



**CITY OF ROYAL CITY  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
March 18, 2025**

The City Council of the City of Royal City, Grant County, Washington, met in regular session on March 18, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Pro Tempore Piercy.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Pro Tempore Pierce, Councilmembers Stanton Fanning, Perla Garcia, Hector Rodriguez and Rick Kannely.

**A motion was made to excuse Mayor Christensen. (m/s Garcia/Fanning), the motion carried.**

**STAFF PRESENT:** Finance Director Janice Flynn, Police Chief Rodriguez and Public Works Director Curt Carpenter

**PRESENTATIONS**

- None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Gary & Susan Piercy attended on behalf of the Friends of the Library with an update on the completion plans for the parking area and exterior of the library building. They should have funds to pave the entire exterior of the library site. They plan to install a fence across the south property line. They will need to procure a permit from the City for the fence. Pedestrian access from the library to the existing park would still be available. There was Council discussion regarding parking for the Moose Lodge and emergency vehicle access.
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**CONSENT AGENDA: A motion was made to approve the consent agenda as presented, (m/s Garcia/Piercy), the motion carried.**

Items on the Consent Agenda are as follows:

- Council Meeting Minutes from March 04, 2025
- Payroll 03/15/2025 in the amount of \$33,316.71
- Claims for 03/18/2025 #31963 – 31977 in the amount of \$22,186.01

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

- None
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## **ORDINANCES**

- None

## **RESOLUTIONS**

- None

## **STAFF REPORTS**

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

- Semiquincentennial of America in 2026 – Celebration of the Country’s 250<sup>th</sup> birthday is beginning with Paul Revere’s ride on April 18<sup>th</sup>. Do we want to promote or encourage Royal City celebrations? There was Council discussion. Janice Flynn will reach out to SHOC and Councilman Kannely will speak with Royal School District Superintendent Trail regarding same.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Party water/sewer utility rate study – Recommend considering hiring a 3<sup>rd</sup> party to complete a study to determine future water and sewer rates. A specialist in this field will be able to determine costs to sufficiently anticipate future needs and upgrades of the water and sewer systems. Curt Carpenter agreed. There was Council discussion. Curt will contact Anderson Perry to determine timeframes and costs of a study.
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**Police Department:** The following was presented by Chief Rodriguez

- General business
- Request for Officer Farias to attend a two-day Firearms Handgun Instructor recertification in Spokane in April 2025. Tuition is \$850. Recertification is required every two years. **A motion was made to approve Officer Farias attending the Firearms Handgun Instructor recertification. (m/s Garcia/Fanning) the motion carried.**
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**Public Works:** The following was presented by Curt Carpenter

- Park Irrigation Pump Station Update – Pump is installed, manhole and other needed items ordered.
- Notice to Proceed received from RCO for the soccer field. Need to decide on date

and time for ribbon cutting ceremony.

- Quality Controls Corp - **A motion was made to approve an amended amount for the Quality Controls Corp for SCADA and controls upgrades. The original amount presented was \$32,000.00. The amended amount is \$54,000.00. (m/s Fanning/Garcia) the motion carried.**

**Planning & Building:**

- None
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**Legal:**

- None
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**COUNCIL REPORT & COMMENTS –**

- Mayor Pro Tempore Piercy reported on visiting the Open Doors Sleep Center in Moses Lake. It is believed the Center is attracting homeless from outside Grant County.
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**MAYOR’S REPORT & COMMENTS –**

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**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 pm (m/s Kannely/Garcia) the motion carried.

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Ryan Piercy, Mayor Pro Tempore

ATTEST:

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Janice Flynn, Finance Director