

City of Preston
Regular City Council Meeting
September 22, 2025
Mayor Tyler Sieverding called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

ROLL CALL: Present: Matt Gerardy, Matt Petersen, Dylan Meyer, Adam Reuter
Absent: Leesa Budde

OTHERS PRESENT: Sheryl Ganzer, City Administrator/Clerk, Tracey Lee, Deputy Clerk, Marc Rudin, Jesse Kilburg, Joe Christiansen, Nancy Kieffer and Megan Driscoll.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made to approve the agenda with the addition by Meyer, seconded by Reuter. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA: Including minutes of last meeting and Building Permits – Allen Goodenow – Fence and Branden Michel – Addition and Sidewalk Program Payment – Avery Rowold - \$341.25. Motion to approve the consent agenda made by Reuter, seconded by Meyer. Motion carried.

STORMWATER DRAINAGE – WEST STREET: Marc Rudin with Origin Design addressed the council to share findings from a study that was done to see if an over land drainage to the Hwy 64 ditch would be an alternative option. It was determined due to the existing grades and slopes that it was not a feasible option. He reviewed the original plan options that were done in 2020 which were estimated at that time to be \$841,000 and \$766,000. Those costs would need to be updated to current costs. Rudin would like council to consider moving forward with having some plan documents and Design agreement in place to start the process of putting the project out to bid and looking into funding options for a USDA or SRF loan. The estimated engineering cost for the design portion is \$80,000. Mayor and Council would like to have further discussion to discuss the details at the next meeting.

SALE OF LOT 5 – WEST STREET: As a follow up to previous meetings, Jesse Kilburg and Joe Christiansen asked that a final decision on allowing the sale to Kilburg for non-residential use. There has been no interest show for purchase. Kilburg would like to purchase it to utilize the 30ft. easement located on the north side of the property as an access to his business and have the utilities run along that easement at his expense to his new shed and potentially additional buildings as his business continues to grow. Kilburg expressed his main concern currently with the depth of the sanitary sewer being too shallow and risk for it freezing. Kilburg expressed that he would be willing to sign off and only utilize the easement area and leave the remaining lot open for sale for the purpose of building a residential home. Marc Rudin expressed his willingness to help assess the sewer situation. Council would like to see the findings and table this for next meeting.

ELECTRONIC SIGN PROJECT – PRESTON GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT: Nancy Kieffer and Megan Driscoll representing PG&D is seeking for the city's commitment to lead and contribute funding towards this community project. PG&D will assist with funding from can redemption money and contribute current fund-raising events towards the project. Quotes were reviewed with an estimated costs being approximately \$32,750. This project would also potentially benefit all of the 100+ Preston's businesses, with consideration to be made to allow sponsorships in turn for advertising on the sign along with donations being accepted with recognition being made for the contributors. The council said they would continue to support this project. More details will be announced through mailings and Facebook and web site posts.

CONTRIBUTION IN AID OF CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT – ELLIS CONSTRUCTION: This agreement is for the extension of electric services to the property. Ellis has made payment for the up-front cost of \$10,746. The agreement states it would pay back 50% after completion and occupancy is attained and the other 50% if construction begins on a 2nd 12-unit building within 5 years with the option for that to be extended. A motion was made to approve the contribution in aid of construction agreement by M. Petersen, seconded by D. Meyer. Motion carried.

JCEA CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COMMITMENT: We are now in year 3 of our commitment of support to JCEA in the amount of \$13,500 with annual increase to \$15,000 by year 5. A motion to approve the 25/26 commitment was made by D. Meyer, seconded by M. Petersen. Motion carried.

MAIL STUFFER REQUEST – EV: As part of the facility planning committee, Meyer was asked to see if they decide to go with a mail stuffer, would they be able to put a strictly informational only flyer in our utility bills to help get the word out for the upcoming public meetings for the multi-purpose facility. Council would like to express that this is not a direct show of support either for or against, but only for help in spreading the word, which is the same as we allow with other community events.

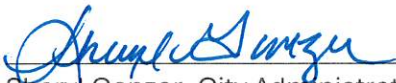
ROLL-OFF DUMPSTER UPDATE: Cost was received of \$450 for renting a 30-yard dumpster to be available for Preston only residents free of charge to assist in property clean-up efforts. The council would like it to be placed at the city shed for a period of 1 week due to there being cameras available to help ensure that no electronics, tires, batteries, appliances, paint and paint thinners and no yard waste. More details will follow when final plans are made.

With no other business to be discussed, Sieverding asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion to adjourn was made by Reuter, seconded by Meyer. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.



Tyler Sieverding, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sheryl Ganzer, City Administrator/Clerk