

City of Clark Fork

Minutes of the 12/17/25 Clark Fork Special City Council Meeting

Mayor Russell Schenck called the December 17, 2025 Special Meeting of the City Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Schenck led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of Council Members: Council Members Sharon Banning, Jay White, Vicki Woodward and Tim Yetter were present, constituting a quorum.

ADDITIONS to the AGENDA: None

A. Discussed, Lightning Creek Flood Damage to the City's Water Infrastructure and Authorize Spending for Emergency Repairs, ACTION ITEM.

Mayor Schenck provided the council with an update of the City's water system repairs, following the damage caused by the Lightning Creek flood. He stated that likely over 150 feet of the city's waterline, which ran along the Lightning Creek corridor, was lost in the flooding, leaving the system inoperable. City maintenance crews, knowing the line was going to be lost, had already switched to the City's alternative 9th Street well backup system, keeping service to the City. The Mayor had declared a state of emergency on December 11, 2025, following the discovery of the damaged waterline. The Mayor stated the City was faced with two options: either replacing the lost waterline along the creek, which would require tearing up the repaired road and cost an estimated \$250K to \$350K or make the necessary adjustments to the 9th Street well to operate until the new water system is completed by the end of 2026. The council discussed and agreed to go with the 9th street well option.

Council Member Woodward made a motion to approve the Mayor spending up to \$50K for emergency repairs to the water system. Council Member White seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote of Council:

Sharon Banning - Y

Jay White - Y

Vicki Woodward - Y

Tim Yetter - Y

Motion carried.

B. Discussed, Emergency Declaration Resolution 3-2025, ACTION ITEM.

The council discussed the emergency declaration and agreed it was good for the City to sign the declaration in order to seek disaster assistance and protect the citizens of Clark Fork.

Council Member Woodward made a motion to approve Resolution 3-2025 for Declaration of Emergency. Council Member Banning seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote of Council:

Sharon Banning - Y

Jay White - Y

Vicki Woodward - Y

Tim Yetter -Y

Motion carried.


MEETING ADJOURNMENT. ACTION ITEM.

Council Member Banning made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Council Member Yetter.


All in favor, Aye

Meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kat King, City Clerk



Russell Schenck, Mayor