

City Council Meeting September 8, 2026

Present: Mayor John Williams and Councilmembers Corrie Hadaller, Wayne Dudley, Zane Longacre and Jack Rosander

Also Present: Chief Cory Hert, City Attorney Michelle Millhollin, Public Works Director Pat Zent and Deputy Clerk Krista Hazel

Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Councilmember Longacre offered the invocation. Deputy Clerk Hazel completed Roll Call.

Consent Agenda:

Councilmember Longacre moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Rosander seconded the motion. Discussion: None. Motion carried with all in favor.

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| • Minutes of 8/25/26 | Regular Meeting |
| • Claims #33084-33147 | \$309,583.93 |
| • Payroll Summary 8/28/26 | \$153,226.46 |

Department Reports:

Reports were presented by Chief Hert, Attorney Millhollin and Public Works Director Zent.

Mayor's Communications:

Mayor Williams shared that the Diversification Study is being completed. Becky (KLJ) has done a great job putting everything together into a very interesting read. It is really capturing all that we have in Colstrip.

Will be testifying on a Zoom meeting tomorrow with the legislation concerning the BNSF issues. Will be heading to Billings Thursday for the Coal Board meeting. Public Works Director Zent, Fire Chief Reda and Assistant Fire Chief Gardner will also be attending. The City of Colstrip has two (2) items being reviewed. The first item is a reimbursement request for the purchase of chlorine analyzers that the Coal Board approved at the June 2026 meeting. The other application is for the purchase of SCBA Equipment for the Fire Department. There will be a retirement celebration lunch for Noreen Landwehr this Friday at 11:30 at the BIC to recognize her valuable past service with the City of Colstrip.

Public Comment & Participation:

Jim Atchison, SEMDC- Mayor Williams welcomed 20 – 22 economic professionals from around the state to the BIC for their annual retreat. It was great to get this group over on this side of the state. Thank you to Public Works Director Zent and his crew for putting up the new sign at the BIC. It looks great! Step-by-step the building is being completed.

Public Hearing:

None

New Business:

Councilmember Hadaller moved to approve Resolution No. 2026-R17/Naming Rights.

Councilmember Longacre seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

Public Comment: None.

Motion carried with all in favor.

Councilmember Rosander moved to approve License/Lease Agreement at Business Innovation Center with Grid United.

Councilmember Longacre seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

Public Comment: None.

Motion carried with all in favor.

Councilmember Longacre moved to approve Pavement Improvements Task Order 46 Amendment No. 2/KLJ Engineering.

Councilmember Rosander seconded the motion.

Discussion: Ryan Welsh, KLJ Engineering, shared a breakdown letter and explanation of why this amendment is being requested. He also answered questions from City Council on the traffic control currently taking place on the pavement improvements.

Public Comment: None.

Motion carried with all in favor.

Councilmember Hadaller moved to approve Governance Support Package w/MSU Local Government Center.

Councilmember Longacre seconded the motion.

Discussion: None.

Public Comment: None.

Motion carried with all in favor.

Mayor Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Krista Hazel, Deputy Clerk