City of Glenns Ferry

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City Officials: Susan Case, Mayor | David Payne, City Council President
Steve Alderman, Councilman | Jordan Thomas, Councilman | Luke Guy, Councilman
Brenda Chafin-City Clerk

Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday July 14, 2026, at 7:00 PM

Staff Present: Becca Negrete, Jackie Shenk, Christy Acord
Others Present: Connie Wills, Carol Phillips, Joe Boyd, TJ Emlet, Regina Abney, Nathan Jones, Rhonda O'Hanley, Cindy Mitchell, Frank Case

Item 1. CALL TO ORDER (00:16) The Council meeting of the City of Glenns Ferry was called to order at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, July 14, 2026, by Mayor Susan Case.

Item 2. OPEN MEETING/ROLL CALL: (00:23)
Members Present: Mayor Susan Case, David Payne, Steve Alderman, Jordan Thomas, Luke Guy

Item 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: (00:38)

Item 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS: (1:02)

- Connie Wills expressed appreciation to the fire department for their Fourth of July contributions, including parade preparation and patriotic float.
- Regina Abney discussed concerns regarding personal attacks in public discourse and encouraged respectful dialogue.
- TJ Emlet raised concerns about public records access and statutory rights under Idaho Code 74-102, requesting improved staff training.
- Rhonda O'Hanley voiced support for Mayor Case, stating her comments were voluntary.

Item 5. MOTION TO: [**ACTION ITEM]** Any amendments to the agenda. (08:51)

- Mayor Case noted a correction to June 23 minutes regarding that irrigation and water budget line items were separated in a motion.

No amendments proposed.

Item 6. MOTION: **[ACTION ITEM]** Consent Agenda. (9:48)
The consent agenda includes items which require formal council action, but which are typically routine or not of great controversy. Council members can approve the items listed on the consent agenda as one item or, if finding a correction needs to be made, can pull that item for discussion.

A. City Council Regular Meeting Minutes for June 23, 2026.
B. City Council Special Meeting Minutes for June 30, 2026.
Motion by Councilman Guy; second by Councilman Alderman.
Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVED

DEPARTMENTAL/COMMITTEE:

DEPARTMENT/COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORT: Department head reports are normally requested by the Mayor; however, for this meeting, all reports were excused.

Item 7. (10:49)

- Chamber of Commerce – Traci Beckley
- Public Works- Mark Sage
- Fire Department – Derik Janousek
- Library – Evelyn Campbell
- Clerk – Brenda Chafin

ACTION ITEMS:

Item 8. DISCUSSION/MOTION: **[ACTION ITEM]** Heritage Pathway Kiosk Update. (11:03)

- Mayor updated Council that a meeting took place July 10th.

Item 9. DISCUSSION/MOTION: **[ACTION ITEM]** City Property Lease Update. (11:27)

- Review of multiple lease terms.
- White Cloud renewal to be scheduled.

Item 10. DISCUSSION/MOTION: **[ACTION ITEM]** Elmore County Joint Powers Agreement approval. (14:26)

- Review of agreement terms, unchanged except for adding that the Sheriff will hand-deliver the code enforcement final notice, with potential costs if the issue is not remediated.
- Councilman Thomas moved to accept the Joint Powers Agreement.
- Councilman Payne seconded the motion.
- Roll-call vote: unanimous approval; motion passed.

Item 11. DISCUSSION/MOTION: **[ACTION ITEM]** El-Wyhee Highlights ad discussion. (16:18)

- Council considered advertisement options and rates.
- Council determined advertising was not necessary.
- Motion made by Councilman Thomas; seconded by Councilman Guy.
- Vote: Motion passed; city will not advertise.

Item 12. DISCUSSION/MOTION: **[ACTION ITEM]** Rural; Economic Projects/Grants. Tentative date September 25 5pm to 7pm (18:59)

- Christy Acord presented plan for economic development workshop to prioritize city projects and review grant schedules.
- Discussion included proposed attendees such as USDA and Community Resource representatives.
- Council agreed workshop is necessary; date for September 22, 2026 tentatively accepted.
- Motion made by Councilman Guy; seconded by Councilman Payne; motion passed.

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Item 13. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS:

- Councilman Alderman addressed community engagement and public discourse.
- Councilman Thomas raised concerns about color guard confusion
- Councilman Payne raised concerns about parade safety and vehicle burnout incidents, long-term trailer residency within city limits and construction site fencing requirements discussed; building inspector rationale provided.

Item 14. ADJOURN: 7:32 PM (32:25)

Minutes written by: Rebecca Negrete Date: **07/15/2026**
Approved by the City Council: Date: **07/28/2026**

Susan Case – Mayor

Attest: _____
David Payne - City Council President

APPROVED