



Beaver City Council Meeting Minutes

June 23, 2026 – 5:00 PM

Beaver City Council Chambers

30 West 300 North, Beaver, Ut 84713

Elected Officials Present: Mayor Matt Robinson; Council Members Hunter Holt; Lance Cox; Tyler Schena; David Albrecht;

Council Excused: Randy Hunter; Lance Cox excused at 6:30

City Staff Present: City Manager Monte Hawkins; City Attorney Justin Wayment; City Recorder Meranda Martin; Executive assistant Taylor Gillins; Treasure Patty Simard; Utility Clerks Paula Fails and Venadee Limb; Pool Manager Jordan Collings

Others Present: Jackie and Mark Whittlesey; Matt Sterzer; Les Williams; Paula Spencer; Jaeley Smith; Blayklee Limb; Jazlyn McMullin; Gracy Hutchings; Drake Blackner;

Mayor Matt Robinson offered the opening prayer, pledge and thought.

*Motion to approve ___ was made by Council Member ___, Second by Council Member ___. All voted in favor. None Opposed.

* Motion to move to enter public hearing to discuss ___ was made by Council Member ___, Second by Council Member ___. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Conflict of Interest Statement:

No other conflicts of interest were voiced at this time.

Public Comment:

No public comment was received.

PUBLIC

Beaver High School Cheer Team:

The Seniors on the High School Cheer Team presented a sponsorship request to the Council for their up-and-coming cheer season. Those present were Gracee Hutchings (cheer captain) Jazlyn McMullin, Drake Blackner, Blayklee Limb, Jaeley Smith. They described how sponsor funds support competition fees, safety equipment such as mats and tape, camp attendance, and practice gear. They noted that sponsor names appear on banners displayed at the football field and gymnasium, as well as worn by the youth.

Mayor Robinson expressed his appreciation for the cheer team's "year-round" involvement. City Council Member Albrecht stated that the Cheer team volunteers for many events outside of high school activities.

Motion to approve an \$800 sponsorship contribution was made by Council Member Schena, Second by Council Member Albrecht. All voted in favor. None Opposed.

UAMPS Update -Les Williams:

UAMPS representative Les Williams provided a quarterly update. He said Beaver City has entered the extended day ahead Market(EDAM) program and he cautioned the council to expect significant and potentially surprising UAMPS billing beginning with the May bill, while clarifying that incoming power revenues off set that cost. Mr. Williams informed the council that Hunter Coal Plant is up and running at full capacity, although coal costs have risen substantially due to some mine closer.

Mr. Williams also encouraged council members to attend the UAMPS conference in August. Mr. Williams mentioned that he has in his possession an old Beaver City Lions Club flag and sought guidance at its disposition. Following brief discussion, it was agreed that the flag would be donated to the Daughters of Utah Pioneers Old Court House Museum for cataloguing with other historical artifacts.

Daughters of Utah Pioneers Old Court House Museum Update -Paula Spencer:

Paula Spencer with the Daughters of Utah Pioneers presented to the city council the museum's annual update and funding request.

Over the past year the old courthouse museum has hosted two weddings, four bridal photo shoots, multiple family and high school photo shoots, and received visits from the Utah Division of Tourism, Congressman Burgess Owens and his staff, and two international DUP staff members. The Beaver County commissioners also held their annual meeting in the courtroom. Last year's visitors totaled 1,249, with this year's visitors already at 354 just three weeks into the year.

Mrs. Spencer reported that donated funds from the prior year were used to pay docents, who serve as tour guides, cleaners, and security staff while they are open. A significant portion of funds went toward purchasing a chest freezer for artifact preservation.

Mrs. Spencer shares that as an increased interest in the USS Utah Flag the museum is now exploring enhanced security measures including additional cameras, door alarms, and physical barriers to protect the flag and other artifacts.

Mrs. Spencer also requested that the city consider striping parking spaces on the 100-east side of the building, noting that no striping has ever been installed there and that large vehicles frequently block access.

