MINUTES FROM TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
May 12, 2026
AFTON TOWN HALL

Mayor Jensen welcomed those in attendance.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jeff Jensen called the Afton Town Council meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mrs. Abby Humes, Afton Resident, led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. AGENDA

Mayor Jensen presented the agenda for the Afton Town Council meeting scheduled for April 14, 2026. At the Mayor's call, Council Member Wilkes moved to approve the agenda. Council Member Griffith seconded the motion, which was carried out unanimously.

A. Adopt the May 12, 2026, Afton Town Council Agenda
    a. Motion to approve Agenda for May 12, 2026, Afton Town Council Meeting

4. CONSENT AGENDA

At the mayor's call, Council Member Wilkes moved to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Brown seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

A. Approve Minutes from the Regular Afton Town Council Meeting held April 14, 2026

Council Member Griffith inquired whether the April minutes had been updated to accurately reflect the vote on the motion to direct the town attorney to provide a counteroffer to Mr. Nick Erickson. The corrected vote was as follows:

- Aye (yes): Council Members Dirk Hillyard, Will Wilkes, Brock Brown, and Mayor Jensen.
- Nay (no): Council Member Scott Griffith.

B. Approve Town of Afton Bills for the Period ending April 30, 2026

Dry Creek Enterprises, Inc- Services $910.00
Valley Auto- Supplies $621.00
Local Government Liability Pool- Insurance $15,850.00
L.N. Curtis & Sons- Supplies $3,915.90
Energy Laboratories- Services $819.00
Hastings- Supplies $112.32
Mecco Electric- Services $645.00

Star Valley Media, LLC- Services $3,409.92
Harold Sweeny- Services $380.00
Printstar- Services $104.96
Wyoming Workers' Compensation- Services $230.42
Fisher Scientific- Supplies $60.79
Valley Sanitation Inc.- Services $790.00
Town of Afton- Services $22.00
NCPERS Group Life Insurance- Life Insurance 224.00
ODP Business Solutions, LLC- Supplies $1,188.84
High Country Linen- Services $518.53
Freedom Mailing Services- Services $511.37
C&V LLC- Services $965.00
Environmental Resource- Supplies $426.64
PItney Bowes Leasing- Services $195.12
Wilbur-Ellis Company- Supplies $1,207.17
R&R Products, Inc.- Supplies $530.85
Broulims- Supplies $9.18
Riverside Greenhouse & Graphic- Services $4,134.30
One-Call of Wyoming- Services $50.40
Dorsett Controls, Inc- Subscription $1,485.00
Desktop Design- Services $3,339.90
Bailey, Stock, Harmon, Cottam- Services $13,933.00
Wex Bank- Fuel $4,392.59
The Radar Shop- Services $455.00
Miles Beverage- Supplies $254.93
Mobile Golf Services- Parts & Labor $5,141.45
Simplot Turf & Horticulture- Supplies $3,755.00
Yost Pacific Office Automation- Services $82.23
U.S. Bank Equipment Financing- Services $151.33
Hireright, LLC- Services $201.10
Zion Bankcard Center- Supplies 19,741.81
Hags with Rags, LLC- Services $1,340.94
Jensen, Jeff- Reimbursement $103.23
Conrad & Bischoff- Supplies $784.95
Core & Main LP- Parts $11,126.04
AT&T Mobility- Cellular Services $182.86
Star Valley Lawn Care, Inc.- Services $248.85
Verizon Connect Fleet- Services $151.60
Burton Rental- Equipment $78.75
Bradley Race Management- Sponsorship $1,000.00
Grime Stoppers Housekeeping- Services 1,800.00
T-Mobile Use, Inc- Services $63.00
Heidi Martin- Services $116.00
Paige Alise, LLC- Services $1,300.00
Edward Murdock- Supplies $4,320.00
Epic Oldin- Services $5,328.73
Wyoming Department of Revenue- Taxes $6.30
Park, Landon- Services $50.00

Park, Lane- Services $50.00
Callaway Golf Sales Company- Supplies $3,344.40
Workplace Partner, LLC- Furniture $1,714.00
Parson Behle & Latimer- Legal Services $5,000.00
Lou Anne Daz- Supplies $5,155.00
Great-West Trust Company- Deferred Comp 1,035.00
Payroll $103,849.55

5. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Golf Course

Mr. Bryce Burton, Golf Director, reported to the Council that, due to a mild winter, the course opened earlier than usual and that the irrigation system was charged on March 19, 2026, initially using lake water for putting surfaces and tees. Summer help has been hired, and the course is in good shape heading into the summer. Mr. Burton also stated that a Request for Proposal (RFP) has been sent to a potential contractor in Montana.

