






CITY OF ANDERSON

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Minutes of Anderson City Council Meeting

 **Location:** Anderson City Hall & Virtual (Zoom)

 **Date:** July 8th, 2025  **Time:** 7:00 PM

PUBLIC HEARING

- **Date of Introduction:** June 10, 2025
- **Date of Public Notice:** June 19, 2025

The City Council held public hearings on the following ordinances:

1. **Ordinance 25-03** – Amending various sections of the Municipal Code to update language, remove obsolete references, and clarify regulations.
2. **Ordinance 25-04** – Amending AMC §3.04.020 regarding withdrawal of funds.
3. **Ordinance 25-05** – Amending AMC §11.04.070 to reduce the advertising period for land sales from one year to 30 days (as recommended by the Land Committee).

CALL TO ORDER

Time: 7:05 PM

Presiding: Mayor Katie Griebe

ROLL CALL

Present:

- Mayor Katie Griebe
- Council Members: Jeff Taylor, Kay Hockin, Quenten Rathbone

Absent:

- Cassie Eads (Absence approved unanimously)
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APPROVALS

- **Agenda:**
Motion to approve as presented – Katie | Second – Kay | Vote: Unanimous
 - **Minutes** (June 10 Regular Meeting and June 18 Special Meeting):
Motion to approve – Katie | Second – Kay | Vote: Unanimous
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PUBLIC ACCESS

- No public comments
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REPORTS

Mayor's Report

- *See attached*

Community Reports

- **Anderson Community Library** (Katie Griebe)
 - Closed temporarily due to Forestry use
 - *Summer Reading Program – “Level Up”* has started
 - More updates available on Facebook
 - **Anderson School** (Kay Hockin)
 - School is out
 - AK Team has left, new Forestry crew has arrived
 - **Denali Borough Mayor's Report**
 - Not available
 - **Clear Space Force Station** (Katie Griebe)
 - Change of Command to Lt. Colonel David Kim
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COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Lands Committee** (Jeff Taylor, Charlie Rathbone)
 - Property tour conducted on Tract D
 - Request for clarification on land ownership by the highway and maintenance responsibility
- **Policy Committee** (Katie Griebe)
- LGS representatives Sonya Om Pevan and Maisie Thomas recommended not forming a Policy Committee.
- Reasons cited included:

- It would create unnecessary additional work.
- Concerns about compliance with the **Open Meetings Act** if multiple council members attend.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

- **AVFD** (Nathaniel Grimes)
 - Wildland Division performing well
 - Squad 42 still with Forestry
 - Unit 10-42 demobilized; John returns to City duties
 - Chad Parsons appointed Asst. Chief; attending Paramedics Academy
 - Quenten Rathbone joined AVFD
 - 4 EMS calls this month
 - Equipment in good condition; ready to serve
- **Health** (Kay & Katie)
 - Facility in use
 - New mattress purchased
- **Parks** (Katie)
 - Maintenance ongoing
 - Residents asked to notify Katie of any park concerns
- **Public Safety** (Cassie Eads)
 - Forestry operations going well
 - Invoices billed and paid
 - Land use agreements in place and being billed
 - Questions from the public directed to Cassie
- **Public Works** (Quenten Rathbone)
 - Volunteer fire truck drivers needed
 - Training available
- **Clerk / Finance** (Darcia Grace)
 - *See attached*
 - Financial reports submitted
 - Overtime discussion: Quenten recommends compensation, Kay emphasizes Mayor's approval is needed

BILLS TO BE PAID

- *Motion to approve payment of bills* – Katie | *Second* – Kay | *Vote*: Unanimous

OLD BUSINESS

- **Council Resignation** – Mike Chafin
 - Moved outside city limits; no longer eligible
 - *Motion to accept resignation* – Katie | *Second* – Kay | *Vote*: Unanimous
 - Interested parties should email the City Clerk
- **Ordinance 25-03**
 - Indefinitely postponed due to wording issues and recommendation from LGS
 - *Motion to postpone indefinitely* – Katie | *Second* – Kay | *Vote*: Unanimous

- **Ordinance 25-04**
 - Similar recommendation; indefinite postponement
 - *Motion to postpone indefinitely* – Katie | *Second* – Quenten | *Vote*: Unanimous
- **Ordinance 25-05**
 - *Amendment to add Severability Clause per AMC 1.04.150*
 - *Motion to amend* – Katie | *Second* – Kay | *Vote*: Unanimous
 - Clerk read full ordinance into record
 - *Motion to approve as amended* – Katie | *Second* – Quenten | *Vote*: Unanimous

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL UPDATE (Katie)

- Dunk tank (Clear/Eielson), bouncy house, auction, pancake breakfast, face painting, vendor booths, strawberry patch, and other family activities

NEW BUSINESS

- **Resolution 25-06 – Surplus Auction**
 - *Amendment to remove items #7, #8, and #11*
 - *Motion to amend* – Katie | *Second* – Kay | *Vote*: Unanimous
 - Clerk read amended resolution into the record
 - *Motion to approve as amended* – Katie | *Second* – Kay | *Vote*: Unanimous
- **Fire Chief Appointment – Nathaniel Grimes**
 - Nathaniel reviewed his duties and asked for volunteer support
 - *Motion to reappoint Nathaniel as Fire Chief* – Katie | *Second* – Quenten | *Vote*: Unanimous
- **Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA)**
 - Clerk (Darcia) presented pros/cons and compliance considerations
 - Council discussed possibly offering either PERS or HRA (not both)
 - Decision postponed pending Mayor’s discussion with John
 - Clerk recommended **Salutions.com** for HIPAA and IRS compliance
- **Resolution 25-07 – Annual Certified Financial Statement**
 - Postponed
 - Pending updates related to AMLJIA assistance and Square account reconciliation

PUBLIC ACCESS

- No comments

COUNCIL COMMENTS

- General thanks and appreciation for staff and volunteers
- Special recognition to Cassie for administrative work with Forestry
- Encouragement to attend the Strawberry Festival

ADJOURNMENT

- *Motion to adjourn* – Katie | *Vote*: Unanimous
- **Time**: 8:28 PM
- **Next Regular Meeting**: August 12, 2025 @ 7:00 PM

Submitted by Darcia Grace, City Clerk



Katie Griebe, Mayor



Darcia Grace, Clerk

