

1 **Rockford Town Council Regular Meeting**  
2 **March 18, 2026, 7pm**  
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5 AN ATTEMPT HAS BEEN MADE TO DOCUMENT PERTINENT POINTS, THESE MINUTES CONTAIN  
6 ONLY A SUMMARY OF THE DISCUSSION AND VOTING.  
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8 Mayor Roecks called the regular meeting to order at 7pm.  
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10 Roll call took place. Those present were Mayor Carrie Roecks, and Councilmembers Clint Stevenson, Tim  
11 Fricke, Micki Harnois, Walt Whitman and Kevin Willms. Public Works' Dave Thompson and Clerk/Treasurer  
12 Heidi Johnson were also in attendance.  
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14 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Mr. Whitman seconded the motion.**  
15 **Motion carried.**  
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17 **Mr. Whitman made a motion to approve the minutes of the 03/18/2026 regular meeting. Mr.**  
18 **Stevenson seconded the motion. Motion carried.**  
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20 Aidan Fritz, Spokane County Community Development Manager

21 Mr. Fritz presented a slide show, explaining the rules and requirements for conducting an income survey  
22 that will be accepted by HUD and other agencies. He answered questions regarding who can conduct the  
23 survey, how long the results are valid and what information will be needed.  
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25 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 26 - Special Public Meeting 4/2/2026 at 6pm to discuss sewer rate impacts  
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28 **COUNCIL/MAYOR REPORTS**

29 - Ms. Roecks said that Spokane County has imposed a fee on most parcels (outside of Rockford  
30 Town Limits), excluding ag use, for stormwater improvements. Non-profits and municipalities  
31 owning property in the county are not exempt from this fee. She said that she spoke with  
32 representatives from the county who explained that the County Commissioners approved this fee  
33 and extended the areas affected. In reviewing some of the tax statements on the Spokane County  
34 Assessor's Office's SCOUT map, it is clear that the fee is affecting many people. Freeman School  
35 District was charged close to an additional \$12k per year for this fee, on top of the road tax. Liberty  
36 School District was charged almost \$9k. Ms. Roecks said she plans on asking more questions and  
37 will update Council when she has more information.  
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39 - Ms. Harnois said she wants to commend the new owners of 206 N First Street for all of the work  
40 they have already done to clean up the property.  
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42 **PLANNING COMMISSION - None**  
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44 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

45 Income Survey

46 Ms. Roecks requested that a committee be formed to organize an income survey. Mr. Fricke, Ms. Roecks  
47 and town staff will be on the committee.  
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49 **PUBLIC COMMENT - None**

50 **ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS - None**  
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52 **OLD BUSINESS**

53 Sewer Study/WWTF Updates – No additional discussion

54 Dept of Ecology, SCPPL Funds  
55 Sam Mineer with JUB Engineers suggested requesting an extension with DOE to transition into the design  
56 phase of the General Sewer Study after 06/30/2026 so the additional funding continues to be available  
57 without requesting separate funding.

58 **Mr. Whitman made a motion to request an extension to the current agreement with Ecology. Ms.**  
59 **Harnois seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

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61 NEW BUSINESS – None

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63 STAFF REPORTS

64 Public Works

65 - Mr. Marcalus said that Public Works have been busy with odds and ends, getting equipment  
66 serviced and fixing the snowplow.

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68 Clerk/Treasurer

69 - Mrs. Johnson said the 2025 Annual Report has been filed.

70 - The office has sent out letters to a couple of nuisance addresses, asking for voluntary  
71 compliance.

72 - Ms. Johnson asked if Council wanted to see each element of the updated comprehensive plan  
73 as she gets them from JUB, or if they would just like to review the whole plan before it's  
74 submitted. Mr. Fricke and Ms. Harnois requested one element at time.

75 - On behalf of Mr. Thompson, Public Works Director, Ms. Johnson told Council that he has maxed  
76 out his earned sick time and would like to transfer 80 hours to 40 hours of vacation time and  
77 cash the 40 hours of vacation time out.

78 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to allow Mr. Thompson to exchange the hours as**  
79 **requested. Mr. Fricke seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

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81 PUBLIC COMMENT - None

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83 APPROVE CHECKS

84 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve checks 19402-19415 and 2 EFTs for a total of \$33,484.04.**

85 **Mr. Fricke seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

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87 **Mr. Willms made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Fricke seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

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89 Meeting was adjourned at 8:19pm.

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Heidi Johnson, Clerk/Treasurer

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Carrie Roecks, Mayor