

**HUNTINGTON
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
June 17, 2026**

Huntington City Council met in its regularly scheduled council meeting June 17, 2026 at the city office building located at 20 South Main Street. Meeting started at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Leonard Norton presiding.

The following were in attendance:

Mayor: Leonard Norton
Council: Judd Beagley, Tom Kay, Lesa Miller, Devin Wilson (excused),
Gloria Wilson
Recorder: Brandy Wagner
Treasurer: Ronni Torre
Zoning Administrator/Code Enforcement: Jessica Lee
Maintenance Dept.: Scott Gordon Animal Control: Robert Baker

Council member Beagley extended a word to open the meeting, Council member Kay led those present in the pledge of allegiance.

Agenda Item 1. MOTION: CONSENT AGENDA

- **Approval of May 19, 2026 City Council Minutes**
- **Approval of May 12, 2026 Budget Workshop**
- **City Claims and Review of Financials**

COUNCIL MEMBER KAY MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER. ROLL CALL VOTE: COUNCIL MEMBER BEAGLEY – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER KAY – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER – YES, AND COUNCIL MEMBER G WILSON - YES. MOTION CARRIED.

Agenda Item 2. Discuss/approve/deny: BUSINESS LICENSE

Mandy Francis spoke on behalf of Picture Perfect Cleaning and Remodeling LLC. Mayor Norton recommended looking into obtaining a handyman license.

COUNCIL MEMBER G WILSON MOVED TO APPROVE THE BUSINESS LICENSE FOR PICTURE PERFECT CLEANING AND REMODELING LLC; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BEAGLEY AND CARRIED.

Agenda Item 3. Dave Sebring – Donation for Huntington Heritage Days Celebration

Holly Sebring presented a donation on behalf of Dave Sebring from Huntington Part's City and Genco Mine Company for Huntington Heritage Days.

Agenda Item 4. Public Hearing:

- A. Open the Huntington City 2026 fiscal budget to make necessary adjustments for revenues & expenditures.**
- B. Setting the Huntington City Fiscal Year 2027 budget**

COUNCIL MEMBER G WILSON MOVED TO GO INTO PUBLIC HEARING; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER. ROLL CALL VOTE: COUNCIL MEMBER BEAGLEY – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER KAY – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER – YES, AND COUNCIL MEMBER G WILSON – YES.

Treasurer Ronni Torre explained the **Adjustment for the 2026 Fiscal Year Budget.**

General Fund: Changes made in the following departments:

- Increase of revenue from \$1,304,210.00 to \$1,332,610.00
- General Government - decrease budget from \$291,550.00 to \$281,150.00
- Public Safety - increase budget from \$109,700.00 to \$111,350.00
- Highways and Public Improvements - increase budget from \$452,000.00 to \$481,650.00
- Parks, Recreation and Public Property – increase budget from \$359,550.00 to \$367,050.00
- Capital Projects Fund: increase revenue and expenses from \$58,000.00 to \$78,000.00
- Utility Fund: increase revenue \$534,600.00 to \$580,600.00 and expenses from \$579,891.00 to \$653,891.00
- Secondary Fund: increase expenses from \$77,000.00 to \$95,000.00 and revenue will stay the same
- Perpetual Care: decrease revenue and expenses from \$11,000.00 to \$10,400.00

Setting the 2027 Fiscal Year Budget

General Fund by department:

- Total Revenue: \$1,192,333.00
- Expenditures: General Government - \$294,250.00
 - Public Safety - \$116,500.00
 - Highways and Public Improvements - \$289,400.00
 - Parks, Recreation and Public Property – \$375,093.00
 - Debt Service - \$42,090.00
 - Transfer to Capital - \$75,000.00
- Capital Projects Fund: Revenue and Expenses \$208,000.00
- Utility Fund: Revenue \$566,600.00, Expense \$625,891.00
- Secondary Fund: Revenue \$88,000.00, Expense \$97,000.00
- Perpetual Care Fund: Revenue and Expenses \$55,000.00

Treasurer Ronni Torre brought up the need to address our annual utility increase but keep in mind the increase in effect from Castle Valley Special Service District for the next five years.

