

# CITY OF GENESEE

Location: 140 E Walnut Street, Genesee, ID 83832

CITY COUNCIL

MARCH 3, 2026

REGULAR MEETING

## MINUTES

6:00 PM

GENESEE CITY HALL

140 E WALNUT STREET

**CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor John Hermann called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Present at the meeting were Mayor John Hermann; Council members Cody Bailey, Jesse Aherin, Bill Krick; and Jessica Mader present by phone; Public Works Director Dustin Brinkly and City Clerk Taylor Moody.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**VISITORS:** Hazel Simeon (Veterans Village), James Mader, Kayla Brown, and Jay Meyer (Genesee Rec District), And Sonya Bramwell.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:** (comments limited to 3 minutes)

### CONSENT AGENDA:

*The consent agenda includes items which require formal Council action, but which are typically routine or not of great controversy. Individual Council members may ask that any specific item be removed from the consent agenda in order that it can be discussed in greater detail. Explanatory information is included in the Council agenda packet regarding these items.*

Minutes of Meetings February 17, 2026

Approval of Bills Paid

Dustin informed council that testing was higher than normal this month due to 3 year VOC cycle testing that had to be completed. Taylor informed council that meeting minutes for February 17<sup>th</sup> will be available at the next council meeting. Motion made by Bill to accept the Bills Paid as presented seconded by Cody. Roll call vote: Bailey, Aherin, Krick, Mader all ayes. Motion carries.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Rec District Football Field Partnership (Action Item):** Genesee Rec District is present to discuss the current status of the football field and to explore a path forward that would allow the Rec District to begin improvements to the field. Community members and the Genesee School District have expressed concerns regarding the football field lights, which are currently not functioning. The Rec District stated that their primary priority is restoring the field lighting. The Rec District also noted that there has been previous discussion about the City either gifting the property to the Recreation District or entering into a long-term lease agreement; however, they have not received much recent communication regarding these options. Cody stated that he was under the impression the Rec District had been exploring grant opportunities and that a survey of the property would also be required before moving forward with any plans. Jesse asked whether there were any grants the Rec District would be unable to pursue if they did not own the property. Kayla Brown presented the possibility of establishing a joint powers agreement, though the council indicated that they are not interested in pursuing that option at this time. Cody suggested the option of gifting the land to the Rec District with conditions stating that if the Rec District were to dissolve in the future, ownership of the property would revert back to the City. The City has previously provided the Recreation District with a letter of intent regarding this possibility. Council also noted that the City is currently in the process of replacing its attorney and would need to further review and discuss these options once a new attorney has been retained. Kayla asked whether the City would be open to the Rec District beginning some improvement work that volunteers have offered to complete, provided they submit a list of proposed projects for the City's review. **Motion made by Jesse to with the record reflecting that acknowledgment of the previous letter of intent seconded by Bill. Roll call vote: Bailey, Aherin, Krick, Mader all ayes. Motion carries.**

**NEW BUSINESS: Veterans Village Presentation (Action Item):** Hazel Simeon presented information to the council regarding the nonprofit organization Veterans Village. The organization focuses on providing transitional housing for veterans in need. She explained that they are currently seeking donated land for a potential project site, as securing a location is necessary before the project can move forward. Hazel asked the council for any suggestions that may help in identifying potential land opportunities. Council noted that the City does not currently own a parcel large enough to meet the needs of the proposed project. It was suggested that she consider reaching out to private property owners in the surrounding area, as well as contacting the Genesee VFW, to explore possible options. Cody suggested that once a suitable parcel of land has been identified or acquired, she should reconnect with the City to discuss potential next steps. **Motion made by Bill to table seconded by Cody. Roll call vote: Bailey, Aherin, Krick, Mader all ayes. Motion carries.**

**Genesee Farmers Market Approval (Action Item):** Sonya Bramwell is present for the Genesee Creative Collective requesting the use of the City park for the summer farmers market. These will take place every Wednesday starting May 13<sup>th</sup> through September. **Motion made by Cody to approve the use of the city park seconded by Jesse. Roll call vote: Bailey, Aherin, Krick, Mader all ayes. Motion carries.**

**Rustic Life Business License (Action Item):** Motion made by Bill to approve the business license for Rustic Life seconded by Cody. Roll call vote: Bailey, Aherin, Krick, Mader all ayes. Motion carries.

**Civic Association Easter Egg Hunt Senior Center Rental Fee (Action Item):** Genesee Civic Association has requested the use of the Senior Center for the annual city wide Easter Egg Hunt and have the rental fee waived. **Motion made by Bill to waive the rental fee seconded by Cody. Roll call vote: Bailey, Aherin, Krick, Mader all ayes. Motion carries.**

## **INTRODUCTION, READINGS AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS**

### **CITY OFFICIAL, COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS**

**Mayor Update: None**

**Bill Krick – Water and Sewer Update:** Dustin informed council he is working on getting quotes for a sewer burst project on Jackson and Birch.

**Cody Bailey – Street Update: None**

**Jesse Aherin – Administrative Update: None**

**Jessica Mader – Parks Update:** Still waiting to hear back on grants. City guys are working on replacing the doors at the city park. Still looking into camper age restrictions for the RV park and how to accommodate the refurbished retro campers.

**Dustin Brinkly- Public Works Update: None**

**Taylor Moody-Clerk's Update: None**

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Motion made by Bill to enter executive session; seconded by Cody. **Roll call vote: Bailey, Aherin, Krick, Mader; ayes. Motion carries. Executive session entered at 6:55 p.m**

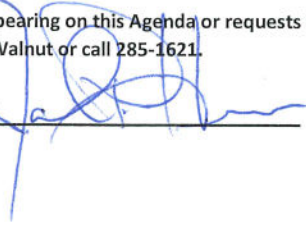
**Executive Session:** 74-206 (f) To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. The mere presence of legal counsel at an executive session does not satisfy this requirement.

Motion made by Bill; seconded by Cody to leave executive session. **Roll Call Vote: Bailey, Aherin, Krick, Mader; ayes. Motion carries. Executive session exited at 7:04 p.m**

**ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Bill, seconded by Cody to adjourn at 7:04 p.m. all ayes.**

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Mayor John Hermann



Clerk/Treasurer Taylor Moody



