

May 20, 2025

REGULAR MEETING

The Regular meeting of the Loyalton City Council was called to order by Mayor Mertton on May 20, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. Loyalton City Auditorium

COUNCIL MEMBERS' PRESENT: J. Markum, J. Dines, S. McIlravy, J. Gerow, B. Mertton

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT

City Clerk- Kathy LeBlanc

GUESTS PRESENT

D. Gaynor, A & C. Fassbender, J. Buck, S. Heywood, J. Powers, L. Garza, J. Whitted, C. Spencer, D. Spencer, T. Easley, C. Johnson, L. Horner, N. Rogers, S. Snider

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by S. McIlravy, seconded by J. Markum to approve the agenda as presented. Motion unanimously carried

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Mertton announced that there has been a change of staff at WWTP.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. It was moved by J. Dines, seconded by J. Gerow to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of 4-15-2025. Motion unanimously carried.
2. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by S. McIlravy to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of 4-28-25. Motion unanimously carried.

STAFF REPORTS/WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Councilmember McIlravy gave a brief update on the change of scope for the Prop 68 project. She also reported that she is looking into the T.O.T. Taxes.
2. S. Snider gave an update for the project for the Loyalton Middle School parking and easements.

PRESENTATION OF THE 11TH ANNUAL RICHARD MEDER AWARD

Councilmember Markum presented the 11th Annual Richard Meder Award to Annie and Craig Fassbender and thanked them for all that they do with the community.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. J. Buck inquired about the roof repair for City Hall. Councilmember Dines stated he is working on this project.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

1. Chief S. Heywood gave a brief report on the Fire Department regarding funding and future purchases for the Fire Department.
2. Councilmember McIlravy would like to pay back the Fire Department after further discussion would like this item to be on the next agenda.
3. Councilmember McIlravy gave a report on a letter of intent for Fire Department upgrades to the doors. She stated the G. Price is working with the City and Fire Department. After a discussion it was moved by S. McIlravy, seconded by J. Markum to move forward with the letter of intent to apply for the grant.

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT/UPDATE

1. No Report given
2. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by S. McIlravy to approve the reconciled accounts. Motion unanimously carried.
3. It was moved by S. McIlravy, seconded by J. Gerow to approve the bill sheet for April 2025 not to exceed \$88, 741.71. Motion unanimously carried.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF APPROVAL OF FUNDS TRANSFERS.

1. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by S. McIlravy to approve fund transfer from General 1956 to Enterprise Loan MM not to exceed \$25,000. Motion unanimously carried.
2. After discussion it was moved by J. Markum, seconded by S. McIlravy to approve the fund transfer from General to Cal-Trust not to exceed \$100,000 for roof repairs. Motion unanimously carried.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORTS/PARK AND RECREATION

Councilmember Dines reported that he is meeting with someone for the roof repair. He also stated that the leak on Taylor has been fixed and that they will monitor the problem.

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Councilmember McIlravy reported on the speed survey to be done in Loyaltown. She stated that a Joint meeting with the Sierra County Board of Supervisors will be held on June 17, 2025.
2. Councilmember McIlravy thanked Sheriff Fisher for the removal of the car on First Street.
3. Councilmember McIlravy also stated that 6 Stop signs need replacement.
4. Councilmember McIlravy reported that the lights downtown will be getting fixed.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

1. After a brief discussion It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by S. McIlravy to reaffirm our State of Emergency Water Distribution System. Motion unanimously carried. (This item will be added to the next agenda)
2. Councilmember Markum reported on the progress with EPA; she is in contact with them and will keep the Council and Public informed.

3. It was moved by Markum, seconded by J. Gerow to approve adoption of Resolution 4-2025 adopting a list of projects for fiscal year 2025-2026 funded by SB-1: Road Repair and Accountability Act. Roll Call: J. Markum-Aye, J. Dines-Aye, J. Gerow-Aye, S. McIlravy-Abstained, Mayor Mertton-Aye. Motion carried.

4. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by S. McIlravy to approve adoption of Resolution 5-2025 Directing Repayment of Borrowed Funds from the City's Water and Sewer Funds to the General Account. Roll Call: J. Markum-Aye, J. Dines-Aye, J. Gerow-Aye, S. McIlravy-Aye, Mayor Mertton-Aye. Motion unanimously carried.

5. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by J. Gerow to approve adoption of Resolution 6-2025 Examination of Sales and Use Tax. Roll Call: J. Markum-Aye, J. Dines-Aye, J. Gerow-Aye, S. McIlravy-Aye, Mayor Mertton-Aye. Motion unanimously carried.

6. After a brief discussion it was moved by S. McIlravy, seconded by J. Markum to approve the Animal Control Contract. Motion unanimously carried.


7. Dick Spencer from Musica Sierra gave a report on the Old School House requesting the replacement of windows, fixing the front doors to include emergency panic bar, repair and install base boards as needed. It was moved by the consensus of the council to allow these items to be done.

INPUT FOR UPCOMING MEETING

1. Repayment to Fire Department

CLOSING REMARKS Meeting Adjourned

ATTEST:



Kathy LeBlanc, City Clerk

APPROVED:



Mayor Mertton