

- I. **Call to Order:** Mayor Lutitia Ford called the regular meeting of the Bryson City Council to order at 7:00 pm December 8, 2025, in City Hall.

**Roll Call:** The following people were present: Mayor Lutitia Ford, Ald. Jesse Laine, Ald. JR Stearns, Ald. Justin Hand, PWD Cory Allen, City Secretary Cheryl Adams, and APWD Kevin. Ald. Heather Neer and Ald. Travis Rhoten were absent.

- II. Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation
- III. Guest/Visitors Comments to Council – no visitors
- IV. A motion was made to approve the consent agenda by Ald. JR Stearns, seconded by Ald. Justin Hand. Vote 3-0.
- V. A discussion was held on the Christmas in the Park event that took place December 3. Council members present all agreed they thought it went well and there was a good turnout. Improvements to be made were to start planning earlier, in October or sooner. The mayor indicated she still wants to get the extension for the Christmas tree for next year. It was also suggested that the cookie and hot chocolate tables be moved closer to the tree and log cabin. Next year’s Christmas in the Park will be planned for the first week of December.
- VI. A discussion was held on the new City website. City Secretary Cheryl Adams asked everyone to bring the site up on their iPads and look at it. While she explained she is currently updating the site she asked if Council could see anything that needed to be changed or added/removed.
- VII. A discussion was held on the IntraFi program through Ciera Bank. This would allow the City to place excess funds in other accounts while remaining under the FDIC threshold. Documentation was provided for information by Chela Lehr from Ciera Bank in Graham. The Council asked if the City Secretary would invite Ms. Lehr to the next Council meeting to discuss and answer questions.
- VIII. Report from Public Works Director – Public Works Director Cory Allen updated the Council on the TxDOT meeting he attended last month. He explained various things the City would have to do for the proposed highway construction, including moving a water line. He also informed the Council that the generator that was ordered should be delivered soon. He said he has not heard back from Erwin about the well yet. They are supposed to call when their camera is fixed. He also ordered some rock to fix potholes but it wouldn’t be delivered for about a week. Also hoping to be able to work on ditches soon. Discussed smoke testing.
- IX. Report from City Secretary – City Secretary Cheryl Adams told the Council that the Code of Ordinances book needs to be updated. American Legal Publishing contacted her and said it would be \$20 per ordinance. She informed the Council of information she had found on the Senior Citizens Center. She asked about creating an ordinance against hunting/shooting inside City limits based on a phone call she had with the game warden

last month. She also asked if the \$700 interest and sinking payments should continue to the USDA account that was paid off. Council said yes.

- X. Adjournment – There being no further business before the Council, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm by Ald. Jesse Laine; seconded by Ald. JR Stearns. Vote 3-0.

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Lutitia Ford, Mayor  
City of Bryson

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Cheryl Adams, City Secretary  
City of Bryson