

Hayden Town Council Regular Meeting July 10, 2025

Call to Order/Roll Call

Mayor Pro Tem Gann called the regular meeting of the Hayden Town Council to order at 6:04 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Gann Offered a moment of Silence

Mayor Pro Tem Gann Led the Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Banks (arrived 7:45 p.m.), Mayor Pro Tem Gann, Councilmembers Haight, Carlson, Hicks, Hayden were present. Councilmembers Bell excused. Also present were, Mathew Mendisco, Town Manager (arrived at 6:50 p.m.) Assistant Town Manager/Community Development Director, Tegan Ebbert, Public Works Director, Bryan Richards (arrived 6:50), Rhonda Sweetser, Director Parks and Recreation, and Chief Scott Scurlock, Finance Director Andrea Salazar, and Town Clerk Barbara Binetti.

Councilmember Reports and Updates –

Study Session none

- Work session to review and discuss Consolidated Service Plan for Moonlit Meadows Metropolitan District Nos. 1-3

Matt Ruhland, Cockrel Ela Glesne Greher & Ruhland, P.C., Paul Wember, Wember Property Group, and Jonathan Heroux, Piper Sandler & Co. gave a presentation on Moonlit Meadows proposing three Metropolitan Districts which would correspond with the boundaries of the three phases of development. Matt Ruhland emphasized that this presentation is for the service plan only and not the property development. He explained how districts work and the necessity of such districts. He concluded that financing of the public improvements is imperative to the development of the Moonlit Meadows property and the proposed Moonlit Meadows Metropolitan Districts Nos. 1-3 is vital to such financing.

Councilmember Melinda Carlson ask for clarification if the districts are the phases. Matt Ruhland confirmed that is the case. Councilmember Danny Hayden asked if the Districts can set their own land use rules and Mr. Ruhland responded that no, the land use is set by the Town of Hayden.

Councilmember Hayden also asked if the 50-mil increase affected the whole town. Mr. Ruhland emphasized that the mills only affect the owners within the districts. Councilmember Haight asked the average price of homes. That is not a question that could be answered at this time in this meeting.

Councilmember Hayden asked why the necessity for the Districts and not just a subdivision. Mr. Ruhland re-emphasized that in Colorado there is no private financing for this type of project and that the creation of Districts allows for more affordable financing resulting in more affordable homes within the District. JJ Pike, on Zoom, said she did not see this presentation on the Agenda. Mathew responded that it was at the top of the Agenda during the work session. JJ asked if when there is another work session for this if the public could be better informed. Mathew said that this will be again at the next Town Council meeting and then it will be up for vote at the first meeting in August. She also asked if this information could be provided as pros and cons in layman's terms for the citizens. Mathew said that would happen at the next meeting.

Public Comment – noneProclamations and Presentations – noneConsent Agenda Items –

1. Consideration of minutes for the Regular Meeting of June 17, 2025
2. Consideration to Approval Ratified payments dated July 2, 2025 in the amount of \$197,526.84
3. Consideration to Approve payments dated July 3, 2025 in the amount of \$5,859,978.
4. Consideration to Accept Financials dated May 31, 2025
5. Consideration to appoint Nefertary Lopez to the Hayden Economic Development Commission.

Mayor Pro Tem Gann moved and Councilmember Hicks seconded. A roll call vote was held and the motion passed unanimously.

Items Removed from Consent Agenda There were noneOld Business –

1. Ordinance 739 – An Ordinance Amending Section 14.20.040 of the Hayden Municipal Code Concerning Animals In Town Parks
 - i. Public Hearing: Ordinance 739 - An Ordinance Amending Section 14.20.040 of the Hayden Municipal Code Concerning Animals In Town Parks

Public Hearing opened at 7:28 p.m. as there were no public comments, the Public Hearing closed at 7:29 p.m.

- ii. Review and Consideration to Approve 2nd Reading Ordinance 739 - An Ordinance Amending Section 14.20.040 of the Hayden Municipal Code Concerning Animals In Town Parks

Mayor Banks moved, seconded by Mayor Por Tem Gann to approve Ordinance 739. A roll call vote was held and the motion passed unanimously.

2. Ordinance 740 – An Ordinance Establishing a New Section 1.12.030 Of The Hayden Municipal Code Concerning The Collection Of Municipal Court Fine, Fees, Penalties, And Restitution Through A Collection Agency
 - i. Public Hearing: Ordinance 740 – An Ordinance Establishing a New Section 1.12.030 Of The Hayden Municipal Code Concerning The Collection Of Municipal Court Fine, Fees, Penalties, And Restitution Through A Collection Agency

Public Hearing opened at 7:29 p.m. as there were no public comments, the Public Hearing closed at 7:30 p.m.

- ii. Review and Consideration to Approve 2nd Reading Ordinance 740 – An Ordinance Establishing a New Section 1.12.030 Of The Hayden Municipal Code Concerning The Collection Of Municipal Court Fine, Fees, Penalties, And Restitution Through A Collection Agency

Mayor Banks moved, seconded by Councilmember Hicks to approve Ordinance 739. A roll call vote was held and the motion passed unanimously.

