

Town of Rosalia
Regular Council Meeting
September 23rd, 2025
Rosalia City Hall
7:30pm – 9:18pm

Regular Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: 7:30 PM

Roll Call: Mayor Root, Eric Eilertson, Ryan Diamond, Judith Littleton, John Goyke, Val Bryan

Approval of Minutes, Claims, and Payroll:

Eric Eilertson moved to approve September 9th, 2025, meeting minutes and transactions #1313- #1404 totaling \$89,765.05. **Judith Littleton seconded** the motion. The motion passed.

Guests: Tina Coe: The Town Code Enforcer the Knutsen property was discussed in detail, with the council unanimously agreeing that the situation must be remedied. A written notice has been issued warning of potential condemnation due to severe neglect. Renters have caused significant damage, leading to mouse infestation and foul odors affecting neighboring homes. The homeowner is responsible for pest control and cleanup of affected neighboring properties, and a legal letter will be drafted.

Fisher has refused all forms of contact, including certified mail, phone calls, and door hangers. Although he is disabled, the town remains willing to assist in removing the large trash pile from his front yard. Smith was cited for overgrown weeds, and certified mail will be sent to his updated address. Shannon was fined \$100 after his dogs escaped and entered the Petrovich residence, requiring retrieval from the town pound.

The council emphasized the need to continue issuing proper warnings and allowing the legally required notice period to build a thorough paper trail. Enforcement efforts are becoming more complex due to changing laws and lack of cooperation from the health department and the Whitman County Humane Society. Finally, the council unanimously agreed to begin searching for a new town attorney who is committed to advocating for the town's needs. Tina was asked to reach out to her brother Rusty for possible recommendations.

JUB : After review with TIB staff, it was recommended that the TIB 2025 Overlay Project (2-E-917(006)-1) be terminated and that the Town reapply at a future date with a revised scope of work. A meeting is scheduled with Becca McConnaughey from Spokane County Public Works on September 30, 2025, to rescope the work on 7th and 8th Streets and to evaluate other areas in town for potential pavement improvements.

John Goyke moved to return the remaining funds for the TIB 2025 Overlay Project (2-E-917(006)-1) and to authorize the mayor to sign the termination letter. Ryan Diamond seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

J-U-B recommended the Town apply for a Commerce Grant, with applications due by October 17, 2025. The online application must include an estimated scope, deliverables, and budget distribution. John Goyke moved to pay J-U-B their fee to prepare, submit, and manage the entire application process. Eric seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Public Works: Streets will be cold patched next week wherever needed. The mayor also spoke with Laura Lautenslager about trimming the trees near the recycle bin.

Library: John Goyke reported that the Chamber of Commerce approved a grant to support work on the library roof and ADA-compliant bathrooms

RV Park- The Port of Whitman expressed interest in contributing to improvements at the RV park. The Town will investigate other funding sources to cover the remaining expenses.

Park & Pool- The cook shack will be available for rent at \$50 per day. The mayor will contact Greg's Electric about installing heaters. The Council also requested that water be shut off for the winter and that furnace filters in all buildings be checked.

Website: Updated

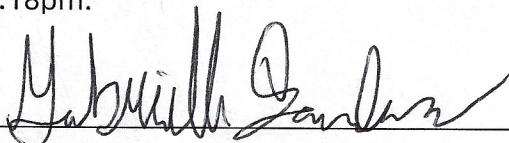
John Goyke moved to adjourn. **Judith Littleton seconded** the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Adjournment: The council meeting adjourned at 9:18pm.



Lee Root, Mayor

ATTEST:



Gabrielle Sanders, Deputy Clerk

Regular Council Meeting August 12th, 2025