Mayor Norton said it would be discussed in the next City Council meeting.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER MOVED TO GO OUT OF PUBLIC HEARING; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER G WILSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: COUNCIL MEMBER BEAGLEY – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER KAY – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER – YES, AND COUNCIL MEMBER G WILSON – YES.

Agenda Item 5. Discuss/approve/deny: Resolution 9-2026 Adjusting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2026

COUNCIL MEMBER BEAGLEY MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 9-2026; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER KAY. ROLL CALL VOTE: COUNCIL MEMBER BEAGLEY – YES, COUNCIL

MEMBER KAY – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER – YES, AND COUNCIL MEMBER G WILSON – YES.

Agenda Item 6. Discuss/approve/deny: Resolution 10-2026 Adopt the 2027 Fiscal Year Budget

COUNCIL MEMBER G WILSON MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 10-2026; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER. ROLL CALL VOTE: COUNCIL MEMBER BEAGLEY – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER KAY – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER – YES, AND COUNCIL MEMBER G WILSON – YES.

Agenda Item 7. Discuss/approve/deny: Resolution 11-2026 Setting the Certified Tax Rate for the Fiscal Year 2027

Notice from the County is stating the Tax Rate for the General Fund at 0.000716.

COUNCIL MEMBER KAY MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 11-2026; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BEAGLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: COUNCIL MEMBER BEAGLEY – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER KAY – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER G WILSON - YES.

Agenda Item 8. Discuss/approve/deny: Employee Wage Forms

Annual employee wage increase.

COUNCIL MEMBER KAY MOTIONED TO ACCEPT THE EMPLOYEE WAGE INCREASE; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER. ROLL CALL VOTE: COUNCIL MEMBER BEAGLEY – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER KAY – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER G WILSON – YES.

Agenda Item 9. Discuss/approve/deny: Resolution 7-2026 Donations & Sponsorships

COUNCIL MEMBER BEAGLEY MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 7-2026 DONATIONS AND SPONSORSHIPS; MOTION SECONDED BY G WILSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: COUNCIL MEMBER BEAGLEY – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER KAY – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER G WILSON - YES.

Agenda Item 10. Discuss/approve/deny: Resolution 8-2026 Annexation Application Fee

COUNCIL MEMBER BEAGLEY MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 8-2026 DONATIONS AND SPONSORSHIPS; MOTION SECONDED BY G WILSON. ROLL CALL VOTE: COUNCIL MEMBER BEAGLEY – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER KAY – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER – YES, COUNCIL MEMBER G WILSON - YES.

Agenda Item 11. Discuss/approve/deny: Planning and Zoning Applications

Mayor Norton explained we had two vacancies come up and had two applications turned in Frankie Shantelle Kay and Josh Wagner.

COUNCIL MEMBER G WILSON MOVED TO ACCEPT SHANTELE KAY AND JOSH WAGNER'S APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING AND ZONING; MOTION SECONDED BY BEAGLEY AND CARRIED.

Agenda Item 12. Mayor's Report

Mayor Norton reported that the City has used 152 acre-feet of water to date. He addressed recent issues with the pond running dry, stating that the concerns have been resolved and expressing an apology for the inconvenience caused. Mayor Norton announced a change to the City's watering schedule in an effort to address previously reported water pressure issues.

Properties located north of Center Street will water on Tuesdays and Fridays, while properties south of Center Street will water on Mondays and Thursdays. Business watering days will remain unchanged on Wednesdays and either Saturday or Sunday. Watering hours will also remain the same: midnight to 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. to midnight. Residents were reminded not to water between 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Norton noted that the Castle Valley Special Service District recently distributed its annual water quality report. The report included information regarding backflow prevention requirements and confirmed that the City's drinking water meets all applicable water quality standards. Mayor Norton stated that preparations are underway for the upcoming Heritage Days celebration, which will begin with the rodeo. He expressed gratitude to everyone who has contributed their time and effort to the event thus far. Mayor Norton reported receiving numerous compliments regarding the condition of the cemetery and the memorial. He expressed appreciation to City staff for their hard work and dedication across many City projects and services. He also thanked the City Council for their service and offered an apology if any of his actions or comments had unintentionally hurt anyone's feelings.

