

August 3, 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 August 3, 2026. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Deputy Clerk Hayden Peterson.

Roll Call

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

Visitors

Present were Susan Funk, Jeff Mansfield, Bryan Phinney, Jeff McCurdy, and Jake Robertson.

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 Shepherd moved to approve the Consent Calendar.

1. July 7, 2026 Meeting Minutes
2. July 16, 2026 Meeting Minutes
3. July 20, 2026 Meeting Minutes
4. Accounts Payable in the amount of \$936,590.69
5. July Payroll in the amount of \$278,085.55
6. July Building Permits

No.	Date	Name	House	Street	Use	Value	Fee
G-26-23	7/7/26	Desirae Williams	155	Main	Remodel	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 323.53
G-26-26	7/28/28	Carl Boyer	1030	Main	Roof	\$ 24,740.00	\$ 554.59
						\$ 34,740.00	\$ 878.12

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

Visitors Business

Susan Funk: Susan Funk stated that her Trailer Parking Permit is about to expire. She asked the Council for consideration to extend it an additional 30 days. Since this is not an action item, Susan Funk will be added to the next agenda for the Council to consider her extension request.

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Public Input

None.

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

Jake Robertson – Trailer Parking Permit for Derrell Osborn at 1301 Main Street: Jake Robertson stated his wife's uncle is staying in an RV at his home located at 1301 Main Street. The uncle has had major medical issues. Jake stated he is looking for a long-term solution for the uncle. Deputy Clerk Peterson explained that since the RV is connected to the City sewer system, Jake will be charged an additional EDU. Jake requested a 90-day Trailer Parking Permit. Councilman Arkoosh made a motion to approve a 90-day Trailer Parking Permit to Jake Robertson on behalf of Derrell Osborn at 1301 Main Street. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Rogers. Motion carried.

Keller Associates Invoice #256843 for PH II Wastewater System Improvements: Councilman Pierce made a motion to approve Keller Associates Invoice #256843 in the amount of \$55,781.31. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Rogers. Motion carried.

GSE Construction Change Order No. 1 for Collection System Lift Station Improvement Project: Councilman Arkoosh made a motion to approve the GSE Construction Change Order No. 1 increase in the amount of \$102,178. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Rogers. Motion carried.

Keller Associates; GCC Pay Application No. 8 for Collection System Improvement Project: Councilwoman Rogers made a motion to approve the GCC Pay Application No. 8 in the amount of \$736,944.75. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Shepherd. Motion carried.

Keller Associates; GSE Pay Application No. 10 for Lift Station Improvement Project: Councilman Arkoosh made a motion to approve the GSE Pay Application No. 10 in the amount of \$94,763. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Rogers. Motion carried.

Keller Associates Invoice #256841 for WWTP Operations Support: Councilman Arkoosh made a motion to approve Keller Associates Invoice #256841 in the amount of \$273.75. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Rogers. Motion carried.

Keller Associates Invoice #256842 for SCADA Support Services: Councilman Arkoosh made a motion to approve Keller Associates Invoice #256842 in the amount of \$112.50. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Rogers. Motion carried.

Keller Associates River Wall Contract: Jeff Mansfield, Keller Associates, stated the City currently has a General Service Agreement with Keller Associates. The City has asked Keller Associates to assist with the easements and utility relocations for the Little Wood River Project. Keller Associates

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has created Task Order No. 006 and presented it to the Council. They will be doing Phase 1, which includes easements and coordinating with the USACE. Once this phase is completed, they will create a new Task Order for Phase 2. Councilman Arkoosh made a motion to approve Task Order No. 006 between the City and Keller Associates for the USACE Little Wood River Project. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Shepherd. Motion carried.

Keller Associates; DEQ ARPA Deobligation Request: Keller Associates has reported that DEQ has ARPA funding that would not get spent on the Wastewater Collection System Project. DEQ requested that Keller Associates meet with the Council and contractors. The amount remaining for the project is \$5,309,167. After subtracting the \$3,027,406.08 for obligations, the available amount to defund is \$2,281,760.92. Councilman Arkoosh made a motion to send \$2,178,582.92 back to DEQ. Motion seconded by Councilman Pierce. Motion carried.

Keller Associates; Wastewater Collection System Project Change Order No. 6: Jeff Mansfield, Keller Associates, stated this change order will reduce the days back to where they were prior to Change Order No. 4; substantial completion will be done by August 31, 2026, and final completion will be done by September 30, 2026. This will also descope approximately \$2,000,000 worth of work from GCC. Councilman Arkoosh made a motion to give the Mayor authority to sign Change Order No. 6. Motion seconded by Councilman Pierce. Motion carried.

Frontier Community Resources Invoice #1756: Councilman Arkoosh made a motion to approve Frontier Community Resources Invoice #1756 in the amount of \$30,000. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Rogers. Motion carried.

Revised 2026 Storage Water Lease Agreement: Councilwoman Shepherd made a motion to approve the Revised 2026 Storage Water Lease Agreement. Motion seconded by Councilman Arkoosh. Motion carried.

Idaho Military Division Surplus Property/Gooding Readiness Center: PWD Bybee stated he and the Mayor met with the Gooding County Commissioners to discuss the City's interest in the facility. A letter of interest must be submitted by August 6, 2026. The property has been deemed surplus by the State. Since no other state agency has interest in the property, the next phase is to see if any taxing entity would be interested. Councilman Pierce made a motion to designate PWD Bybee to represent the City and to submit a letter of interest. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Shepherd. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 741; Ordinance to Repeal Ordinance No. 737 – Regulations for Public and Commercial Swimming Pools: Item is tabled at this time.

City Shop Roof Repair: PWD Bybee requested to table this item for now.

Early Closure for Parade: Councilman Arkoosh made a motion to close City Hall at noon on August 19th for the Gooding Fair and Rodeo parade. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Rogers. Motion carried.

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Department Reports

City Council: Nothing at this time.

Police Chief Dave Fisher: Chief Fisher reported that Neill Martin will be coming back as the Detective, and he is back to full staff. He is also preparing for an SRO at ISDB. Chief Fisher is working on the pricing for security cameras.

Public Works Director Larry Bybee: Nothing at this time.

Attorney Trevor Misseldine: Nothing at this time.

Deputy Clerk Hayden Peterson: Nothing at this time.

Airport Manager Dale Thomas: Airport Manager Dale Thomas reported an inspection was completed by the Department of Aeronautics, and during the weekend the AWOS went down.

Executive Session: Councilwoman Shepherd moved to adjourn into executive session in accordance with Idaho Code 74-206 Section (1)(f) to discuss legal matters at 7:23 pm. Motion seconded by Councilman Pierce. Upon roll call, Councilpersons Rogers, Shepherd, Pierce, and Arkoosh voted aye. Motion carried.

The meeting reconvened at 7:44 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 7:44 pm.

ATTEST:

Hollye Haney – City Clerk

Diane Houser – Mayor