

**MONUMENT TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, June 1, 2026 - 6:30 PM

Monument Town Hall - 645 Beacon Lite Rd., Monument CO 80132
Hybrid Meeting - Remote Participation Via Teams

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call:

Mayor Mitch LaKind called the regular meeting of the Monument Town Council and led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance. Proper notice of the meeting was posted for more than 24 hours in the designated posting locations. The following Councilmembers and staff were present for the meeting:

TOWN COUNCIL	TOWN STAFF
PRESENT: Mayor Mitch LaKind Mayor Pro Tem Steve King Councilmember Laura Kronick Councilmember Chad Smith Councilmember Kenneth Kimple	Madeline VanDenHoek, Town Manager Tina Erickson, Town Clerk Bob Cole, Town Attorney Will Williams, Director of IT Thomas Tharnish, Director of Public Works Jennifer Phillips, Director of Finance Laura Hogan, Director of Administration Dan Ungerleider, Director of Planning Emily Trujillo, HR Manager Steve Murray, Town Accountant Timothy Johnson, Commander of Police
ATTENDED REMOTELY:	
ABSENT WITH PRIOR NOTICE: Councilmember Marco Florito Councilmember Sana Abbott	
ABSENT WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE:	

2. Disclosures of Conflicts of Interest:

- a. Disclosures of Potential Conflicts of Interest
- b. Vote on Excluding Council Members With Potential Conflicts of Interest From Consideration, Discussion and Voting on Identified Matters
- No disclosures with potential conflicts of interest were received.

3. Approval of the Consent Agenda:

- a. Agenda - June 1, 2026
- b. Meeting Minutes - May 18, 2026
- c. Invoices Over \$25K
- d. Resolution No. 36-2026 - A Resolution Approving Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) Between the Town of Monument and Monument Academy for

School Resource Officers for the 2026-2027 School Year
Councilmember Laura Kronick made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, the motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Steve King. Roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5 to 0.

4. Public Comments For Items Not on the Agenda:

-No public comments were received.

5. Proclamations:

a. A Proclamation Declaring Support For Community Action Against Human Trafficking

Mayor Mitch LaKind introduced the proclamation declaring support for community action against human trafficking and read the proclamation, the council proclaimed our support for community action against human trafficking on June 1, 2026

6. Presentations:

a. Girls of the West

The Girls of the west, Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo, and Pikes Peak Range Riders gave a presentation and invited everyone to the western street breakfast on June 17th and the rodeo starting July 14-18, 2026.

b. User Fee Study

Phillips presented the user fee study as included in the council packet. The Planning Department will look into operating a business in a parking lot Temporary Use Permit. Park reservation deposit modification. VanDenHoek does not recommend changing the business license fees as suggested. Ungerleider is concerned with raising the planning rates too much as it could be harmful to future development. Councilmember Chad Smith suggested a step-up approach or a percentage to increase the planning fees to minimize the heavy impact on development. Councilmember Kenneth Kimple proposed questions on transaction fees with the recommendation of a 3% fee, notary fees for admin and court also about cemetery fees open/close. Hogan clarified that the maximum amount for a notary fee is \$15.00. Phillips clarified that all fees will be either rounded up or rounded down rather than having miscellaneous change. Mayor Pro Tem Steve King requested the Planning Department to look at the development impact on the town relative to the taxpayer's impact on the town, since impact fees were not raised at the last study.

c. Employee Survey Results

Trujillo presented the employee survey results as included in the council packet.

7. Ordinances:

a. Ordinance No. 14-2026 - An Ordinance Granting Approval of the Zoning of

the Beacon Lite Water Tank Site to Public (P)
Gorney presented ordinance no. 14-2026 as included in the council packet. Mayor Mitch LaKind opened the public hearing; no public comments were received. Mayor Mitch LaKind closed the public hearing. Councilmember Chad Smith made a motion to approve ordinance no. 14-2026 and the motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Steve King. Roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5 to 0.

8. Resolutions:

a. PUBLIC HEARING on Resolution No. 37-2026 - A Resolution Adopting an Amended Budget for the Purposes Set Forth Below for the Town of Monument, Colorado, Beginning on the First Day of January 2026 and Ending on the Last Day of December 2026

Phillips presented resolution no. 37-2026 as included in the council packet. Murray presented the general fund financial forecast. Mayor Mitch LaKind opened the public hearing; no public comments were received. Mayor Mitch LaKind closed the public hearing. Councilmember Laura Kronick made a motion to approve resolution no. 37-2026 and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Chad Smith. Roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5 to 0.

b. Resolution No. 38-2026 - A Resolution Appropriating Sums of Money to the Various Funds in the Amounts Set Forth Below for the Town of Monument, Colorado, Beginning on the First Day of January 2026 and Ending on the Last Day of December 2026

Phillips presented resolution no. 38-2026 as included in the council packet. Councilmember Chad Smith made a motion to approve resolution no. 38-2026 and the motion was seconded by Mayor Mitch LaKind. Roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5 to 0.

c. Resolution No. 41-2026 - A Resolution to Approve Financial Policies to Ensure the Town is Capable of Adequately Funding the Government Services Desired by the Community

Phillips presented resolution no. 41-2026 as included in the council packet. Councilmember Laura Kronick made a motion to approve resolution no. 41-2026 and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Chad Smith. Roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5 to 0.

d. Resolution No. 39-2026 - A Resolution Approving a Professional Design Services Agreement with Moore Engineering Inc. to Provide Professional Engineering Services Related to Updating the Town of Monument Water Master Plan

Tharnish presented resolution no. 39-2026 as included in the council packet. Councilmember Chad Smith made a motion to approve resolution no. 39-2026 and the motion was seconded by Mayor Mitch LaKind. Roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5 to 0.

e. Resolution No. 40-2026 - A Resolution Approving an Agreement With the

Town Engineer, IMEG, to Provide Professional Engineering Services to Update the Town's Water Standards and Specifications

Tharnish presented resolution no. 40-2026 as included in the council packet.

Councilmember Chad Smith made a motion to approve resolution no. 40-2026 and the motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Steve King. Roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5 to 0.

9. Future Agenda Item Authorization:

- IGA with El Paso County for the use of community development block grant funds for the fiscal years 2027-2029 on June 15, 2026.

10. Council Comments:

- Councilmember Laura Kronick- World Elder Abuse Awareness Day on June 15, 2026 a proclamation will be read at the BOCC Centennial Hall Auditorium on June 9th. Colorado Senior games on June 5-7, 2026 for more information go to coloradoseniorgames.org.

- Mayor Mitch LaKind- gave condolences to the former state representative Lois Landgraf.

11. Executive Session:

a. Executive Session Pursuant to C.R.S. §24-6-402(4)(b) and C.R.S. §24-6-402(4)(e) for a Discussion With the Town's Attorney to Receive Legal Advice on a Complaint and for Determining Positions Relative to Matters That May be Subject to Negotiation, Developing Strategy for Negotiations and Instructing Negotiators Relating to Same

Mayor Mitch LaKind moved to enter executive session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b) and C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(e) for a discussion with the Town's Attorney to receive legal advice on a complaint and for determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiation, developing strategy for negotiations and instructing negotiators relating to the same and to adjourn the regular meeting upon conclusion of the executive session, no action will be taken.

Councilmember Laura Kronick seconded by Councilmember. Roll call vote was taken and the vote passed 5 to 0.

-The Council entered executive session at 08:53 pm.

-The Council concluded executive session at 09:18 pm.

12. Adjournment:

The regular council meeting was adjourned at 09:18 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tina Erickson

Tina Erickson, Town Clerk

