

Naples City Council

June 11, 2026

Minutes

A meeting of the Naples City Council was held June 11, 2026, 7:30 p.m., at the Naples City Office, 1420 East 2850 South, Naples, Uintah County, Utah.

DATE, TIME & PLACE OF MEETING

Council members attending were Brock Arnold, Nate Zilles, Dan Olsen, Kenneth Reynolds and Jonathan Beede. Ross Morton was absent.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ATTENDING

Others attending were Luke Schlosser, Brittany Schlosser, David Smuin, Brooks Jones, Szeth Simmons, Ryan Cook, Scott Gray, Gwen Harrison, Micheal Davis and Nikki Kay.

OTHERS ATTENDING

Mayor Arnold welcomed everyone and asked Luke Schlosser if he would lead everyone in the pledge of allegiance. Luke was at the meeting working on a scout merit badge. After the pledge, Dan Olsen offered the invocation.

OPENING CEREMONY

Mayor Arnold asked for approval of the agenda. Nate Zilles **moved** to approve the agenda. Dan Olsen **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with all in attendance voting aye.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The minutes of the city council meeting of May 14, 2026 were presented for approval. Jonathan Beede **moved** to approve the minutes. Kenneth Reynolds **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with all in attendance voting aye.

MINUTES APPROVED

Mayor Arnold asked for a motion to open the public comment period. Nate Zilles **moved** to enter the public comment period. Kenneth Reynolds **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with all voting aye. Nothing was brought forward from the public. Dan Olsen **moved** to close the public comment period. Jonathan Beede **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with all voting in the affirmative.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Mike Eriksson came before the Council seeking approval to adopt the Utah Forestry, Fire and State Lands (UtahFFSL) cooperative agreement. Mr. Eriksson stated the City needed to enter into the agreement with UtahFFSL in case the Uintah Fire District ever stopped doing what they are doing. He explained the program provides the necessary resources

APPROVE COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH UTAH FORESTRY, FIRE, AND STATE LANDS

for the City in the event of a wildland fire. Mr. Eriksson stated the Fire District currently meets the match portion of the costs with mitigation. Kenneth Reynolds **moved** to approve the agreement. Dan Olsen **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with all voting aye.

Ryan Cook came before the Council asking for approval to expend funds to re-stripe several of the streets in the City. Ryan stated they have a joint contract with Vernal City in order to save on mobilization charges from the company. He was asking for approval to expend up to \$30,000 for the road striping. Kenneth Reynolds **moved** to expenditure for street striping. Jonathan Beede **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Jonathan Beede	Aye
Kenneth Reynolds	Aye
Ross Morton	Absent
Dan Olsen	Aye
Nate Zilles	Aye

Ryan Cook asked the Council for approval to purchase a new snowplow. He stated the old plow has about fifteen years of service and has been repaired a couple of times. Ryan said he received two bids and recommended going with the bid from Holland Equipment as it was the lower bid and on state contract. Dan Olsen **moved** to accept the bid from Holland for \$11,989.05. Nate Zilles **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Nate Zilles	Aye
Dan Olsen	Aye
Ross Morton	Absent
Kenneth Reynolds	Aye
Jonathan Beede	Aye

Ryan Cook asked for Council approval to purchase a new brush chipper to pull behind the truck to clean the trees and brush from the right-of-ways. Ryan said he spoke with other agencies about the different chippers and was told, if you can afford it, get a Vermeer. He was told they are the safest on the market and the longevity should be good. Councilman Reynolds asked if it was in the budget. Ryan said it is. Councilman Zilles said he did have a concern about safety so he was glad Ryan shared that about Vermeer. Kenneth Reynolds **moved** to approve the Vermeer chipper. Jonathan

***A P P R O V E
EXPENDITURES FOR
STREET STRIPING***

***APPROVE EXPENDITURE
FOR NEW SNOWPLOW***

***APPROVE EXPENDITURE
FOR BRUSH CHIPPER***

Beede **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with the following vote:

Jonathan Beede	Aye
Kenneth Reynolds	Aye
Ross Morton	Absent
Dan Olsen	Aye
Nate Zilles	Aye

Jerry Slaugh with Sunrise Engineering came to share the discussions and plans for the parking lot across the street from the pickleball courts. Mr. Slaugh said people have been parking there but it is unorganized parking. He said they were asked to look at it and see what they could do. Mr. Slaugh said he was not sure how much the City wanted to be involved but their bid was designed to get plans drawn, survey it, and work on a pre bid process to select a contractor. The bid submitted was for \$29,000 and was not to exceed that amount. Nathan Zilles **moved** to accept the engineering bid. Dan Olsen **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with all voting aye on roll call.

***ACCEPT ENGINEERING
BID FOR PARKING LOT***

Jonathan Beede	Aye
Kenneth Reynolds	Aye
Ross Morton	Absent
Dan Olsen	Aye
Nate Zilles	Aye

Dan Olsen **moved** to open a public hearing to discuss opening and amending the FY 2025/2026 budget and to receive public input on the proposed FY 2026/2027 budget. Kenneth Reynolds **seconded** the motion. Mayor Arnold explained why they hold the public hearing and how it works. With no comment from the public, Jonathan Beede **moved** to leave the public hearing. Nate Zilles **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with all voting aye.

***PUBLIC HEARING TO
OPEN AND AMEND FY
2025/2026 BUDGET AND
TO CONSIDER FY
2026/2027 BUDGET***

Kenneth Reynolds **moved** to go into a second public hearing to discuss the salaries of elective and statutory officials. Dan Olsen **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with all voting in the affirmative. Mayor Arnold asked if two public hearings were necessary and Nikki stated, according to State Code, the discussion for salaries had to be separate from any other public hearing. Mayor Arnold stated there were no raises proposed for Mayor or Council. Council members reviewed the salaries for the statutory officials. With no comment from the public, Dan Olsen **moved** to close the

***PUBLIC HEARING TO
CONSIDER THE
SALARIES OF ELECTIVE
AND STATUTORY
OFFICIALS***

public hearing. Kenneth Reynolds **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with all voting aye.

