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Rockford Town Council Regular Meeting September 21, 2022, 7pm

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Mayor Roecks called the regular meeting to order at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call took place. Those present were Mayor Carrie Roecks and Councilmembers Clint Stevenson, Tim Fricke. Micki Harnois and Walt Whitman. Council Clerk/Treasurer Heidi Johnson and Public Works' Dave Thompson were also in attendance.

Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Mr. Fricke seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve the minutes from the 09/07/2022 regular meeting. Mr. Whitman seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Planning Commission accepting applications.
- Southeast Spokane County Fair September 23-25.
- Tree drop-off site closed 09/15.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Ms. Harnois reported that the Comprehensive Plan will require an update in 2026. There may be some planning grant money available for consultants through the Department of Commerce.

COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS - None

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

Ms. Roecks stated that there will be a \$20,000 donation for the town to start updating the ballpark. A resolution will need to be passed in order to accept the donation.

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Whitman asked if some of the tree stumps in the pull-out area near the Mica Creek Bridge can be marked before people try to park there during fair weekend. Mr. Thompson said he will take care of it.

Automatic Water Readers

Mr. Stevenson made a motion to accept the base bid and additional alternative #1 from Correct Equipment to replace the water meters. Ms. Harnois seconded the motion. Mr. Whitman asked if the remaining ARP money would be set aside to complete the project. Mrs. Johnson said yes, additional materials should be purchased with the remaining funds.

Council Position #5

Mr. Stevenson made a motion to appoint Kevin Willms to vacated Council Position #5. Mr. Whitman seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

Pre-application Conference

Town Staff, Mayor Roecks and several other agencies attended a pre-application conference on 09/19 to discuss a potential development, Rockford PRD, with Black Diamond Construction. The town's planning consultants, SCJ Alliance, suggested a joint workshop with JUB Engineers, the Planning Commission and Council to discuss this development in concept relative to the town's Comprehensive Plan and thoughts on community character. Mrs. Johnson was asked to schedule this meeting for 07/29 at 7pm.

STAFF REPORTS

Public Works

- Mr. Thompson said that they have been working on water leaks, storm clean-up/tree removal and getting ready for the fair.

Clerk/Treasurer

- Lamar, who leases the land for the billboard near Frednecks, has approached staff about replacing the billboard after the storm and updating the terms of the lease. They would like to have a 20-year lease at \$1200/year with a 10% increase every 5 years once the new billboard is in place. Council agreed that these terms seemed fair and would like them to draft a lease. Mrs. Johnson said she will follow-up Lamar.
- Mrs. Johnson reported that Spokane County/Department of Ecology will allow for reimbursement for payment to contractors, wages and mileage, per the recently adopted MOU.
- Mrs. Johnson asked Mr. Fricke if he would ask the McIntosh Grange if they would be interested in donating or selling the grange hall to the town. Mr. Fricke said he would ask.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Resident Ivan Willmschen said he would like to personally thank Dave Thompson for trimming the tree back on Weaver and Emma, which has caused so much contention.

APPROVE CHECKS

Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve checks 17696-17709 for a total of \$14,053.34. Mr. Fricke seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

Mr. Stevenson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Fricke seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:46pm.

Heidi Johnson, Clerk/Treasurer	Carrie Roecks, Mayor