

Town of Rosalia  
Public Hearing  
November 26,2024  
7:30 – 8:03

CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 PM

Public Input: No guests present. Mr. Root reviewed changes made following the budget workshop. There was council discussion about changes that would be required with the failing of the street levy. There was discussion about methods for getting better support in the future with a possible initiation of a newsletter.

Public Hearing Adjourned at 8:03

Town of Rosalia  
Regular Council Meeting  
November 26,2024  
8:03 – 9:22

ROLL CALL: Mayor Root, Ryan Diamond, Judith Littleton, Val Bryan, John Goyke, Eric Eilertson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES, CLAIMS AND PAYROLL

**Eric Eilertson** moved to approve the November 12, 2024 minutes and transactions number 1761 through 1874 through totaling \$23,123.29. **Val Bryan** seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT: None

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Newsletter costs, frequency, and time of preparation were discussed. John Goyke moved to initiate a newsletter beginning in January. It was seconded by **Val Bryan**. The motion carried.

STREETS: The snow plow plan was reviewed. Primary streets are Whitman, Josephine, First Street, 7/8 Street, and Summit. All other roads are secondary. It was moved by **John Goyke** and seconded by **Val Bryan** to plow primary streets at 0 to 3 inches of snow, including salting and sanding primary hill streets as needed, and secondary streets would

be plowed at 4 inches of snow. The motion carried. Including a map and the snow plowing information in the newsletter was suggested.

There was further discussion about how to reduce street expenditures to reflect the decrease in revenue as a result of the levy failure. Councilman Goyke's suggested reducing number of street lights, deleting part time hours, eliminating street sweeping and altering the snow plan. Sentiment was expressed that since the levy failed, voters need to feel the impact of the cuts. Concern was expressed was that there was a risk that approach that might cause further public backlash. Voters also rejected the Park levy which will impact summer operations. There is a public perception that funds are not utilized efficiently. The mayor indicated that he has not been informed of the cause of that perception.

Funds are needed to cover the cost of work necessary to prepare streets for next TIB project. There is approximately \$14,000 in unused TIB funds from previous year's earmarked for cross walks. We need to research the time frame for using those funds.

There is a potential formula when there is a shortfall of votes in a close election which could possibly inch the levy to approval. That will be investigated.

It was moved by **John Goyke** and seconded by **Val Bryan** to remove line items concerning wages and benefits of parttime employee position. The motion passed unanimously. All recommended cuts will be included in the final budget.

WATER: Nothing

SEWER: Nothing

AIRPORT: Nothing

FACILITIES:

LIBRARY: Nothing

RV PARK: Nothing

COMMUNITY CENTER: Nothing


TOWN HALL: Nothing

MISCELLANEOUS

Final budget hearing will be on December 10<sup>th</sup>.

Information on a program called TextMyGov was presented for the council's future consideration. It is a new method of electronically connecting people to government. There is a cost involved which would come out of the Current Expense category.

**John Goyke** moved to adjourn. **Val Bryan** seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:22 pm.

  
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Lee Root, Mayor

ATTEST:   
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Judith Littleton, Council Member