



**CITY OF ROYAL CITY
COUNCIL MINUTES
November 19, 2024**

The City Council of the City of Royal City, Grant County, Washington, met in regular session on November 19, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Christensen.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Christensen, Councilmembers Stanton Fanning, Perla Garcia, Ryan Piercy and Rick Kannely.

A motion was made to excuse Councilmember Rodriguez, (m/s Kannely/Garcia), the motion carried.

STAFF PRESENT: Finance Director Janice Flynn, Public Works Director John Lasen and Police Chief Rey Rodriguez

PRESENTATIONS

- None

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Jen Jenks offered to put up a tree for lighting at Lion's Park as part of holiday season decorations. Council approved.

CONSENT AGENDA: A motion was made to approve the consent agenda as presented, (m/s Garcia/Fanning), the motion carried.

Items on the Consent Agenda are as follows:

- Council Meeting Minutes from November 05, 2024
- Payroll 11/15/2024 in the amount of \$30,480.77
- Claims for 11/19/2024 #31803 – 31817 in the amount of \$41,350.20

PUBLIC HEARING

- A public hearing started at 7:08 pm to take comment on the 2025 Final Budget
 - o There was no public comment
 - o There was Council discussion
 - o The public hearing ended at 7:19 pm and the regular meeting resumed

STAFF REPORTS

Finance: The following was presented by Janice Flynn

- General business
- New Well No. 5 funding app. There was discussion. **A motion was made to approve a commitment of City funds, not to exceed \$250,000.00, for preconstruction costs. (m/s Kannely/Garcia), the motion carried.**

Police Department: The following was presented by Chief Rodriguez

- General business
- Request for additional officer. There was discussion. Council declined to approve at this time.
- K9 program update. Officer Soelter will complete training this week.

Public Works: The following was presented by John Lasen

- Contract with Bureau of Reclamation for park water - There was discussion. **A motion was made to approve the Mayor to sign the contract pending review and approval by the City attorney, (m/s Piercy/Stanton), the motion carried.**
- Signage for the Dog Park - There was discussion regarding the sign presented by Heather Jenks. Signage approved with two changes. John will discuss with Ms. Jenks.

ORDINANCES

- None

RESOLUTIONS

- None

Planning & Building:

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Legal:

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COUNCIL REPORT & COMMENTS –

- There was discussion regarding the 2024 holiday schedule. Council approved one additional day off, with pay, for each employee during the Christmas holiday. Day to be taken on Dec 24 or Dec 26.

MAYOR'S REPORT & COMMENTS –

- Executive session per RCW 42.30.110 (g) to evaluate qualifications of an applicant for employment was called for fifteen minutes and began at 8:45. At 9:00 the

session was extended ten minutes. Executive session ended at 9:10.

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ADJOURNMENT

- There being no further business a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:11 pm (m/s Garcia/Fanning) the motion carried.

Michael Christensen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Janice Flynn, Finance Director