

**City of Hills and Dales**  
**Minutes of the City Commission Meeting**  
**Thursday, January 8, 2026**  
**7:00 p.m.**

The Commission met in regular session on Thursday, January 8, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Treasurer Joan Taylor, 3300 Mt. Rainier Drive. City officials present were Mayor Andreas Wokutch, Commissioners Jeff Burnett, Barbara Rogers and Kathy Weisbach and Treasurer Joan Taylor and City Clerk Jeanne Keats. Commissioner Roger Owen was absent. Mayor Wokutch called the meeting to order.

**Approval of December 11, 2025 Commission Meeting Minutes**

*Mayor Wokutch called for a motion to approve the December 11, 2025, Regular Commission Meeting minutes. Commissioner Rogers so moved, Commissioner Weisbach seconded, and the Commission approved by unanimous vote.*

**Resident Comments**

There were no resident comments.

**Treasurer's Report**

Financials

Treasurer Taylor reported total City assets as of December 31, 2025, of \$385,473.91 and the City has no liabilities. The City's total income for November was \$-383.34 because partial property tax payments had to be refunded to two residents who were late submitting their homestead exemptions to the Jefferson County Property Valuation Administration. Total expenses were \$8,703.88. She reminded the Commission again that the remaining American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds of about \$5,000 had to be used before December 31, 2026.

*Mayor Wokutch made a motion to approve the financials through December 31, 2025, Commissioner Burnett seconded and the Commission approved by unanimous vote.*

**REGULAR COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Municipal Governance and Legal**

No report.

**Communications and Neighborhood**

**Final Report on 2025 Holiday Gathering and Hosts for 2026 Community Gatherings**

Commission Rogers reported that 30 people attended the holiday gathering which was held on Friday, December 12, at the home of David and Cindy Daunhauer. She also reported that Bob and Lisa Hall have

volunteered to host the community's 2026 holiday gathering, and Joan Taylor and her husband, Greg Litaker, have volunteered to host a summer picnic again.

### **News Flyer**

Commissioner Rogers reported that the following topics will be included in the winter news flyer:

- a welcome to new residents Philip and Sarah Logan and their daughter and Kevin and Courtney Mattingly and their three children;
- a status report on the three ordinances (Animal Control, Property Maintenance, and Exterior Improvements Review Committee) which the Commission is considering; and
- the new Google Group email neighbors@hillsanddales.city that residents will be able use for such matters as lost pets, break-ins, road or utility problems, vehicle accidents, suspicious activity, etc.

### **Proposed Ordinances Still Under Legal Review**

Commissioner Rogers told the Commission that legal counsel John Singler is still reviewing the Commission's proposed Animal Control and the Exterior Property Improvements Review Committee ordinances.

### **First Reading – An Ordinance Related to Property Maintenance and Restriction of Nuisances**

Commissioner Rogers said that Attorney John Singler, recently sent her the proposed Property Maintenance/Nuisance Ordinance with his recommended modifications. The Commission reviewed and discussed the modifications as a **first reading** of the ordinance. City Clerk Keats said she would make some minor edits as discussed with the Commission before the second reading.

### **Snow Removal, Roads and Signage**

#### Snow Removal Update

Commissioner Burnett reported that there has only been one minor snow event recently, and Nalley's Lawn Service and Landscaping, LLC responded by salting the entrance hill.

### **Maintenance, Utilities, Beautification**

No report.

### **Technology Services and Security**

Commissioner Weisbach discussed the test that she recently conducted for the new Google Group email neighbors@hillsanddales.city She also said she would send introductory general information about how the email will work to residents soon.

### **Other Business**

There was no other business to come before the Commission.

**Adjournment**

*There being no further business to come before the meeting, Mayor Wokutch called for a motion to adjourn, Commissioner Burnett so moved, Mayor Wokutch seconded, and the Commission approved by unanimous vote.*

The meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

*Andreas Wokutch*

2-13-26

Approved by Mayor Andreas Wokutch

Date

*Jeanne Keats*

2-12-26

Submitted by City Clerk Jeanne Keats

Date

*The next Commission Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 12  
at 7:00 p.m.  
at the home of Treasurer Joan Taylor, 3300 Mt. Rainier Drive*