



**CITY OF ROYAL CITY  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
December 03, 2024**

The City Council of the City of Royal City, Grant County, Washington, met in regular session on December 03, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Christensen.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Christensen, Councilmembers Perla Garcia, Hector Rodriguez and Ryan Piercy.

**A motion was made to excuse Councilmembers Fanning and Kannelly. (m/s Garcia/Piercy), the motion carried.**

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

**PRESENTATIONS**

- Rita Morfin and Amber McCoy made a presentation on behalf of Grant County Health District regarding their request to renew the current ILA. There was discussion. Council will make a decision at a later date.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

- None

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

Items on the Consent Agenda are as follows:

- Council Meeting Minutes from November 19, 2024
- Payroll 11/30/2024 in the amount of \$60,499.93
- Claims for 12/03/2024 #31818 – 31834 in the amount of \$61,002.18

**PUBLIC HEARING**

- None

**ORDINANCES**

- None

**RESOLUTIONS**

- None

## STAFF REPORTS

**Finance:** The following was presented by Janice Flynn

- An amendment will be needed for the 2024 budget
- Water & Sewer rate increase for 2025. There was discussion. **A motion was made to approve an increase of water and sewer rates by 2%. There was discussion. An amended motion was made to table the previous motion until the December 17, 2024 meeting.** (m/s Rodriguez/Piercy), the amended motion carried.
- COLA increases for employees. There was discussion. A decision will be made at the December 17, 2024 meeting.
- **A motion was made to approve one extra day off for each employee during the Christmas holiday. There was discussion. The office will be closed on December 26, 2024.** There will be flexibility for the police officers to accommodate their work schedules. (m/s Rodriguez/Piercy), the motion carried.

**Police Department:** The following was presented by Chief Rodriguez

- General business
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**Public Works:** The following was presented by John Lasen

- We have been awarded TIB funding for the reconstruction of Apple Avenue from Road 13 to Poplar.
- General business including the possibility of a fall yard waste pick up day.

**Planning & Building:** The following was presented by Alex Kovach

- General business
- Civil engineering plans for the Pratt Hills Development have been received. Anderson Perry to review. John to contact Anderson Perry regarding a Task Order.

**Legal:** The following was presented by Katherine Kenison

- Clean Harbors contract – There was discussion. Katherine will reach out again to Clean Harbors. John Lasen will make contact regarding the cost of preliminary ground testing.
- Bureau of Reclamation contract regarding the park project. Katherine will review.
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## COUNCIL REPORT & COMMENTS –

- Councilmember Rodriguez presented the possibility of extending Wildflower Street

to connect with Poarch. There was discussion. Council will continue discussions at a later date.

**MAYOR'S REPORT & COMMENTS –**

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**ADJOURNMENT**

- There being no further business a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 pm (m/s Piercy/Garcia) the motion carried.

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Michael Christensen, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Janice Flynn, Finance Director