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Rockford Town Council Regular Meeting April 16, 2025, 7pm

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Mayor Roecks called the regular meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call took place. Those present were Mayor Carrie Roecks, and Councilmembers Tim Fricke, Micki Harnois, Walt Whitman and Kevin Willms. Public Works' Dave Thompson was also in attendance.

Ms. Harnois made a motion to excuse Clint Stevenson from the meeting, Mr. Fricke seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Fricke made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Ms. Harnois seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ms. Harnois made a motion to approve the minutes of the 04/02/2025 regular meeting. Mr. Fricke seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Frog Regatta will be on 4/26/2025. Hot dogs in the park at 1pm and frogs drop at 3pm.
- The Public Hearing for the Six Year Transportation Plan will be 05/07 at 7pm.
- The Women's Club will be cleaning up Pioneer Corner on 04/26 at 9am.

COUNCIL REPORTS

- Ms. Harnois is on the Partners for Rural Washington board, for which she attended a meeting in Yakima.
- Ms. Harnois spoke with Spokane County Community Development and Housing admins, and they may be able to help complete an income survey for Rockford.
- Ms. Harnois spoke to Partners for Rural Washington of other topics that affect the five South Spokane County towns.

PLANNING COMMISSION

- Gregg Tenner, Planning Commission President, said that Julie Hoffmeyer came to the Planning Commission meeting last night and he would highly recommend her for a Planning Commission position.
- Mr. Tenner said that the resident at the end of River Street has moved into the valley and is selling his property. He also said that the Planning Commission will be involved with the Comprehensive Plan updates.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ms. Harnois asked what type of tree Council or staff would want for the Arbor Day celebration on 04/25. The ceremony will be held at 3pm at Pioneer Park

PUBLIC COMMENT

Lorrie Engle reported that the fair auction made over \$62,000 this year, about \$10,000 more than last year.

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

NEW BUSINESS

- Ms. Roecks recommended appointing Julie Hoffmeyer as the newest Planning Commission member. Council agreed. Mr. Tenner will let Ms. Hoffmeyer know that she has been confirmed.
- JUB Planners will be attending the May 7th Council Meeting to discuss Goals and Objectives of town to include in the Comprehensive Plan update.
- Spokane County is updating their Hazard Mitigation plan and Rockford needs to send a letter of intent and to designate a point of contact.
 - Mr. Fricke made a motion to agree to the letter to participate in the Spokane County Hazard Mitigation plan partnership. Mr. Whitman seconded the motion. Motion carried. Mr. Fricke made a motion to appoint Micki Harnois as a point of contact, and Mr. Fricke as the alternate for the Hazard Mitigation plan. Mr. Whitman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - Mr. Whitman made a motion to approve a rate of \$30.00/hour for the Spokane County Hazard Mitigation partnership for in-kind services. Mr. Fricke seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Ms. Roecks completed a nuisance letter to the O'Neal property. This includes a list of nuisances and voluntary abatement dates. The town attorney, the sheriff's department, the Department of Health and the Department of Ecology may need to get involved.

STAFF REPORTS

Public Works

- Mr. Thompson said that the Weaver Street project contractors were supposed to come pothole the road to test for compaction today. They did not, due to a house fire on Weaver.
- Spokane County Road Dept has been in contact with Mr. Thompson regarding the TIB grants, which are set to be completed this summer. This included crack sealing on several different streets in town.
- Mr. Thompson has not heard much back regarding the grader at Western States, other than that there are additional parts that need to be replaced.
- The ballpark and rodeo grounds are being addressed and cleaned up.
- Paul Sifford came and did "sludge judging" on the lagoons. Lagoon 3 is getting close to needing to be cleaned.

Clerk/Treasurer

- Mr. Thompson gave the Treasurer's Report for Mrs. Johnson. The total amount in all funds at the end of March was \$820,173.54.
- The State Auditor is currently working with Rockford. They will need to meet with a councilmember to do a risk assessment. Mr. Fricke and Ms. Harnois volunteered.
- Mr. Thompson is at his max for earned sick time. He would like to trade in 80 hours of sick time for 40 hours of vacation, per policy.
 - Mr. Fricke made a motion to allow Mr. Thompson to trade in his sick time for vacation time. Mr. Whitman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None APPROVE CHECKS

Mr. Whitman made a motion to approve checks 18953-18969 and 4 EFTs for a total of \$49,548.16. Mr. Whitman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Willms made a motion to adjourn the me carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:53pm.	eeting. Mr. Whitman seconded the motion. Motion
Heidi Johnson, Clerk/Treasurer	Carrie Roecks, Mayor