

January 20, 2026

Gooding City Council Minutes

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Gooding, Idaho was called to order at 6:30 pm in the Gooding Municipal Building, 308 5th Ave West, Gooding, Idaho on January 20, 2026. Pledge of Allegiance was led by John Burg.

Roll Call

Present were Mayor Houser, Councilpersons Rogers, Pierce, Arkoosh, and Shepherd.

Visitors

Present were Tonya Burg, John Burg, Carolina Driever, Al Hagen, and Chad Hoeft.

Changes to Agenda (Idaho Code 74-204 Sec 4 (b))

None.

Consent Calendar

(Consent Calendar contains items which require formal Council action, but which are typically routine or not of great controversy. Council members can approve the items listed on the consent calendar as one item or, if a correction needs to be made, can pull that item for discussion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Council Member or a member of the audience requests removal of the items from the Consent Calendar.)

Mayor Houser asked, "Consent Calendar Items numbered are before you. Are there any items to be removed?" There being no objection, Councilwoman Rogers moved to approve the Consent Calendar.

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Motion seconded by Councilwoman Shepherd. Upon roll call, Councilpersons Pierce, Arkoosh, Rogers, and Shepherd voted aye. Motion carried.

Visitors Business

None.

Public Input

None.

Unfinished Business

Dan Armstrong; Sewer & Stormwater Agreement for 702 7th Ave W: Dan Armstrong was not present.

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Request to Include Vacation Leave Cash Out in the Personnel Policy: Councilwoman Shepherd made a motion to include Vacation Leave Cash Out in the City Personnel Policy. Motion seconded by Councilman Pierce. Motion carried.

New Business

Dennis Brown, Workman & Company; FY25 Audit Report: Dennis Brown was not present.

Tonya Burg & Carolina Driever; Request for Build Back Letter for Home at 622 1st Ave. East: Tonya Burg is the realtor for the home at 622 1st Ave. East. She is requesting a build back letter for the future owners. Councilman Arkoosh made a motion to authorize Attorney Misseldine to issue a build back letter for 622 1st Ave. East. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Rogers. Motion carried.

Appoint New Board Member to Planning & Zoning: City Clerk Haney stated that there are two individuals interested in volunteering to serve on the Planning & Zoning Board, Brylee Drury and Roman Garza. The Planning & Zoning Chairman's recommendation is Roman Garza. Councilwoman Shepherd made a motion to appoint Roman Garza to the Planning & Zoning Board. Motion seconded by Councilman Pierce. Motion carried.

Granting Authority for Airport Manager, or his Designee, Authority to Invoice Self-Fuelers at Airport: The Gooding Airport Commission requests that the City Council grant the Airport Manager, or his designee, the authority to invoice self-fuelers, other than permitted aerial applicators, the current fuel flowage fee on imported fuel that they dispense at the Airport. This proposal will implement equity across all Airport users who bring their own fuel onto the Airport. Councilman Arkoosh made a motion to approve the request to allow the Airport Manager, or his designee, to invoice self-fuelers the current fuel flowage fee on imported fuel that is dispensed at the Airport. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Rogers. Motion carried.

Keller Associates Invoice #0254356 for Simple Requested Engineering Services: Councilwoman Rogers made a motion to approve Keller Associates Invoice #0254356 in the amount of \$791.25. Motion seconded by Councilman Arkoosh. Motion carried.

Zions Bank Sign Permit Approval: After review of the plans, Councilman Arkoosh made a motion to approve the Zions Bank Sign Permit. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Rogers. Motion carried.

Chief Fisher; SRO Funding for ISDB: Chief Fisher stated that ISDB is planning on covering the entire cost for two years. He is currently hiring for a patrol officer and would also need to hire for the SRO position. No motion at this time.

Department Reports

City Council: Nothing at this time.

Police Chief Dave Fisher: Chief Fisher requested an executive session to discuss personnel issues.

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Public Works Director Larry Bybee: PWD Bybee requested permission from the Council to fill the roll on the Frontier Community Resources Board that is being vacated by Councilman Arkoosh. The Council agreed they would allow PWD Bybee to represent the City and serve on the Board. PWD Bybee also requested an executive session.

Attorney Trevor Misseldine: Nothing at this time.

City Clerk Hollye Haney: Nothing at this time.

Airport Manager Dale Thomas: Nothing at this time.

Executive Session: Councilwoman Shepherd moved to adjourn into executive session in accordance with Idaho Code 74-206 Section (1)(b) to discuss personnel matters at 6:45 pm. Motion seconded by Councilman Pierce. Upon roll call, Councilpersons Arkoosh, Rogers, Pierce, and Shepherd voted aye. Motion carried.

The meeting reconvened at 7:30 pm.

There being no further business, Councilwoman Shepherd made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Councilman Pierce. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

ATTEST:

Hollye Haney – City Clerk

Diane Houser - Mayor