

CITY OF MACKAY

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

July 14, 2026, 6:00 p.m. – 203 S Main, Mackay, ID

1. CALL TO ORDER (Idaho Code §50-707)

Mayor Richard Mangum called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. ROLL CALL (Idaho Code §50-707)

Present:

Dean Wall - Council Member

Karen Hames – Council Member

John Farish - Council Member

Fred Rodriguez - Council Member

Staff Present:

Cynthia Smith - City Clerk/Treasurer

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (Best practice – not statutory)

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT (Idaho Code §74-201)

Sheriff – Sheriff Maydole attended. There have been numerous searches and rescues. The Marine Deputy position is fully functional. There is a new applicant for the Mackay area so we will have two patrol officers. Sheriff's office is under remodel. Soft opening July 24, 2026. Several music festivals.

LRED – Bob Bagley – Not in attendance.

Visitors – Kayla Hutchins – requesting water for the kids rodeo. We are expecting approximately 150 kids for this rodeo and I am here asking for water for the 15th and 16th of August.

Karen McKelvey on the rodeo – commended the committee for the rodeo. Lennie reported that the rodeo brought in \$96,000 in revenue and had \$103,000 in expenses. The committee entered into an agreement with Big Bucks Rodeo, which agreed to reduce its invoice by the difference, allowing the event to break even. The committee acknowledged that it owes the city for bulk water, which the mayor would address. Approximately 1,200 tickets were sold over the weekend, including 750 presale tickets. The event went smoothly despite challenging weather. Thirty volunteers committed in advance, and additional volunteers helped throughout the weekend. The committee looks forward to holding the rodeo again in 2027. This fall, they would like to make improvements to the grounds. Lennie noted that Mackay, Idaho has a poor reputation because of the arena, which makes it difficult to attract bull riders and barrel racers. Premier Aggregates of Bellevue, Idaho, which specializes in arena sand, has offered to donate 200 tons of sand at no cost. The committee is also considering raising the arena walls by at least 6 inches after a horse jumped a gate. Richard Mangum stated that the rodeo used eight loads of water and that the council would decide whether to waive the fee. Motion by Karen Hames, seconded by Dean Wall to waive the fee for bulk water. Vote: Yes – Dean Wall, Karen Hames, John Farrish, Fred Rodriguez; Motion carried.

Jacqueline Hartley – July 9th Chardon and I went to Twin Falls to give a presentation to the Janice Seagrave Foundation for grant for the rodeo grounds. We have been awarded a \$100,000.00 grant

to put towards new bleachers. They gave me a name to another foundation in Washington to possibly get another grant. Richard Mangum is going to meet with Steve Trout on Friday to see if there are funds to fix the roof on the cook shack.

Cheary Haney – Comprehensive Plan was given to me. Coming to you today not only as a business owner but as a parent. Come to talk to you about the structure for Mackay. What I understood from the ordinance was that the fee was going to be reduced, one trailer per lot and a second one for shorter time. What will this do to our community if we turn it into a RV town? With more RV sites would they be permanent residents or just weekenders. There is a lot of zoning where the lots are too small for building? There is not a lot of funding for Mackay. The city is one of the few competitors for camping and we do not charge a lodging fee like everyone else pays. What kind of businesses are we trying to bring into Mackay? Where are all the people that worked at Proud Source? Have they all left? These are the concerns that I see. I have not had a chance to call the school to see where they are.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Idaho Code §50-707; §74-205)

Motion by Dean Wall, seconded by John Farish, to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2026 regular meeting as presented. Vote: Yes – Dean Wall, Karen Hames, John Farish, Fred Rodriguez; Motion carried.

6. APPROVAL OF BILL PAYMENTS

Motion by Dean Wall, seconded by Karen Hames to approve the bills to be paid. Vote: Yes – Dean Wall, Karen Hames, John Farrish, Fred Rodriguez; Motion carried.

7. NEW BUSINESS (Idaho Code §74-204)

Tourist Park Reservations Spreadsheet – Updated the council as to where we are with reservations so far this year.

Hayes Tax & Accounting Service – Copy of email provided to council that states that services provided in July 2026 which will be reflected on our August 2026 invoice will show an updated pricing for the recurring service clients. Currently the bill has been \$305.00 per month. Will update council with new rate once it comes in.

2026 Mackay Transportation Plan was provided to all council members. Invite him to the August meeting and decide if we want to adopt the plan.

Grant Writing Class – Richard Mangum presented to the council that Jacqueline Hartley (Deputy Clerk) would like to take a grant writing class. Class cost is \$3,500.00 of which she believes she will get a grant for. Her share of the cost would be \$750.00. Tabled until further information provided by Jacqueline.

Building Permit – 415 White Knob (Fence) – Motion by Karen Hames, seconded by Dean Wall to approve building permit. Vote: Yes – Dean Wall, Karen Hames, John Farrish, Fred Rodriguez; Motion carried.

Building Permit – 412 Rose (Fence/Patio) Motion by Karen Hames, seconded by Dean Wall to approve bldg. permit. Vote: Yes – Dean Wall, Karen Hames, John Farrish, Fred Rodriguez; Motion carried.

7. REPORTS

Councilman Dean Wall – Water leak on White Knob. Will try to get street patching back on the schedule.

Karen Hames – Thanked the Mayor for his time and efforts with the 4th of July and the Rodeo. Wanted to thank the public works guys for all their work with the parks as they looked really good.

John Farish – Commented on the O.W. Building parking lot and all the cars.

Fred Rodriguez – Handed a pamphlet from Dan Copeland out to all members of the council and the Mayor for review for a hangar that he would like to have at the airport.

Mayor Richard Mangum – Steve from Hamfit 24hr sent a check and was concerned because he took money out of his own personal account to pay the rent. We already kind of give him a break. Gliders will be pulling out and the Wings Over Mackay will be coming in August. Send out some dates for a work meeting for the budget.

11. ADJOURNMENT (Best practice – not statutory)

Motion by Dean Wall seconded by Karen Hames to adjourn. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

APPROVAL (Idaho Code §50-707)

Minutes approved as presented/amended on August 11, 2026.

Mayor: Richard Mangum

City Clerk: Cynthia Smith