# Town of Rosalia Regular Council Meeting November 13, 2018 Rosalia Council Chambers 7:30pm -9:42pm

REGULAR MEETING CALL TO ORDER: 7:30pm

ROLL CALL: Mayor Lee Root, Council members: Bob Hill, Robert Ward, Matt Floyd, Eric Eilertson and Rick Lau

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES, CLAIMS, PAYROLL:

**Robert Ward moved** for approval of the October 23, 2018 minutes and transactions #1863-1949 totaling \$58,489.18 **Bob Hill seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.** 

## **GUESTS:**

Ben Norton – Requested variance for garage construction (24X30). Garage will be approx.. 14ft. from street. Will not affect visibility or plowing. Gas line has already been cut by Avista and garage construction will not interfere with water or sewer lines. Would take approx.. 8ft of town's right-of-way. **Rick Lau moved** to grant variance to Ben Norton for construction of garage, **Eric Eilertson seconded the motion**, the motion passed unanimously.

Terri Hubinsky – Would like the opportunity to fix the painting on the Rosalia sign at the north-end of town.

Bryan Jensen (JUB) – Update on water/sewer project. Resolved issues with water lines and meters. Has worked with Eljay regarding new meter design. Discussed splitting the bid for project. Prices are coming in too high to bid project as a whole, will try breaking up the bid. Still need to finalize a few more specs and then turn in to Dept. of Health.

Layne Merritt (JUB) – Gave council example of newsletter and meeting outline. Discussed the need for letter writing campaign to State Representatives and support from town residents. Letters from residents should go directly to Mary Dye's office as she is on the Appropriations Committee. Layne will e-mail us an information packet for Mary Dye and application for appropriation request from the legislature.

Cynthia Wall (Dept. of Ecology) – Discussed grant/loan from DOE. Reducing the loan amount would also reduce the grant amount. Some loan money would be required for design phase, grant money would be used first for construction costs and then loan money would be used. Repayment would be approximately one year after project completion. If money is received from the legislature, a condition of appropriation would have to state that Dept of Ecology cannot reduce grant amount due money received from the Legislature. When applying for money from the Legislature the council consensus is to focus on sewer issues but to also mention upcoming & related water issues as well as rate increases.

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Finishing up preliminary budget for Public Hearing preceding next council meeting.

#### **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Rick Lau – Apologized to Mayor and Council for missing the budget workshop.

Discussed code enforcement and complaint forms. Council consensus is to require complaint forms to be filled out for code enforcement officer to be sent out.

Bob Hill mention resident on Col. Steptoe Way that want to build 8ft fence. He is not aware of any regulations against it.

#### **PUBLIC WORKS:**

#### STREETS, WATER, SEWER:

No cold patch purchased, will wait until Spring. Need to shore-up potholes with gravel for winter. Chip seal breaking up at  $9^{th}$  & Fairview and developing a hole. Need to check street light timers and the street light at The Red Brick is still out.

## **AIRPORT:**

Gravel should be completed by the end of the month. Eric Hanson does not recommend charging space rent for the manufactured home due to possibly being subject to landlord/tenant laws. Mayor will speak with Eric about possibly charging a storage fee. There will be an Airport Board meeting on 11/26/18 at 6:00pm.

# **FACILITIES:**

RV Park – Town will be responsible for winterizing the water.

PAC Building – Had another showing, interested in keeping the building as a chapel and for temporary housing for women in need.

Texaco building – Has been winterized.

Community Center – Matt Floyd asked if the Fire Dept. could be relieved of the \$65.00 rental fee for their fund-raising event. Council discussed waiving the fee on a case-by-case basis requiring the request be made at a council meeting. **Bob Hill moved** to approve waiving the rental fee for the Fire Dept., **no seconded, motion dropped**. Robert Ward stated the need to have a policy for waiving the rental fee such as needing to be a Rosalia based non-profit. **Robert Ward moved** to establish a policy for free use of the Community Center by Rosalia based non-profit organizations **Bob Hill seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously**.

# **MISCELLANEOUS:**

Mayor Root read Resolution 18-02 Accepting Public Works Board Loan. **Robert Ward moved** to pass Resolution 18-02 Accepting the Public Works Board Loan **Rick Lau seconded the motion**, **the motion passed unanimously.** 

Rick Lau moved to adjourn the regular council meeting, Matt Floyd seconded the motion,	, the
motion passed unanimously. The regular council meeting adjourned at 9:42 pm.	

	ATTEST:
Leland Root, Mayor	Barbara Leighton, Clerk/Treasurer
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