COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The Thermopolis Town Council met in regular session on August 4, 2026, at 7 pm at Town Hall. Present were Mayor Adam Estenson, Council members Tony Larson, John Dorman Sr., and Rachel Hughes. Also, present were Mayor/Codes Administrative Assistant Jim Jeunehomme, Clerk/Treasurer Connie Guntly, Town Attorney Marshall Keller, and Public Works Director Basil Sorensen.

AGENDA: Following the pledge of allegiance Dorman made a motion, seconded by Larson and carried to approve the agenda.

MINUTES: Dorman made a motion, seconded by Larson and carried to approve the Minutes from Special Meeting July 15, and Regular Meeting July 21, 2026.

BILLS: Larson made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to approve the bills.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Amanda Coxbill spoke to the Council about a letter she received for her yard.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: The following reports were available for review: police, engineering, streets and alleys, water, wastewater, sanitation and landfill.

POLICE: Officer Casey Fisher graduated from the police academy.

PUBLIC WORKS: Basil Sorensen reported on the Water and Sewer treatment plants.

ENGINEER: Anthony Barnett presented the Administrative Order of Consent from the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) for the Landfill closure. Dorman made a motion, seconded by Larson and carried to approve signature on the Order of Consent.

CODES ADMINISTRATION:

1. GOATS FOR WEED MITIGATION: Ken Smith and Jim Jeunehomme presented the use of goats for weed mitigation for privately owned properties in Town. The Council is ok with the use of goats for temporary weed mitigation and for Mr. Smith to provide the Police Dept. 2 weeks' notice of when/where he will be, if private property owners requested his services in town.
2. BOND SCHEDULE FOR NUISANCES: Jeunehomme presented example Community Service Officer Reports and went over the process for nuisance reporting. Jeunehomme requested the Council create a bond schedule and update the Ordinance. A work session will be held August 18th at 6:00 pm to review a Bond Schedule.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

1. GRID IRON CLUB – TOUCHDOWN FIREWORKS – Fire Chief Andreen spoke to the Council regarding their motion on the fireworks for home game touchdowns. Andreen requested the launch location be moved back to the bus turn around or as far east as the goal posts, as the location the Council previously requested is not flat with

a lot of vegetation. Andreen requested the Council leave the location decision to the fire department for safety reasons. Rachel made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to approve Chief Andreen's request.

2. EMPLOYEE SURVEY – Connie Guntly presented a draft employee survey for review after the last work session's discussion of Employee Retention. After further discussions, suggestions will be brought to a work session on August 18th.
3. OTHER – Mayor Estenson updated the Council about 14th Street. Hughes had a question regarding positive credit on utility accounts.

At 8:23pm Dorman made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Larson and carried. The next Council meeting is August 18, 2026 at 7pm.

BILLS: AFLAC, Insurance, $370.26; American Welding, Supplies, $161.87; Big Horn Water, Service, $42.62; Brown's Western Appliance, Refrigerator, $929.99; Carquest, Supplies $1,496.80; Casper College, WAMCAT Reg, $325.00; Chamber of Commerce, Membership, $5,000.00; Computer Projects of IL, Inc, License, $198.00; Core & Main, Supplies, $5,106.96; Counter Strike, Uniforms, $925.50; Crum Electric, Light Poles, $19,265.71; Dave Smith DMC, Vehicle Window Tint, $250.00; DetectaChem, Drug Tests, $240.89; Econo Sign, Street Signs, $1,693.09; Empower, Retirement, $320.00; Energy Labs, Service, $617.00; Engineering Assoc., Services, $40,843.40; Frandson Safety, Service, $50.00; Hach, Lab Supplies, $581.00; Hawkins, Chlorine Cylinder, $2,535.20; HSC Fire District, Semi-Annual Funding, $15,000; Hot Springs Health, Employment Exam, $131.00; HS Vet Clinic, Contract, $955; HSC Weed and Pest, Supplies, $1,586.92; HSCSD#1, Fuel, $4,444.50; HSC Treasurer, Tax Commission, $16,64; Imperial Pump, Meters and Install, $22,353.00; Insurance Trust, Premiums, $48,236.00; Jadeco, Service, $785.94; JH Computer, Services, $252.00; Joe Johnson Equip, Parts, $255.68; Justice ClearingHouse, Trainings, $709.02; Keller Law, Service, $4,400; Kleen Pipe, Services, $4,023.38; Laird Sanitation, Service, $100; Merchant McIntyre, Service, $5,000; Napa Motor Supply, Supplies, $110.00; Norco, CO2, $27,688.35; Normont, Supplies, $4,839.92; O'Reilly, Parts, $11.19; Peak Water, Services, $781.88; Phonetices, Annual Renewal, $299.40; Pitney Bowes, Quarterly Lease, $163.83; Postmaster, Postage, $523.71; R&A Safety, Drug Test, $115.50; Rocky Mt. Power, Service, $22,734.96; Southwestern, Hydraulic Cylinder, $1,618.49; Staples, Supplies, $252.74; Tegeler, Bond, $50.00; Thermopolis Hardware, Supplies, $396.76; Police Dept., Petty Cash, $32.60; T-Mobile, Phone, $473.72; TOT, Depreciation, Utilities, $70,469.13; USPS, Postage, $237.23; Unum, Insurance, $117.42; VSP, Insurance, $310.83; WAM, Annual Membership, $4,356.00; Williams Law Office, Service, $900; Wyoming Child Support, Child Support, $250.00; Workforce Services, Workers Comp, $5,101.69; WY Retirement, Retirement, $31,243.19; WY.Com, Service, $25; Youth Alternatives, Services, $500; Payroll, $109,785.32; Payroll Taxes, $36,395.13.

ATTEST:

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Connie Guntly, Clerk/Treasurer Adam R. Estenson, Mayor