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Present:	Mayor:	Erick Simmonds
	Councilmember:	Kyle Kingston
		Stacey Wangsgard
		John Nelson
		Donny Merrill
	Recorder:	Katie Downs

Guests: Tawni Fanning, Sheri Newton, Kacee John, Tom Griffin
MAYOR SIMMONDS CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Mayor Simmonds asked for a motion to approve the agenda. COUNCILMEMBER KINGSTON MOVED TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 11TH, 2026, MEETING AGENDA, WITH COUNCILMEMBER WANGSARD SECONDING THE MOTION AND ALL COUNCILMEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTING AYE.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Simmonds asked for a motion to approve the July 7th, 2026, meeting minutes. COUNCILMEMBER MERRILL MOVED TO TABLE THE JULY 7TH, 2026, MEETING MINUTES WITH COUNCILMEMBER KINGSTON SECONDING THE MOTION AND ALL COUNCILMEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTING AYE.

Mayor Simmonds asked for a motion to approve the July 21st, meeting minutes. COUNCILMEMBER MERRILL MOVED TO APPROVE THE JULY 21ST, 2026, MEETING MINUTES WITH COUNCILMEMBER KINGSTON SECONDING THE MOTION AND ALL COUNCILMEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTING AYE.

Review and approval of August 2026 checks

Councilmember Merrill asked about check #7799 regarding Ed Cottles name, Mayor Simmonds acknowledged the concern and will change the name. Councilmember Merrill also asked that one of the checks come out of the general fund instead of the roads fund. COUNCILMEMBER KINGSTON MOVED TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 2026 CHECKS WITH THE CHANGES, COUNCILMEMBER MERRILL SECONDING THE MOTION AND ALL COUNCILMEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTING AYE.

Public Comment:

Sheri Newton proposed to have a handicap sign put on the town hall garage door for handicap accessible parking for the town hall. Tom Griffin spoke with Jeff Andrew about getting pipe to his house for irrigation and he has received an acceptable resolution from Craig and Donny Merrill. The Hardy's sold a water right with a house they sold, but the point of diversion ended 30 years ago. They want to get water back there and will meet with the board of directors and may ask Mayor Simmonds to cut the road to get a pipe sent over to his house.

Agenda items:

West Cache Building Public Feedback - Tom Griffin

Tom Griffin let the public know that West Cache has a grant that they need to use by the end of the year. Mr. Griffin mentioned that they are wanting to bury a pipe underground, get rid of the cement blocks in the park and level the current West Cache building, which is climate controlled for their telemetry. Councilmember Merrill mentioned that it was brought to town council in July for three different areas, which could be the volleyball pit, the property south of Roarks, or the

property south of the ball field. Sheri Newton mentioned that it could also be put on property outside of the town. Councilmember Wangsard stated she had heard the same feedback from other members of the town. Mrs. Newton stated that there has been no legal paperwork from West Cache, and voiced concerns about sharing meeting areas and selling West Cache $\frac{5}{8}$ of an acre from Trenton Town for a new building. Councilmember Nelson let the public know more about the verbal proposal that the building could be 30x30 or 30x40. Councilmember Nelson would like to see the cemetery and park on secondary water to improve the town if West Cache were to buy land from Trenton. Mr. Griffin mentioned that West Cache is not able to do that due to the hookup that was done many years ago, and they have shares towards the cemetery. Councilmember Merrill mentioned that Lynn Payne offered to use his turn out for the cemetery. Mr. Griffin shared the potential blueprint of the building, which would have a common meeting area and two office areas, one for West Cache and one for Trenton Town as well as two storage areas, one for each entity. The building would cost around \$160,000. Councilmember Merrill asked Mr. Griffin what the town would owe, Mr. Griffin mentioned that it could possibly be around \$3,000/ year for 30 years, then \$1 after the 30 years. Councilmember Nelson isn't keen on the idea of sharing the building between Trenton Town and West Cache. Councilmember Nelson would like to see a benefit to the citizens of Trenton if there were to be a new building built ie. water to citizens that don't currently have a hookup. Mr. Griffin let Councilmember Nelson know that West Cache has already discussed giving citizens hookups.. The council would like to meet with the town attorney to see what the town could do.

COUNCILMEMBER MERRILL MOTIONED TO APPROVE MEETING WITH TRENTON TOWN'S ATTORNEY.
COUNCILMEMBER KINGSTON SECONDED THE MOTION WITH ALL COUNCILMEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE
VOTING AYE.

Parks/Recreation/Cemetery update

Macall Smith is working on setting up a contract and could possibly set up a pre construction meeting with Parsons before breaking ground on the upcoming project. Councilmember Wangsgard mentioned that the town did not have a lot of numbers for dinner this year for the 24th of July celebration. Briefly discussed not doing dinner in the future or preselling tickets next year and mentioning it in the newsletter, and possibly preselling carnival tickets.

Roads Update

The whole second phase for the 800 S is starting to be worked on and a resident was asking if the oil was going up to her property. Councilmember Merrill talked with Shad a couple of days ago to get an estimate to finish the area on 1200 N to North center to the bridge. Councilmember Merrill wants to get new breakaway road signs if the town needs to get new signs.

Planning and Zoning Update

Councilmember Kingston updated the council that the Planning and Zoning Commission denied Tom Griffin on a zoning clearance, Mr. Griffin wants to talk to the variance committee regarding the denial.

Fire Update

No Updates

Water Update

Councilmember Nelson mentioned that IFA will pay for their installation for their water meter. July had ok levels for water. Councilmember Nelson let the council know that there was one day in July that had high numbers of about 347k gallons one day. It was mentioned that there are a couple of residents who still need their meters put in. Councilmember Nelson asked if there was a possibility to have an Energy Tax because of IFA.

Mayor Update

Mayor Simmonds had no updates.

Adjournment

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COUNCILMEMBER MERRILL MOVED TO ADJOURN THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED TOWN COUNCIL MEETING AT 9:12 P.M. WITH COUNCILMEMBER WANGSGARD SECONDING THE MOTION AND ALL COUNCILMEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE VOTING AYE.