Town of Rosalia
Regular Council Meeting
October 14th, 2025
Rosalia City Hall
7:30pm – 8:23pm

Regular Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: 7:30 PM

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

Excused absence: Val Bryan

Approval of Minutes, Claims, and Payroll:

Eric Eilertson moved to approve September 23rd, 2025, meeting minutes and transactions #1408-#1479 totaling \$16,039.24. **Ryan Diamond seconded** the motion. The motion passed.

Guests: Greg Herr reported that the Health Department visited and took photos of a neighbor's property. He will need to pay \$850 to have his heating system cleaned. Members have requested copies of the Health Department's letter and photos so clerk can forward them to the town lawyer.

Jake provided the Public Works update. He noted that the August water leaks have been repaired and potholes were cold-patched last week. He is researching grant options for new water meters, which would cost between \$80,000 and \$200,000, with an additional \$6,000 in annual billing system fees. Flow testing was done on hydrants, and GIS mapping continues to help improve the town's insurance rating. Public parks have been winterized, and heating systems are in place for the season.

Jake also reported that the Dodge truck had a recall resulting in a towing fee. The Public Works Department is reviewing potential new equipment purchases, including a dump truck, plow, and grader, for consideration in the 2026 budget. In the sewer system, a new sampler and aerator are needed, estimated at \$20,000 each, which would help reduce violations; ecology grants will be explored to help fund this. Jake advised against a full sewer hookup for the RV park due to lift station depth and slope concerns that could cause frequent backups.

Additional updates include ongoing meter reading with photo documentation and GPS mapping. Jake met with Becca from Spokane County to assess roadways needing repair to prepare for future TIB grants. The Port of Whitman awarded the town \$3,750 to improve the RV park. Snow removal operations will remain the same as last year.

Council comments: Members discussed investigating the purchase of an air compressor and the possibility of adding a highway sign to indicate the location of 24-hour restrooms. It was also noted that the speed limit sign near Ann Bingaman's residence needs replacement, and gravel was requested for some shoulder areas around town.

Airport: All electrical power has been connected and now needs to be checked. A potential CARB grant was mentioned as a funding opportunity.

Library: City Hall is waiting for email confirmation regarding its funding for the upcoming year.

Park and Rec: The parks and pool have been winterized, and pool water levels are stable. There was also discussion about the potential installation of splash pads in the future.

Website: has been updated, and members requested a reminder to vote be added to both the website and the reader board. Guidelines for the reader board were discussed to ensure consistency and appropriate content.

Miscellaneous: it was noted that the hedges near the mailboxes on the north side of town need to be trimmed, as they have become overgrown and are causing difficulties for mail delivery drivers.

ATTEST:

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

Adjournment: The council meeting adjourned at 8:23pm.

Lee Root, Mayor

Gabrielle Sanders, Deputy Clerk

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