B. Airport Board

Mr. Heath Lawson, the Airport Manager, provided an informative report to the Council detailing the airport's budget and financial status, current and upcoming projects, overall activity levels, noise abatement efforts, and strategic plans for the future.

C. Police Department

Chief Jason Romberg, Chief of Police for Afton, presented a comprehensive update to the Council concerning the current status of call volume, equipment purchase of a speed trailer, and vehicle disposal proposals. Additionally, Chief Romberg shared that Officer Booth is performing exceptionally well in the academy. He also noted his recent Facebook post regarding the enforcement of regulations governing e-bicycles and e-dirt bikes.

6. DELEGATIONS

Delegation decorum: There is a 5-minute Limit per delegation subject. The mayor must recognize the speaker, who must approach the podium. Only one speaker may speak at a time.

A. Abby Humes- Star Valley Festival of Trees

Mrs. Abby Humes spoke on behalf of the Star Valley Festival of Trees. She requested a waiver or a significant discount on the Civic Center's rental fees for their event on November 20-21, 2026.

7. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

A. Financial Statements for April 2026 (Attachment)

Mrs. Sanderson presented the April 2026 financial statements.

B. WAM Summer Convention

Mrs. Sanderson informed the Council of the upcoming Wyoming Association of Municipalities (WAM) summer convention, scheduled for June 3 to June 5, 2026, in Laramie. In light of this, Mayor Jensen has appointed Mrs. Sanderson and the designated delegate to cast votes on behalf of the municipality.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Proclamation No 2026-02 - Professional Municipal Clerks Week

Mayor Jensen officially proclaimed May 3-9, 2026, as the 56th Annual Professional Municipal Clerk Week. This proclamation extends heartfelt appreciation to Afton Town Clerk Tina McGarvey and all municipal clerks for their dedicated service and commitment to enhancing the effectiveness of local government.

B. Proclamation No 2026-03 - Declaring May Nurses Month

Mayor Jensen has officially proclaimed May 2026 as Nurses Month, adopting the theme "The Power of Nurses." This proclamation acknowledges the significant contributions of nurses to the health and well-being of our community. Nurses from the local hospital were in attendance to honor this important recognition.

C. Renewal of Liquor Licenses
   a. Motion to Approve or Deny Liquor License

Mayor Jensen presented the following retail liquor license applications for renewal: Broulim Supermarkets, LLC dba Broulim’s #12, C & G, LLC dba A.J.’s Discount Liquor, Colter’s Lodge, Inc. dba Colter's Lodge, Maverik Inc. dba Maverik #355, Shelly’s Cowboy Bar, LLC dba Cowboy Bar. Mayor Jensen presented the following restaurant liquor license applications for renewal: Agave Group LLC dba Agave. Mayor Jensen presented the following bar & grill liquor license application for renewal: Smoked It LLC d.b.a. 225 BBQ & More, and Salt River Café, LLC dba Star Valley Roadhouse. Police Chief Jason Romberg said he had no objections to renewing the licenses. At the call of the Mayor, Council Member Hillyard made a motion to approve and renew the liquor licenses as presented, seconded by Council Member Brown. The motion carried unanimously.

D. C and G, LLC - Catering Permit
   a. Motion to Approve or Deny Catering Permit

Mrs. Crystal McGee, representing C & G, LLC, asked that the Council consider approving a catering beverage permit for the 250th Celebration. She requested the permit be valid on July 3, 2026, from 10 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. At the Mayor's call, Council Member Wilkes moved to approve the permit. Council Member Hillyard seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

E. Prohibition Outpost - Catering Permit for May 22, 29 & June 5, 12, 2026
   a. Motion to Approve or Deny Catering Permit

Probihbition Outpost LLC submitted an application to the Council for a series of permits, seeking approval for a catering beverage permit for the event "Friday Night Lights." The requested permits were intended to be valid on May 22, May 29, June 5, and June 12, 2026, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. At the Mayor's request, Council Member Wilkes moved to table the catering permits. Council Member Hillyard seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 3 to 2. Aye (yes) vote: Council Members Dirk Hillyard, Will Wilkes, and Mayor Jensen. Nay (No) vote: Council Members Scott Griffith and Brock Brown. As a result, tabling the decision effectively denies the permits for the May dates and the first June date.