Motion to approve \$4,000 donation to the Daughters of Utah Pioneers Old Court House Museum was made by Council Member Lance Cox, Second by Council Member Hunter Holt. All voted in favor. None Opposed.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Beaver City Council will receive public comments regarding amending of the 2025-2026 fiscal year Beaver City Operating Budgets. 5:15 PM:

Motion to move to enter public hearing to discuss the amending of the 2025-2026 fiscal year Beaver City Operation Budget was made by Council Member David Albrecht, Second by Council Member Lance Cox. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

City Manager Hawkins explained that as the city nears the June 30th fiscal year-end, staff are reconciling the revised budget against actuals due to some of the invoices arriving after June 30th. Manager Hawkins noted that a no-spend policy has been implemented to limit discretionary expenditures through year-end.

No public comment was received

Moved out of public hearing at 5:38 PM

CONSENT AGENDA

City Council Minutes Approved:

Minutes of the previous **regular council meeting** were presented. Council Member Lance Cox motioned, and Council Member Tyler Schena seconded to approve the minutes from **June 16, 2026**. All voted in favor. None opposed.

Bills Approval:

Bills were presented and reviewed by the City Council Member Hunter Holt. He noted a significant check to Precision Contactor. Council Member Hunter Holt motioned, and Council Member David Albrecht seconded to approve the proposed bills for **June 16 to June 22, 2026**, as presented. All voted in favor. None opposed.

ACTION AGENDA

To Amend FY 26 Budget:

Motion to approve the FY 2026 budget amending was made by Council Member Tyler Schena, Second by Council Member Hunter Holt. All voted in favor. None Opposed.

Manager Hawkins noted that once the amendments are finalized, he will provide the Council with a comprehensive FY26 budget summary.

Convene Beaver Municipal Authority Meeting:

Motion to move to convene Beaver Municipal Authority Board was made by Council Member Tyler Schena, Second by Council Member Lance Cox. The motion passed unanimously.

The Beaver Municipal Building Authority Board was convened at 5:43 PM on Tuesday, June 23, 2026.

Board member present Matt Robinson; Hunter Holt; Lance Cox; Tyler Schena; David Albrecht; The Board considered the proposed FY2027 Beaver Municipal Building Authority budget in the amount of \$853,324.

Motion to approve FY27 Beaver Municipal Authority Budget was made by Council Member Lance Cox, Second by Council Member Hunter Holt. All voted in favor. None Opposed.

Motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Tyler Schena, Second by Council Member David Albrecht. The motion carried unanimously.

The Council reconvened as the Beaver City Council at 5:44 PM

WORK AGENDA

Beaver City Pool Discussion:

City Manager Hawkins introduced a discussion on the future of the Beaver City Pool, noting that the imminent opening of the new Beaver Valley Wellness Center on July 1st is already having a tangible impact on pool staffing. Pool Manager Jordan Collins was present to provide her perspective.

Jordan summarized the key challenges: of the current lifeguard, five guards are planning to split their time between the city pool and the wellness center, one adult staff member is departing permanently, and several others hold secondary employment. This leaves the pool significantly understaffed, particularly during the school year. She described a tentative plan to reduce operating days, potentially eliminating days—the least attended days and those hardest to staff due to student activities. Jordan reported that a job posting had been open for under a week and yielded two tentatively interested candidates, though neither had yet submitted a formal application.

Recorder Meranda Martin noted that when she managed the pool at its best, the pool had 14 lifeguards on staff during a strong summer; the current situation represents a significant departure from that.

Council Member Albrecht inquired about attendance data. Jordan indicated she has sign-in sheets dating back to January. Summer attendance typically runs about 40 per day, while winter significantly slows down. Pool rentals occur approximately four or more times per month, with February being particularly active.

Council Member Schena suggested waiting to observe the pool's attendance numbers once the wellness center opens to make a more informed decision before the pool's typical seasonal closure in late November. She expressed interest in using the fall data as a barometer for future direction.

