



**CITY OF ROYAL CITY
COUNCIL MINUTES
July 15, 2025**

The City Council of the City of Royal City, Grant County, Washington, met in regular session on July 15, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Christensen.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Christensen, Councilmembers Fanning, Rodriguez, Piercy and Kannely. **A motion was made to excuse Councilmember Garcia, (m/s Fanning/Piercy), the motion carried.**

STAFF PRESENT: Public Works Director Mauricio Romero, Finance Director Janice Flynn and Chief Rodriguez.

PRESENTATIONS

- Curt Carpenter w/NW Turf Solutions discussed the Soccer Field project. NWTS has laser graded much of the park expansion area (west of the soccer field) and will provide grass seed for this area. If sod is used, they will also extend the placement of sod approximately 20' west of the soccer field and modify the sprinklers to accommodate the additional sod. All of this will be done at no additional cost to the City. Curt expressed concern regarding Public Works being able to take on the additional maintenance workload if the soccer field was hydroseeded. There was discussion. **A motion was made to rescind the motion made at the July 1, 2025 Council meeting to award the soccer field project to NWTS with the hydroseed option and the Mayor to sign the Notice of Award, (m/s Kannely/Fanning), the motion carried.**
- **A motion was made to award the Soccer Field project to NW Turf Solutions with the sod option and the Mayor to sign the Notice of Award, (m/s Kannely/Rodriguez), the motion carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENT – Comments were received and summarized below

- None

CONSENT AGENDA: **A motion was made to approve the consent agenda as presented and the Coleman Oil bill for July 1-15 for customary charges, when received,**

(m/s Kannely/Rodriguez), the motion carried.

Items on the Consent Agenda are as follows:

- Council Meeting Minutes from July 01, 2025
- Payroll 07/15/2025 in the amount of \$46,125.06
- Claims for 07/15/2025 #32108 – 32137 in the amount of \$101,1119.47

PUBLIC HEARING

- None

ORDINANCES

- None
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RESOLUTIONS

- Resolution 25-01 **A motion was made to adopt Resolution 25-01, A Resolution of the City Council Amending Its Personnel Policies Regarding On-Call/Standby Pay as presented,** (m/s Piercy/Fanning), the motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS

Finance: The following was presented by Janice Flynn

- Notice from Royal City Friends of the Library terminating their lease effective July 15, 2025. The signed final inspection for the new library was also submitted. **A motion was made to accept the lease termination notice and accept the new library building as an asset to be owned and maintained by the City,** (m/s Piercy/Fanning), the motion carried.
- Garbage Rates – It appears it is time to increase rates for garbage service to ensure covering costs as well as having a sufficient expense reserve. This will be reviewed and specifics presented at a meeting in the near future.

Police Department: The following was presented by Chief Rodriguez

- General business
- Surplus and destruction of Dell Model XPS 8940 computer as it is no longer in working condition. **A motion was made to surplus and destroy a Dell Model XPS 8940 computer,** (m/s Piercy/Fanning), the motion carried.
- New on-call pay policy in Resolution 25-01 as prepared by City attorney. There was discussion. Resolution was adopted as indicated above.

Public Works: The following was presented by Mauricio Romero

- General Business

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Planning & Building: None

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Legal: None

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COUNCIL REPORT & COMMENTS –

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MAYOR’S REPORT & COMMENTS –

- Mayor Christensen asked Council to review the salary comparisons they were provided so adjustments can be made.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion made to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 pm. (Piercy), Motion carried unanimously.

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Michael Christensen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Janice Flynn, Finance Director