

City Council Meeting

September 16th, 2026 @ 7:30 p.m.

The meeting was conducted by Mayor Ted Slivinski at 7:30 p.m. at the Montpelier City Hall.

Present:

Ray Henrie-excused
Shane Johnson
Brady Shultis
Quin Pope
Bobbi Leonhardt-excused
Dan Fisher

Others:

City Clerk Michelle Singleton
Superintendent Chris Bruce
Fire Chief Ed Preston
Parks & Rec Katie Alleman

Approval of Agenda:

Councilmember Dan Fisher moved to approve the agenda as written.
Councilmember Quin Pope seconded. The voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Approval of Minutes:

Councilmember Quin Pope moved to approve the September 2nd, 2026 minutes as written.
Councilmember Shane Johnson seconded. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Approval of Bills:

Councilmember Dan Fisher moved to approve and pay bills in the amount of \$70,132.00 with \$31,142.67 being miscellaneous bills and \$38,989.33 being payroll.
Councilmember Brady Shultis seconded. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Public Hearing-FY 25-26 Opening the Budget & Ordinance #693:

Councilmember Shane Johnson moved to go into Public Hearing for the FY 25-26 Open the Budget Ordinance 693.
Councilmember Dan Fisher seconded.

Roll call vote was taken. Dan Fisher	YES
Quin Pope	YES
Shane Johnson	YES
Brady Shultis	YES

The motion passes unanimously.
There were no public comments.

Mayor Ted Slivinski explained that the city reopens its budget near the end of the fiscal year to account for projects and expenses. He stated that amendments to the fiscal year 2025–2026 budget are needed for Water Fund expenditures related to the water facility plans and Well No. 1 project; General Fund expenses related to grants for the water and wastewater plans and the Gem State grant for the purchase and installation of new restrooms at Heritage Park; the Parks Department’s purchase of new picnic tables for Heritage Park; and the Fire Department’s purchase of a new ladder truck and equipment. Mayor Slivinski stated that the total appropriation for fiscal year 2025–2026 would increase to \$238,790.00. Mayor Slivinski then read Ordinance No. 693, amending Ordinance No. 686 and 688, in full. Councilmembers Dan Fisher and Brady Shultis identified two typographical errors that needed to be corrected.

Councilmember Shane Johnson moved to close the Public Hearing and moved back into regular session
Councilmember Quin Pope seconded. The voting unanimous in the affirmative

Councilmember Shane Johnson moved to approve Ordinance #693 an ordinance of the City of Montpelier, Bear Lake County, Idaho, amending ordinance no. 686, the annual appropriations ordinance, as amended by ordinance no.688; revising appropriation for fiscal year 2025–2026; amend the budget for the general fund in the amount of one hundred forty thousand nine hundred fifty-seven dollars (\$140,957.00) and the water fund in the amount of ninety-seven thousand eight hundred thirty-three dollars (\$97,833.00); increasing the total appropriations for fiscal year 2025–2026 by two

hundred thirty-eight thousand seven hundred ninety dollars (\$238,790.00); appropriating available fund balance; providing for severability and providing an effective date . Councilmember Brady Shultis seconded.

Roll call vote was taken.

Dan Fisher	YES
Quin Pope	YES
Shane Johnson	YES
Brady Shultis	YES

The motion passes unanimously.

Parks & Rec-Chalk Purchase:

Councilmember Quin Pope, speaking on behalf of the Softball and Baseball Board, shared concerns regarding the purchase of chalk. He stated that the Board has purchased a pallet of chalk annually for the past three years and has allowed Parks and Recreation to use it. The Board suggested alternating the annual purchase between the Board and Parks and Recreation. Mayor Slivinski asked whether the high school also uses the chalk. Councilmember Pope confirmed that it does and has offered to contribute toward the cost. He also recommended clarifying each organization's financial responsibilities.

Mayor Slivinski explained that he and Parks and Recreation Director Katie Alleman discussed her concerns about the Parks and Recreation program paying for chalk. The mayor noted that the department's budget is stretched thin. Katie explained that her budget must support all sports, not just baseball and softball. Katie also stated that when Casey Humphreys first took over the baseball and softball tournaments, he told her that Parks and Recreation could use the Baseball and Softball Board's chalk because the program only uses a couple of bags. If that arrangement is a concern, she can purchase a couple of bags for Parks and Recreation, as purchasing a pallet every other year is not feasible within her budget.

Councilmember Quin Pope moved to deny the proposal for Montpelier Parks and Recreation to purchase chalk every other year. Councilmember Shane Johnson seconded. The voting unanimous in the affirmative

Shane Johnson:

Councilmember Shane Johnson reported that the Oregon Trail Center will hold a Pumpkin Walk on October 17 and that Bear Lake Memorial Hospital will host a Boo Bash on October 24, featuring a trick-or-treat trail through Wells Park.

Katie Alleman:

Parks and Recreation Director Katie Alleman provided a report on fall sports registration. She reported that 68 children signed up for soccer, 49 children signed up for flag football, and 52 children signed up for volleyball.

Mayor Ted Slivinski adjourned until the next regularly scheduled meeting on October 7th, 2026 at 7:30p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Michelle Singleton
City Clerk