Mayor Robinson offered his personal assessment that keeping the pool operational on any ongoing basis would require significant capital investment—not merely routine repairs—and that the facility currently does not appear on the city's Capital Improvement Project list. He stated candidly that he would have difficulty prioritizing pool capital investment over other items on the CIP list, particularly given the availability of the new wellness center. He suggested that if capital dollars were ever directed to that site, a splash pad would represent a better long-term investment for the community than continued pool operations.

Manager Hawkins proposed that the council allow the job posting to close, assess applicant interest at that point, and then meet with Jordan to formulate an operational plan—whether that means continuing with modified hours or beginning to phase out certain services.

We went into remission to attend the Cottonwood Fire Briefing at 5:59 PM and returned into session at 7:07 PM.

July 4th Festivities:

The Council briefly discussed the 4th of July celebration. Banners for Mainstreet have been ordered and are in transit. Lucia, who provided face painting and temporary tattoos in the past,

had expressed interest in returning. The council agreed to compensate her for \$100 in addition to reimbursing supplies costs.

Discussion then shifted to the ongoing Cottonwood Fire and its implications for the 4th of July fireworks. The Council reviewed the governor's public request that municipalities restrict personal-use fireworks given statewide fire conditions. While acknowledging the governor's statement was a recommendation rather than an executive order, the Council discussed the practical reality facing Beaver City all previously designated personal-use fireworks areas are now occupied by firefighting resources.

City Recorder Meranda presented a draft resolution (R-6-23-2026) that would elevate the city's fire restrictions from Stage 2 to Stage 3. The Council reviewed the resolution and discussed several points: the need to amend the language regarding personal fireworks sales to focus solely on personal use; the removal of a section that would have inadvertently prohibited the city's own professional fireworks display; and inclusion of a map of municipal boundaries. Attorney Justin confirmed the resolution could be adopted and subsequently amended or rescinded if conditions change.

Resolution R6232026 motion to approve following Justin Wayment Review by Tyler Schena Second Hunter Holt. Roll Call Vote

The council further discussed logistics for the city's festivities, as the four-plex area is occupied by cottonwood fire operations. The ballfield complex adjacent to the swimming pool was discussed as a potential alternative site, with the show potentially launched from one of the athletic fields. No final site determination was made during the meeting, with further coordination to be handled outside the meeting.

Reports, Updates, Old Business Follow Up: Elected Officials and Staff:

No reports currently.

Closed Session:

Council Member Tyler Schena motioned, and Council Member David Albrecht seconded to move into closed session to discuss pending or imminent litigation. Council Members Schena, Spencer, and Hunter voted yea by roll call vote. Motion passed with a unanimous vote. The Council moved into closed session at 8:01PM and moved out at 8:23 PM.

Present in the above closed session: Mayor Matt Robinson, Council Members Hunter Holt, Tyler Schena, David Albrecht, and City Manager Monte Hawkins, City Recorder Meranda Martin, and City Attorney Justin Wayment.

Council Member David Albrecht motioned, and Council Member Hunter Holt seconded to move into closed session to the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual Council Members Schena, Spencer, and Hunter voted yea by roll call vote. Motion passed with a unanimous vote. The Council moved into closed session at 8:24 p.m. and moved out at 8:34 p.m.

Present in the above closed session: Mayor Matt Robinson, Council Members Hunter Holt, Tyler Schena, David Albrecht, and City Manager Monte Hawkins, City Recorder Meranda Martin, and City Attorney Justin Wayment.

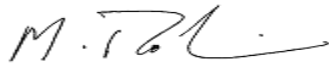
Action:

No actions resulting from the closed session discussions.

Adjournment:

Council Member Tyler Schena motioned, and Council Member Hunter Holt seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. None opposed.

The Council Meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m. The next scheduled regular Council meeting will be held July 14, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.



APPROVED:

MATTHEW ROBINSON

MAYOR



ATTEST:

MERANDA MARTIN

CITY RECORDER