Agenda Item 13. Department Reports

Fire Department: Fire report given during council reports

Maintenance Department: Scott Gordon reported that the department successfully managed the Memorial Day activities. Parts needed to repair sprinkler system valves have been received, and staff will begin repairing the damaged valves. Mr. Gordon reported that the branch pile has been burned twice since the previous meeting. The department is currently preparing for the upcoming rodeo and Heritage Days celebration.

Agenda Item 14. Youth City Council Reports

Report given during council reports

Agenda Item 15. Council's Reports

Gloria Wilson expressed appreciation to the Youth City Council and City staff for assisting with the removal of flowers from graves following Memorial Day. The work was completed in approximately one hour. At the cemetery, two cemetery plots had been sold, two plots had been transferred, and a funeral was scheduled for the following Monday. She also thanked Patee Allred and her children, along with Ann Cox and her family, for volunteering their time to repair vandalism that had occurred at the rodeo grounds fire pit.

Judd Beagley expressed appreciation for the Youth City Council and their willingness to assist with community projects, including repairs resulting from vandalism. He also thanked City employees for their continued hard work. He reported that Tralee Gordon had expressed concerns regarding the condition of the hanging flower baskets purchased by the City, she later visited City Hall and refreshed the baskets. Judd stated that he was pleased with the City's water conservation efforts and noted that water usage has decreased. At the Emery County Recreation Special Service District meeting, it was reported that the District Director had submitted her resignation and that the position would need to be filled. The Recreation Department also received financial support from Emery County, which is expected to help the department remain within budget for the year. Judd further reported that the Emery Emergency Management Special Service District had a strong turnout of EMTs at a County

Commission meeting where additional funding assistance was requested. He expressed appreciation for the service provided by local EMTs.

Lesa Miller reported that preparations for the rodeo are nearing completion. The Wild Pony Race will again be held and sponsored by Sarver Meats. Lesa expressed appreciation to Tom Kay for his assistance and noted that the rodeo grounds are in excellent condition, with bleachers installed and weeds removed. Lesa reported that rodeo volunteers are in place and that Marissa had coordinated the queen contest. She noted that vandalism had occurred at the fire pit and that a security camera would be installed. Rodeo entries were scheduled to open on Thursday. Discussion was held regarding rodeo programs, and it was determined that an additional 50 programs would be ordered, bringing the total to 300.

Tom Kay reported that the fireworks shipment had arrived earlier than expected. The shipment contained 108 fewer shots than the previous year, and Chase would be contacting the supplier for clarification. Tom stated that sandbag-filling efforts would begin once a date is established by Chase and requested assistance from both the City Council and Youth City Council. The Fire Department will assist with parking during the rodeo. Preparations for the Heritage Days celebration are scheduled to begin on June 29. Tom commented on the condition of the lawn at the junior high school. Mayor Norton indicated that he would like the school officials contacted to request increased watering on their designated days in an effort to improve the lawn and reduce weeds prior to the Heritage Days celebration.

Agenda Item 16. Zoning Administrator Report

Jessica Lee reported that no zoning clearances were issued during the month.

A complaint regarding a vehicle blocking a sidewalk was resolved after a certified letter was sent to the property owner. A resident living in an RV submitted building plans and obtained a building permit from Emery County. Another resident removed vehicles that had been parked on the street after receiving a certified letter. Work was completed on draft Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) and Flag Lot ordinances with assistance from Brandy and Todd Thorn. Several inquiries regarding property setback requirements were also addressed. Discussion was held with a property owner who recently purchased land and is interested in constructing a primary residence along with three additional cabins on the same parcel. Discussion also occurred regarding the possibility of adopting an ordinance to regulate or limit the number of short-term rentals, including Airbnb properties, within the City. One business license was issued during the month. Two notices were issued regarding water usage violations, and two additional residents were contacted regarding water usage concerns.

Agenda Item 17. Adjournment

COUNCIL MEMBER KAY MOVED TO ADJOURN; MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BEAGLEY AND CARRIED. MEETING ENDED AT 7:27 P.M.

Brandy Wagner
Huntington City Recorder