New Business –

1. Res 2025-04 A Resolution authorizing a membership with Colorado Retirement Association.

Mayor Banks moved and Councilmember Carlson Seconded. A roll call vote was held. Councilmember Bell voted nay, the rest of the votes were aye. and the motion passed.

2. Emergency Ordinance 741 - AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 12.12 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE TOWN OF HAYDEN, CONCERNING OFFENSES, BY REPEALING AND REENACTING SECTION 12.12, CONCERNING FIREWORKS AND ADDING RESTRICTIONS ON OPEN FIRES, TO ALIGN THE PROVISIONS OF THE TOWN'S STAGED OPEN FIRE AND FIREWORKS BANS WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE STAGED OPEN FIRE AND FIREWORKS BANS THAT MAY BE ESTABLISHED WITHIN UNINCORPORATED ROUTT COUNTY FROM TIME TO TIME; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND PROVIDING FOR THE IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE.

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Public Hearing opened at 7:40 p.m. as there were no public comments, the Public Hearing closed at 7:41 p.m.

ii. Review and Consideration to Approve Ordinance 741 – AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 12.12 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE TOWN OF HAYDEN, CONCERNING OFFENSES, BY REPEALING AND REENACTING SECTION 12.12, CONCERNING FIREWORKS AND ADDING RESTRICTIONS ON OPEN FIRES, TO ALIGN THE PROVISIONS OF THE TOWN'S STAGED OPEN FIRE AND FIREWORKS BANS WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE STAGED OPEN FIRE AND FIREWORKS BANS THAT MAY BE ESTABLISHED WITHIN UNINCORPORATED ROUTT COUNTY FROM TIME TO TIME; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND PROVIDING FOR THE IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE.

Mayor Banks moved and Councilmember Hicks Seconded. A roll call vote was held and the motion passed unanimously. Mayor Banks proclaimed that Ordinance 741 is effective as of 7:41 p.m. July 10, 2025.

Pulled Consent Items There were none

Staff and Councilmember Reports and Updates

Mathew Mendisco – Tegan had her baby so will be off until October. At Hayden Daze there will be a booth set up with the Hayden Resiliency Project Plan group that is helping the Town. We are working on a new format for Staff Reports which will be ready for the next meeting so Council will be receiving those with the packet. At the retreat Council decided that department heads did not need to attend the Council meetings unless they had something to present in person. Mathew will be forwarding the retreat summary to the Council. Mayor Banks asked if the Market had moved to 3rd Street. Mathew responded that would happen next week. Mayor Pro Tem Gann stated that he and Mayor Banks had that discussion at the last meeting. He asked the rest of the Council if anyone was opposed to the move. All were in favor of the new venue. Councilmember Haight stated that the SBT GRVL event was run well and she appreciated that, she also asked if SBT GRVL paid for the use of Dry Creek

Park. Mathew said they did. General discussion continued about the Steamboat Soccer Club event and other sport and athletic opportunities throughout our district. Eric Owen responded that there are only a certain number of athletes that can play sports so the school offerings can only be so many. Mayor Pro Tem Gann brought up Tim Frentress Sr.' visit to the Council meeting and his request for Town Council to take action and write a letter to the Secretary of the Interior, after discussion, it was decided that Mathew Mendisco will script a letter for the Council's approval. Mathew said that the Council would be seeing an AI program coming to the town called Town AI. He explained to the Council about the ADA mandate on PDF documents that we publish not only within our websites but also for any documents that we send to the Government.

Councilmember Haight followed up with the citizen's request for microphones and asked where we are with that. Mathew responded that it is being worked on to get the equipment and wiring in place. The Council received a public query on speeding on East Washington Street. Mayor Banks asked Chief Scurlock if there is a way to follow up on this kind of thing. Chief Scurlock discussed some options that can be done to try and help control these issues.

Councilmember Hayden asked about the rates for people who get water at the Bulk Water station. Mathew responded that there will be some revisions coming on the water code. Mayor Banks asked how the river intake compared to normal. Mathew responded that it is definitely lower than last year; 21% less than normal.

Councilmember Reports and Comments:

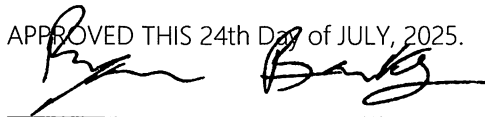
Councilmember Hayden asked Brad Parrott of the West Routt Fire Department his opinion of the Fire Ban. Mr. Parrott said he was totally in favor of the fire ban.

Executive session: none

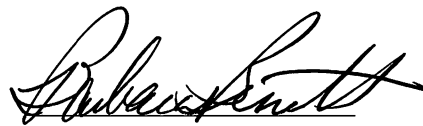
Adjournment: Mayor Banks adjourned the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

Recorded by:

APPROVED THIS 24th Day of JULY, 2025.



Ryan Banks, Mayor



Barbara Binetti, Town Clerk

