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MEETING OF January 12, 2026

Mayor Webb called the meeting to order. Councilmembers Blumenshein, Bezdicek, Harrison, Howard, and Smick, Public Works Steven Engles, Community Member Mike Thomas, and the Town Clerk attended.

The December 8, 2025, meeting minutes were read and approved as read.

The payables were presented to the Council for review and discussion. Blumenshein moved, Smick seconded, and the motion carried by a vote of the Council.

CL# 16130-16149 & EFT's	\$ 12,952.83	13 Mo.
PR# 16150-16153 & EFT's	\$ 7,392.34	13 Mo.

Mike Thomas presented the council with information on the Annual Summer Dayz Car Show. This will remain the last Saturday in June. He asked the council for approval and a letter to close the road for the detour. The only concern was that he had some feedback that residents didn't know there was a detour and were upset when they came downtown. The idea of putting a road closure map in the May water bill was discussed. This would be in addition to the channel 8 and Facebook ads, along with the signs in downtown businesses that they already post. The council approved the road closure and the annual Car show.

A Billing adjustment policy was discussed. This was recommended by the Auditor during the 2021-2024 accountability audit. After the discussion, the council approved the policy with a motion from Smick and seconded by Howard.

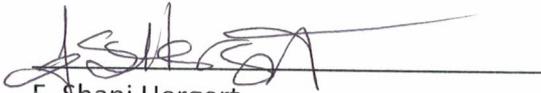
The extension agreement with Ecology was discussed to move the date from June of 2026 to June of 2027. This agreement was approved by a motion from Bezdicek and seconded by Howard.

The water leak at 7 E Nob Hill was discussed. The leak has a temporary fix and will need to be reassessed in the spring.

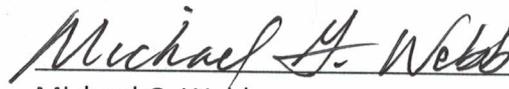
Discussion on what to do with the debris pile ensued. Some residents are using the pile for unintended purposes. Large trees have been deposited by homeowners and professionals alike. The purpose of the pile is for yard and garden waste only. Minor spring and fall pruning is allowed, but the falling of trees and large limbs, and anyone outside of town limits, is prohibited. A possible reminder letter will be sent out.

Annual cost-of-living increases were discussed. Options included percentage raises, days off, and higher retirement contributions. The council will review the material and follow up at the next meeting.

With no further comments requested, Mayor Webb moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved. The meeting was officially adjourned at 6:59 PM.



F. Shani Hergert
CLERK-TREASURER



Michael G. Webb
MAYOR