Regular Town Council Meeting

Minutes

Wednesday, August 12, 2026 at 7:00 pm

Meeting Location: Dutch John Community Center 530 South Blvd.

Public Access

Meeting access is available electronically. See https://dutchjohn.gov/pages/calendar for more details.

1. **Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance**

   Minutes:
   - Meeting was called to order at 7pm

2. **Roll Call**

   Minutes:
   Council: Butch Johns, Harriet Dickerson, Sandy Kunkel, Rachel Albritton, Amy McDonald (absent, excused) Public: Amanda Lucas, Brian Myer (sunrise)

3. **Consent Agenda**

   Minutes:
   Motion Harriet motioned to accept the consent agenda. Sandy second. All in favor.

   a. **Minutes of meeting: July 22, 2026**

      Minutes:
      - Minutes approved

   b. **Expenditures: Voucher List**

      Minutes:
      - The voucher list was postponed since Amy (Treasurer) was absent.

   c. **Correspondence:**

      Minutes:
      - Butch provided an update on ambulance funding, noting that the vehicle is currently in Salt Lake City. A funding status update expected next

week.

4. **Committee / Staff Reports**
   a. **Mayor's Report**

   Minutes:
   - Airport/RDA: The draft ILA for the airport was presented to the County Commission. A closed-door meeting was held, and the item is on the agenda for next Tuesday. A review of the draft ILA is scheduled for the Town Council work session in two weeks.
   - Water/Sewer: A draft ILA for the water and sewer plant takeover is also being prepared for the Council's review.
   - EMS: Coordination is ongoing with legal counsel, University of Utah AirMed, and EMS regarding helicopter service and paramedic staffing. Fire extinguisher maintenance at the fire station is scheduled for Friday.
   - Forest Service: Butch requested a fire hydrant installation near the Red Canyon Lodge to support fire response.

   b. **Volunteer Fire Department**

   Minutes:
   - Butch reported two incidents: an ATV fire near the dam and a lightning strike fire, both of which were addressed.

   c. **Planning and Zoning**
   d. **Building and Grounds**

   Minutes:
   - Plans are in place to remove a fence on the South Boulevard property, with assistance from an outside group.

   e. **Cemetery**

   Minutes:
   - Issues regarding lack of water pressure were noted; the matter remains an open item for Trevor to investigate.

   f. **Freedom Festival: July 4, 2026**
   g. **America 250 Utah Celebration**

   Minutes:
   - Discussed potential scheduling for the America 250 event, suggesting a chili cook-off combined with fireworks. The Council also explored the idea of organizing a "mini-triathlon" (swim, bike, run) in town.

5. **Public Comment**

Minutes:
- The Rodeo Committee was recognized for their show of appreciation for the Towns support donation sponsorship for this year.

- A resident noted that a fence on North Boulevard was damaged by weather and needs repair.
- An update was provided on the water treatment plant, noting that the project is nearing completion (within three weeks) and the system has been delivering clean water.

6. **Old Business**
   a. **Fire Station Remodel Updates - Discussion Only**

   Minutes:
   - Brian Meyer presented on behalf of Sunrise Engineering. The project is approximately 80% complete regarding specifications and contract documents. The Mayor and Sunrise Engineering are finalizing "cut sheets" (item specifications). A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be required for contractors. Bids are expected to be due by mid-September.

   b. **WRF Guides Beer License Application - Discussion and Possible Action**

   Minutes:
   - Amanda Lucas, on behalf of Canyon Wren Cafe, was requesting approvals for a beer license for the cafe (no direct alcohol sales).
   - Amanda also requested a corrected business license to facilitate mapping/address verification.

   Motion
   - Harriet motioned to approval the license request. Rachel second. All in favor.
   - Butch signed the application.

7. **New Business**
   a. **Designate a Member for the ULCT LPC - Discussion and Possible Action**

   Minutes:
   - The Council discussed the request to appoint a member to the Utah League of Cities and Towns Legislative Policy Committee. No action was taken at this time.

   b. **Conference Hall Remodel Payment from LBA - Discussion and Possible Action**

   Minutes:
   - The Council discussed the necessity of establishing a separate checking account for the LBA to handle construction invoices and ensure clean financial separation between the Town and the LBA.

8. **Closed Session, if necessary* Pursuant to 52-4-20**
9. **Adjournment**

Minutes:
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm

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Deputy Clerk