Mayor Arnold stated he would like to see more public involvement in what Naples is doing as a city and to try and help build more community engagement. He asked Mr. Harrington to help draft a policy to advertise for people to help in planning events. He recognized that city staff currently puts a lot into planning city events, and he appreciates that, but understands those can be taxing. Mayor Arnold said his goal is not to remove any staff from helping but to hopefully open it up to the community and try and incentivize some people to get involved and help plan the events. Mayor Arnold thanked Mr. Harrington for preparing the policy and Gwen for her input on it. Mr. Harrington shared that he thought it was a good idea and thought about presenting it to other groups he works with. Mr. Harrington said they are not calling this an advisory board because that would trigger the open and public meeting rules, it is strictly a volunteer, idea offering, group. Councilman Beede said the policy states the Mayor would appoint people. Mayor Arnold said he would mainly be asking someone from the City to take the lead on an event, as a point of contact. He said he understands that most of the day to day responsibilities of things would fall to Gwen because she is the most accessible. Mayor Arnold said this was his idea and he was asking Gwen for her permission to be assigned as the initial liaison. Councilman Zilles said the policy says the event coordinator will be chosen from among city staff, and he wondered if they wanted to open that up to the City Council as well. Mayor Arnold said he considers the Council to be part of city staff. Mr. Harrington said it might cause some issues if the person in charge is one of the Council because the person in charge of the event would need to come to Council if additional funds were needed. Gwen stated she would love to have more Council involvement in the events. She stated Summerfest is an all day event and having some of them sign up for a time slot would help alleviate staff from being there all day. Mayor Arnold said that is why having more people involved would help with that and with additional ideas. Councilman Zilles liked the idea and how the policy was structured and just wanted to make sure the City is in control of the event because they are tied to the event. He also felt it was good to make sure the committee understand they don't have decision making authority and that things still come to the Council. Dan Olsen **moved** to approve and adopt Resolution 26-375 and to name Gwen Harrison as the event coordinator. Kenneth Reynolds

***R E C R E A T I O N
COMMITTEE POLICY
ADOPTION***

seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in attendance voting aye.

Council members received a bid for improvements to the access road for Hunter Hollow Subdivision. Micheal explained the road was on the City's boundary line at 500 East 3000 South. He said the City has a 33' right-of-way along that boundary and there have been issues with water coming onto property along there. Micheal said they would like to put dirt on half of the road and slope it back toward the field. He said three companies showed interest in the project but only KW Trucking submitted a bid. Nate Zilles **moved** to accept the bid from KW Trucking for the Hunter Hollow access road. Jonathan Beede **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

Nate Zilles	Aye
Dan Olsen	Aye
Ross Morton	Absent
Kenneth Reynolds	Aye
Jonathan Beede	Aye

Micheal gave council members information on the certified tax rate. The rate for 2026 will be .000223 with a projected revenue of \$82,697. Kenneth Reynolds **moved** to accept the rate as it stands and adopt Ordinance 26-373 for the certified tax rate. Dan Olsen **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with the following vote:

Jonathan Beede	Aye
Kenneth Reynolds	Aye
Ross Morton	Absent
Dan Olsen	Aye
Nate Zilles	Aye

Council members received a copy of the new retirement rates from Utah Retirement Systems for their approval. Jonathan Beede **moved** to approve the rates from URS. Kenneth Reynolds **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with all voting in the affirmative.

Resolution 26-374 was presented to Council for their approval. The resolution authorizes that the City may elect to take formal action to pick-up or pay required employee contributions in the Tier 2 public safety defined benefit hybrid system. Mayor Arnold noted this is only allowed in the public safety system but it is a good employee retention tool. Dan

***REVIEW AND ACCEPT
BID FOR HUNTER
HOLLOW ACCESS ROAD***

***APPROVE CERTIFIED
TAX RATE***

***APPROVE NEW RATES
FROM URS***

***MOTION TO APPROVE
PICK UP OF PUBLIC
SAFETY TIER 2
EMPLOYEE
CONTRIBUTION***

Olsen **moved** to adopt Resolution 26-374 authorizing the pick up. Kenneth Reynolds **seconded** the motion. The motion passed as follows:

Jonathan Beede	Aye
Kenneth Reynolds	Aye
Ross Morton	Absent
Dan Olsen	Aye
Nate Zilles	Aye

Gwen Harrison asked Council members to please try and attend the next Planning Commission meeting. She stated they will hold three public hearings to discuss the planning commission bylaws, accessory dwelling units, and changes to the commercial zone. Gwen stated she would like to hear from the Council how they can find ways to provide affordable housing in Naples. Councilman Zilles said that affordable housing is an interesting issue right now and the accessory dwelling units might be a great option for that.

***OTHER MATTERS OR
FUTURE COUNCIL
MATTERS***

Micheal said they've had two different groups approach the City about Pheasant Run. He said they all tell them, in order to make any money, they want to put in higher density housing. Micheal said if water was available, they would have even more of those requests.

Sergeant Gray said that low income housing brings its own set of issues with police enforcement, not always, but it seems to.

Micheal reported on the approval for funding of the CIB loan/grant and on trying to work with the Recreation District to partner with their lighting contractor to get some lights along the park.

With no other business before the Council, Nate Zilles **moved** to adjourn the meeting at 8:35. Jonathan Beede **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with all voting aye.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

APPROVED BY COUNCIL ON THE 25TH DAY OF JUNE 2026

BY: _____

ATTEST: _____