

1 **Rockford Town Council Regular Meeting**
2 **October 1, 2025, 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 with the Pledge of Allegiance.
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10 Roll call took place. Those present were Mayor Carrie Roecks, and Councilmembers Clint Stevenson, Tim
11 Fricke, Walt Whitman and Kevin Willms. Public Works' Dave Thompson and Clerk/Treasurer Heidi Johnson
12 were also in attendance.
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14 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to excuse Micki Harnois from the meeting. Mr. Whitman seconded the**
15 **motion. Motion carried.**
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17 **Mr. Fricke made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Whitman seconded the motion. Motion carried.**
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19 **Mr. Whitman made a motion to approve the minutes of the 09/17/2025 regular meeting. Ms. Fricke**
20 **seconded the motion. Motion carried.**
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22 Scott Simmons, Spokane County CEO

23 Mr. Simmons attended the meeting to discuss renewing the expired interlocal agreement that the town has
24 with Spokane County Regional Animal Protection Service. He introduced Chris Miller, SCRAPS Field
25 Operations Manager and Nick Hobbs Doyle, Shelter Operations Manager. Fairfield's mayor, David Rafferty,
26 and Town Clerk, Jared Harwood joined the meeting via Microsoft Teams. There was discussion between the
27 SCRAPS team and the two towns about the proposed increase of cost for the agreement and lack of service
28 for animal control in the rural areas. Mr. Simmons and Mr. Miller spoke about the new financial structure
29 SCRAPS is introducing, as well as what could be expected about a higher level of service and
30 communication from the SCRAPS team. The towns and the SCRAPS team agree that better communication
31 and monthly data is key to resolving most of the issues. The SCRAPS team promised more information will
32 soon be coming to Fairfield and Rockford's clerks. No decisions were made regarding accepting a new ILA.
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34 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 35 - McIntosh Grange will be hosting their annual Halloween Party and Trunk or Treat on October
36 31st from 6-8pm.
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38 **COUNCIL REPORTS - None**

39 **PLANNING COMMISSION**

- 40 - No updates, next meeting will be held on 10/07 at 7pm. Spokane County will be speaking about
41 a Climate Vulnerability Assessment at their 11/4 meeting.
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43 **COMMITTEE REPORTS - None**

44 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- 45 - Lorrie Engle said the fair was great and thanked the town for all their help this year. Mr.
46 Stevenson suggested better entrance security, or checking coolers during the truck pulls.
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48 **ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS - None**

49 **OLD BUSINESS - None**

50 **NEW BUSINESS**

51 Mr. Stevenson suggested negotiating the price for new contract with SCRAPS. Mr. Fricke suggested tabling
52 any other discussion about the SCRAPS agreement until the next meeting.
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54 STAFF REPORTS

55 Public Works

- 56 - Mr. Thompson reported that the street signs for First and Emma Streets have been installed.
- 57 - Mr. Thompson said that Public Works has been busy catching up on daily items since
- 58 completing the Lake Street project and focusing on the fair. This includes tree trimming and
- 59 smoothing the gravel edges from the new road surfaces on Pacific, Weaver and River Streets.
- 60 - Ms. Roecks asked Public Works to trim the rest of the trees along the park on First Street.
- 61 - Mr. Thompson said the sprinkler system at Hughes Field is still being worked on and that the
- 62 grader is working great.
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64 Clerk/Treasurer

- 65 - The past due list was reviewed.
- 66 - **Mr. Fricke made a motion to approve the September Utility Bill Adjustment Report. Mr.**
- 67 **Stevenson seconded the motion. Motion carried.**
- 68 - Mrs. Johnson said that the County has approved the use of the remaining ARPA funds that were
- 69 left over from the Weaver Street sewer project. The amount of \$41,068.60 will be used to
- 70 reimburse the town for the East Lake Street Sewer Project.
- 71 - Mrs. Johnson reported that the insurance assessment for 2026 went down about \$11k.
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73 PUBLIC COMMENT - None

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75 APPROVE CHECKS

76 **Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve checks 19183-19198 and 6 EFTs for a total of \$24,358.45.**

77 **Mr. Whitman seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

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79 **Mr. Willms made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Stevenson seconded the motion. Motion**

80 **carried.**

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82 Meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm.

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Heidi Johnson, Clerk/Treasurer

Carrie Roecks, Mayor