

Erda City Council Minutes

7/09/2026 – 7:00 pm

Erda City Office/Fire Station - Auditorium

Call to Order

1. Roll Call

- a. Councilmen: Clyde Christensen, Kyle Mathews, Sheldon Birch, Larry Kimpell, Scott Droubay
- b. Jennifer Poole- City Recorder, John Brems- City Attorney, Rachelle Custer- City Planner

2. Pledge

- a. Sheldon- Led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Comment

- a. Derald Anderson- I wasn't at the last two city council meetings. I have listened to both of them. I have heard that the city is open to working with us. The last I had heard was that we are wiping Copper Cove off the map. But the last I heard Copper Cove is essential to the City. I would like to sit down and work with the City on the various issues that we have. Including the disconnection petitions, the trail on the north end of Copper Cove and some wording in the Copper Cove Development Agreement.
- b. **Sheldon closed public comment.**

4. Approve meeting minutes from 6-25-26

- a. Clyde moved to accept the minutes, Kyle seconded the motion
- b. Voting was unanimous to approve the meeting minutes
- c. **Meeting minutes from 6-25-26 approved.**

5. Treasurer Report

- a. Sheldon- I did just renew our .gov subscription and our GoDaddy subscription. Do we have any questions on this?
- b. Kyle- Where is a list of all checks written by the city?
- c. Jenn- The financial report is part of the packet for the first meeting of the month and all debits (checks) are listed on page two of the Zions Bank report.
- d. **Sheldon motioned to accept the Treasurer Report, Clyde seconded. Motion passed unanimously**

6. Sheriff's Report

- a. Lieutenant Taubman- For June 2026, we had a total of **95 calls for service, 16 arrests, and 71 citations**. Some of the more significant incidents included an aggravated assault involving a juvenile who strangled a worker during an altercation and was booked into juvenile detention. We also made a traffic stop that resulted in drug-related charges and equipment violations. Another incident involved a resident who was charged with reckless burning after a gopher bomb started a fire that spread and damaged a fence. We also investigated the theft of an ATV from Valley Motorsports, where a juvenile was identified as the suspect. Several juveniles from the Bronzewood group home were arrested during the month for offenses including assault, criminal mischief, and vandalism. We have been making an extra effort to identify charges that will allow these juveniles to be transferred out of Tooele County when appropriate. I also wanted to let you know that the speed trailer has been placed on Bates Canyon Road, and we expect to have traffic data to share next week.
- b. Sheldon- If there are specific instances with the Bronzewood facility go to DOPL and file a complaint. That creates inspections and it can be done anonymously.

7. NTFD Report

- a. Buck- We had 10 runs this month. One was the gopher bomb incident. Chief Nunn has accepted the position of Chief of Justice Peak, Colorado, and will be leaving July 17. Chief Jason Brown will be the acting chief for us. We are hiring a part-time fire/EMS employee. We have taken delivery of a ladder truck. So you have the opportunity to update your city code.

8. Consideration of Echo Plat 5 Park Plan Approval

- a. Rachelle- We have a building permit for a pavilion in the OP subdivision.
- b. Clyde- We don't have a parks and rec department who is maintaining this?
- c. Rachelle- OP HOA will be maintaining the park.
- d. Clyde- Is this a private or public park?
- e. Rachelle- This is a public park for the development, but it will be maintained by the developer until the city requests the property to be deeded to the city for ownership and maintenance, if ever.
- f. Clyde- How big is the pavilion?
- g. Rachelle- It's a 1.5 acre park with a common area, gathering areas and play area.
- h. Sheldon- This part about parks was part of the renegotiation process and amendments. We did our best to renegotiate to get these things for the betterment of the city.
- i. Clyde- What are they doing about the dust?
- j. Rachelle- We can request that the inspector address that.
- k. **Sheldon- Moved to approve the Oquirrh Point Park Plan, Scott seconded the motion**
- l. Kyle- I haven't had the opportunity to read and go over the whole document, and I don't want to vote on something that I haven't read about.
- m. **ROLL CALL VOTE: Scott-Yes, Kyle-No (I don't know what I'm voting for), Clyde-Yes, Sheldon-Yes, Larry- Abstain**
- n. **Echo Plat 5 Park Plan APPROVED. Motion passed, 3-1, with one abstention.**

9. Council Representative Reports

- a. Scott- Erda Way road was completed quickly and it is much nicer.
- b. Kyle- We are looking into getting a sign done on Engine Breaks that the citizen requested.
- c. Jenn- I reached out to Tooele County Roads Department, Jed Bell. He informed us that we need to have a warrant study to prove that there is a noise disturbance and then we can have a No Engine Brakes sign posted.
- d. Clyde- We brought up most of what I needed to talk about. Since Scott is here we can ask him about who he spoke to that moved away from the bronzewood home.
- e. Scott- We did a study and we did adopt a business license surcharge.
- f. Clyde- When did Skywalk come back to life?
- g. Rachelle- In February they started getting us documents.
- h. Sheldon- I went to a different city council meeting and they mentioned a Fire District Impact Fee, Buck what is that?
- i. Buck- It's a fee that is charged at the time of building a new structure. Along those lines we are redoing our fee schedule. We have put a pause on business inspections and licenses for illegal burns and fires. A myriad of other items we should be collecting fees for. We will be holding hearings in August to address the citizens' concerns.
- j. Sheldon- Another thing that came up at a different city council meeting was to consider auditing businesses within the city to ensure we are receiving the correct sales tax revenue from the state. I don't believe we currently have a process for doing that, but it may be something worth considering.
- k. Rachelle- Where we need to start is to get a list from the state of all the registered businesses within Erda City Limits because not all businesses apply for a business license.
- l. Sheldon- We are still waiting to finalize our Franchise Agreement with Enbridge. I believe their proposed agreement has been sent to John. I will follow up with John.
- m. Sheldon- discussed the possibility of adopting a water-wise landscaping requirement for new developments. In addition to conserving water, it would allow existing residents to qualify for state incentives when they convert their landscaping to water-wise designs. If this is something we want to pursue then we should all read up on this and agree to making a decision during our next meeting.
- n. Sheldon- I was able to tour the Idaho National Laboratory. Some cool stats are people that work there make over 130k on average. There is a wide variety of contractors and subcontractors. People with doctorate degrees, bachelor's degrees, and those in the trades and skilled workers. The exposure to radiation is very low for all of the employees.

10. Adjournment

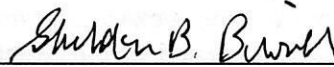
- a. **Sheldon moved to adjourn the meeting, Clyde seconded**
- b. **Voting was unanimous to adjourn the meeting**
- c. **Meeting adjourned**

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 19th day of August, 2026.

ERDA



Sheldon B. Birch, Council Chair

ATTEST:


Jennifer Poole, City Recorder