

**MINUTES**  
**ROY CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION**  
**Roy City Hall 3/27/2023 7:00 PM**

The mayor *pro tem* reported, on advice of legal counsel, some of the issues that have been discovered in the city clerk-treasurer's office. She invited audience questions and conducted informal discussion. Councilmembers reviewed information distributed and current vouchers.

**MINUTES**  
**ROY CITY COUNCIL REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Roy City Hall 3/27/2023 7:30 PM**

**1) CALL TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE/ABSENCE STATEMENT**

Mayor *pro tem* Starks called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Present: Councilmembers Clayton Grubb, Yvonne Starks, Harvey Gilchrist, Bill Starks; Police Officers Chris Johnson and Paul Antista; Public Works Director William Starks and Public Works Assistant Theron Perry.

**2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3) CONSENT CALENDAR:**

a) Minutes: March 13, 2023 regular council meeting

b) Vouchers:

Payroll transactions #381-387 and checks #E36383-E36384, total \$22,899.32

Claims checks #E36385-36404, total \$32,605.38

Motion to approve by Councilmember Gilchrist

Second by Councilmember Bill Starks

The motion passed unanimously.

**4) PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS: None**

**5) MILITARY UPDATE:**

**6) CITIZEN'S REQUEST TO BE HEARD:** Ken Dittbenner spoke in support of Mr. Rotondo's application for the open city council position. Following agenda item 11D, Mayor *pro tem* Starks read written comments submitted by Roy Community Lions stating appreciation for acting chief Johnson's efforts. Later in the meeting, representatives from the Roy Area Communications Network asked and were allowed to speak about their ham radio organization.

**7) PUBLIC HEARINGS: None**

**8) ORDINANCES: None**

## 9) RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 940

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROY, PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR *PRO TEM* TO SIGN AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF ROY AND PIERCE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE SERVICES

Acting Chief Johnson explained the need. Council desired clarification of the application of the hourly rate before reviewing again.

**10) OLD BUSINESS:** None

## 11) NEW BUSINESS:

**a)** Approve the mayor *pro tem's* prior designation of the Public Works Director as SEPA Responsible Official during the vacancy in the office of City Clerk-Treasurer

Motion to approve by Councilmember Bill Starks

Second by Councilmember Gilchrist

The motion passed unanimously.

**b)** Applicants for council vacancy

Ray Bourne, Brittany Grubb and James Rotondo submitted applications for Council Position 3. Ms. Grubb was not present. Councilmembers interviewed the other applicants separately.

**c) Executive Session:** As authorized by RCW 42.30.110(1)(h), the council will evaluate the qualifications of candidates for appointment to elective office. Council adjourned to executive session at 7:54 p.m. for ten minutes. Council reconvened at 8:04 p.m.

**d)** Appointment to Council Position 3 and oath of office

Motion to appoint James Rotondo to Position 3 of the Roy City Council by Councilmember Bill Starks

Second by Councilmember Gilchrist

The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor *pro tem* Starks administered the Oath of Office to James Rotondo.

**e)** In ADDITIONAL MATTERS taken up at this time, Mayor *pro tem* Starks asked the councilmembers to approve the continued pay of Officer Antista's salary during his L&I absence, although it is contrary to policy, but due to the fact that it was authorized to L&I by the city clerk-treasurer, identifying herself as the city administrator.

Motion to approve the continued pay of Officer Antista's salary during his L&I absence by Councilmember Gilchrist.

Second by Councilmember Grubb

The motion passed unanimously.

**12) REPORTS** None

**13) BUILDING PERMITS**

a) #2023-03 29308 81<sup>st</sup> Ave S, remove and replace gas furnace

**14) ADDITIONAL MATTERS**

a) Employment actions memorandum

See also 11e above.

**15) EXECUTIVE SESSION:** See 11c above

**16) ADJOURNMENT** Mayor *pro tem* Starks adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_, Public Works Director  
William Starks

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_, Mayor *pro tem*  
Yvonne Starks

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