and confirm.

9. CLOSED MEETING

- a. **Kyle moved to close the public portion of the meeting, and move to the closed meeting to discuss imminent litigation, Scott seconded the motion**
- b. **Roll Call: Kyle Mathews, Clyde Christensen, Scott Droubay, Sheldon Birch, John Brems, Jennifer Poole, Jessilyn Stagg**
- c. **Clyde moved to close the closed meeting, Kyle seconded.**
- d. **Roll Call Vote: Kyle- Yes, Clyde- Yes, Scott- Yes, Sheldon- Yes**

10. Adjournment

- a. **Clyde moved to adjourn the meeting, Scott seconded**
- b. **Voting was unanimous to adjourn the meeting**
- c. **Meeting adjourned**

Note: these minutes represent a summary of the meeting and are not intended to be verbatim.

Prepared by: Jennifer Poole, Erda City Recorder and Jessilyn Stagg-Deputy Recorder

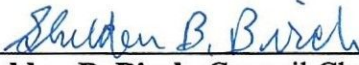
PASSED AND APPROVED by the Council this 9th day of July, 2026.

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ATTEST:



Jennifer Poole, City Recorder



Sheldon B. Birch, Council Chair