

The Kemmerer City Council met in regular session this 27th day of July, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, Kemmerer, Wyoming. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Present on roll call were Mayor Robert Bowen, Councilmember Marlin Batista, Councilmember Dave McConkie, Councilmember Bill Price, Councilmember Ken Spears, and Councilmember Mark Thatcher.

Motion was made by Councilmember McConkie to approve the agenda as amended to add New Business (e), Fishing Pond Closure and New Business (f), Updating the City Attorney Appointment of Jason Petri to start July 29, 2026 or as needed; seconded by Councilmember Spears and unanimously approved by council.

Chief of Police, Mike Kahre, and Police Sergeant Jake Walker presented Scott Meyers with the 2025 Kemmerer Police Department Citizen of the Year award. Michale Beehler was not present at the meeting.

VISITORS' COMMENTS AND PETITIONS:

Mike Lundgren made comments to the council regarding records requests.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion was made by Councilmember Price to approve the items on the consent agenda as presented; seconded by Councilmember McConike and unanimously approved by council. Those items were:

- (a) Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of July 13, 2026, Emergency Special Meeting Minutes of July 16, 2026, and Special Meeting Minutes of July 16, 2026;
 - (b) Approval of the payment of the bills, payroll, and ACH payments as presented;
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| 19071 NCPERS | \$48.00 | 19072 Ace Hardware | \$678.21 |
| 19073 Alex Pro Firearms, LLC | 34,952.00 | 19074 All West Communications | 829.04 |
| 19075 Auto Inn Repair, Inc. | 827.20 | 19076 Avfuel Corp | 16,149.59 |
| 19077 Beachler, Alisha | 280.00 | 19078 Bighorn Flying Co | 5,163.40 |
| 19079 Caselle, Inc. | 21,285.52 | 19080 Centurylink | 892.23 |
| 19081 Centurylink Communications | 21.30 | 19082 City of Kemmerer Acct | 256.00 |
| 19083 CKS-Comm. Kitchen Supply | 387.12 | 19084 Cooper, Lara | 2,250.00 |
| 19085 Covert Law Enforcement | 45,000.00 | 19086 DBT Transportation | 1,795.00 |
| 19087 Dex Imaging | 159.46 | 19088 DJ's Glass | 1,285.72 |
| 19089 Donathan, Lance | 70.00 | 19090 Enbridge Gas Utah | 1,110.52 |
| 19091 First Bank of Wyoming | 5,358.41 | 19092 Freedom Mailing Services | 706.51 |
| 19093 Golden Threads | 110.00 | 19094 Gunter's Service | 6,832.96 |
| 19095 Hooton Tech, LLC | 17,416.00 | 19096 Jorgensen Associates, Inc | 2,888.75 |
| 19097 JUB Engineers, Inc | 1,449.40 | 19098 KD Joint Powers Board | 5,019.35 |
| 19099 Kemmerer Gazette | 180.00 | 19100 Lincoln County Sheriff | 2,520.00 |
| 19101 Meyers, Theresa | 354.00 | 19102 Mtn West Business Solution | 21.31 |
| 19103 Netwize | 2,047.69 | 19104 One-Call of Wyoming | 160.65 |
| 19105 Outlaw Industrial LLC | 1,887.69 | 19106 Peterson Legal Services | 3,000.00 |
| 19107 Pitney Bowes, Inc | 426.84 | 19108 Reladyne West | 1,526.15 |

19109 Rocky Mountain Power	11,812.28	19110 Safe Checks	648.10
19111 Safety Supply & Sign Co	891.30	19112 Shums Coda Associates	210.00
19113 Toronto, Thomas	650.00	19114 VOID	0.00
19115 UMB Card Center	23,236.28	19116 Viviano's Concrete	1,000.00
19117 Wells Fargo Financial	619.47	19118 WAM	3,996.00
19119 Wyoming State Golf	2,080.00	5/31/26 Worldpay-ACH	1,078.40
6/30/26 Worldpay-ACH	1,366.46	7/15/26 Wyo Workers Comp	18,359.17
7/15/26 Federal Tax Deposit-ACH	16,251.71	7/15/26 Payroll Direct Deposit-ACH	57,159.20
7/15/26 AFLAC-ACH	12.24	7/15/26 Expert Pay-ACH	913.05
7/15/26 Orchard Trust-ACH	1,200.00		

- (c) Authorize the mayor to sign the Emergency Insect Management Payment Voucher;
- (d) Authorize the mayor to sign the 2026 Emergency Insect Management grant Agreement.

OLD BUSINESS:

- (a) Motion was made by Councilmember Price to Pass, Approve, and Adopt on 3rd Reading Ordinance No. 2026-908, Amending the Kemmerer Zoning Map, changing 60 acres of land currently zoned Heavy Industrial I-3 to I-1, lying West and adjacent to U.S. Highway 189 and South of U.S. Highway 30; seconded by Councilmember Batista and unanimously approved by council present.

NEW BUSINESS:

- (a) Motion was made by Councilmember Batista to authorize the mayor to sign the Liquor Catering Permit for Eagle Bar LLC, out of LaBarge, Wyoming to use their liquor license to cater an event at the South Lincoln Training and Event Center on August 15, 2026; seconded by Councilmember Spears and unanimously approved by council.
- (b) Motion was made by Councilmember Batista to authorize the mayor to sign the Liquor Catering Permit for Rosie's Pizzeria Sports Bar, out of Diamondville, Wyoming to use their liquor license to cater an event at the South Lincoln Training and Event Center on August 1, 2026; seconded by Councilmember Spears and unanimously approved by council.
- (c) Motion was made by Councilmember Batista to amend the FY 26-27 budget in the amount of \$30,016.69 to hire a part-time administration front desk position; seconded by Councilmember Price and unanimously approved by council.
- (d) Motion was made by Councilmember Batista to authorize the Golf and Parks Director or his designee to close the Kemmerer Community Fishing Pond as needed due to unseasonable high temperatures and authorize signage to be placed to say such; seconded by Councilmember McConkie and unanimously approved by council.
- (e) Motion was made by Councilmember Batista to amend the appointment of the Kemmerer City Attorney, Jason Petri, to begin on July 29, 2026; seconded by Councilmember Thatcher and unanimously approved by council.

COMMENTS:

City Administrator, Brian Muir, presented a letter addressed to the city by the Fossil Basin Chamber of Commerce. Council gave directions to the Golf and Parks Director on punch passes

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at the golf course and the rec center for the Fossil Basin Chamber of Commerce Gala. Brian Muir made comments. Councilmember Price, Councilmember Thatcher, Councilmember Spears, Councilmember McConkie, and Councilmember Batista made comments. Mayor Bowen made comments.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business before the council, Mayor Bowen adjourned the regular meeting; 6:39 p.m.

ATTEST:


NATASIA DIERS
CITY CLERK - TREASURER



BY: 

ROBERT BOWEN, MAYOR