F. Prohibition Outpost - Catering Permit for June 12, 2026 (Private Party)
    a. Motion to Approve or Deny Catering Permit

Prohibition Outpost, LLC, asked the Council to consider approving a catering beverage permit for a private party. The request was for the permit to be valid on July 12, 2026, from 4:00 p.m to 10:00 p.m at the Lincoln County Fairground Building. At the Mayor's call, Council Member Hillyard moved to approve the permit. Council Member Wilkes seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

G. Airport Board Acceptance of Resignation of Rod Jensen
    a. Motion to Approve or Deny Resignation

Motion:
At the Mayor's request, Council Member Griffith made a motion to accept Mr. Rod Jensen's resignation. Council Member Brown seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

H. Discussion and Appointment of Board Member
    a. Motion to Approve or Deny Rick Sessions to the Airport Board

At the request of the Mayor, Council Member Griffith made a motion to table the recommendation submitted by the Airport Board. However, the motion did not receive a second from other Council members and consequently did not pass. Council Member Brown motioned to accept the recommendation of Rick Session to the Airport Board, seconded by Council Member Wilkes, which passed with a vote of 3 to 2. Aye (yes) vote: Council Members Dirk Hillyard, Will Wilkes, and Brock Brown. Nay (No) vote: Council Members Scott Griffith and Mayor Jeff Jensen.

9. CONTINUING BUSINESS

A. Ordinance 703 — Ordinance Rezoning Lot 1, Sessions Village
    a. Motion to pass or deny Ordinance 703 on Third Reading and Final Reading (Passed on First and Second Reading)

Motion:
At the call of the Mayor, Council Member Hillyard made a motion to pass Ordinance 703 on third and final reading. Council Member Brown seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Ordinance 704 - Ordinance Rezoning Afton 89 Ranch, LLC
    a. Motion to pass or deny Ordinance 704 on Third and Final Reading (Passed on First and Second Reading)

Motion:
At the call of the Mayor, Council Member Wilkes made a motion to pass Ordinance 704 on third and final reading. Council Member Hillyard seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Ordinance 705 - Ordinance Rezoning Colters Lodge
    a. Motion to pass or deny Ordinance 705 on Third and Final Reading (Passed on First and Second Reading)

Motion:
At the call of the Mayor, Council Member Hillyard made a motion to table Ordinance 705 on third and final reading. Council Member Griffith seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Ordinance 706 - Ordinance Amending Chapter 5 of Title I Defensive Driving Dismissal Program
    a. Motion to pass or deny Ordinance 706 on Second Reading (Passed on First Reading)

Motion:
At the call of the Mayor, Council Member Griffith moved to pass Ordinance 706 on second reading with the stated changes. Council Member Hillyard seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

E. Ordinance 707 - Ordinance Rezoning Ted Frome Lot 4 Replat
    a. Motion to pass or deny Ordinance 707 on Second Reading (Passed on First Reading)

Motion:
At the call of the Mayor, Council Member Wilkes made a motion to pass Ordinance 707 on second reading. Council Member Hillyard seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

F. Ordinance 708 - Fiscal Year Budget July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027
    a. Motion to pass or deny Ordinance 708 on Second Reading (Passed on First Reading)

Motion:
At the call of the Mayor, Council Member Griffith made a motion to pass Ordinance 708 on second reading. Council Member Hillyard seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

G. West Alley Discussion

The Council has decided to proceed with the improvement project while the quiet tile is in

progress.

10. MAYOR'S REPORT TO COUNCIL

A. Election Filing Dates — May 14th - 29th, 2026

Mayor Jensen announced the filing dates are from May 14th to May 29th, 2026.

11. TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT

12. CORRESPONDENCE

13. ONGOING ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

14. WORKSESSION ITEMS/COUNCIL TRAINING

A. Set Agenda for the Next Work Session Scheduled for May 28, 2026.

Mayor Jensen has requested items to be included on the agenda for the upcoming Council work session, scheduled for Tuesday, May 26, 2026. The proposed agenda will feature a discussion about the timing and scheduling of the work sessions, training on CivicPlus, and the use of the concession stand at the parks.

B. Discussion on Time and Date for Work Session

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Motion to go into executive session for the purpose of considering the acquisition of real estate, personnel matters, matters concerning litigation, to which the Town is a party, or to which the Town may be a party.

Motion:

At 8:56 p.m., upon the mayor's request, Council Member Wilkes moved to go into executive session for the purpose of considering the acquisition of real estate, personnel matters, matters concerning litigation, to which the Town is a party, or to which the Town may be a party. Council Member Griffith seconded the motion, and it was carried out unanimously.

At the mayor's call, Council Member Hillyard motioned to return to regular session at 9:11 p.m. with no action taken, seconded by Council Member Brown. The motion carried unanimously.

16. ADJOURN

At the call of the Mayor, Council Member Wilkes motioned to adjourn the regular meeting of the Afton Town Council, seconded by Council Member Brown. The motion carried unanimously.

The regular meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

17. Upcoming Meetings

A. Next Town Council Meeting — June 9, 206, at 5:30 p.m. at the Afton Town Hall
Next Town Council Work Session — May 30th, 2026, at 6:30 pm. at the Afton Town Hall