## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MAY 20, 2025 6:00 p.m. COMMUNITY CENTER

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Mayor Rafferty called the regular council meeting to order at 6:01 pm and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council members present were Brady Collinson, Josh Boyd, Bill Enzler, and Amanda Blood. Others present were Sue Adams, Richard Ralidis, Diane Kooyman, Terry Phillips, Devin Billington, and Jared Harward.

### **Excusal of Council Absences**

#### **ACTION**

Amanda Blood moved to excuse Alisha from tonight's council meeting; this was seconded by Bill Enzler. The motion passed 4 - 0.

## Correspondence and/or Guest

Sue Adams offered to research and pursue grants for a pickleball court in Hart Park. Sue has previously worked as clerk for the town and has experience in grant writing. She will work closely with Jared, so he can learn the process. Grants applications being pursued will be for the year 2026.

Terry Phillips asked on behalf of John Cory if 11 chairs from the community center could be used for the Memorial Day celebration in Thiel Park on May 26<sup>th</sup>. The council approved this request and did not require a formal motion.

Bandy York asked for approval from the town to use Thiel Park and the gazebo again this year for the Fairfield Farmer's Market.

### **ACTION**

Brady Collinson moved to authorize use of Thiel Park and the gazebo for the 2025 Fairfield Farmer's Market; this was seconded by Josh Boyd. The motion passed 4-0.

The Fairfield Farmer's Market will happen on the 2nd Thursday of each month in June, July, and August.

#### **Public Comments**

There was no public comment tonight.

### **PCIB**

The PCIB reviewed and recommended that a letter be sent to the residence in town that currently has a horse stabled in the backyard. The ordinance regarding large animals' states that the lot size must be a minimum of I acre to allow an animal of this class & weight.

## **ACTION**

Bill Enzler moved to endorse the PCIB's recommendation and send an official letter notifying the residence of the infraction; this was seconded by Amanda Blood. The motion passed 4 - 0.

### Old Business

#### **SCRAPS - Feral Cats**

Jenny Waters and a party that wished to remain anonymous have opened an official case with SCRAPS regarding the large amount of feral cats located at a house on SR27 just south of Main Street.

#### **New Business**

### Comprehensive Plan Kickoff Meeting

As part of the 2026 Comprehensive Plan update the council is to review and respond with any comments regarding the first draft presented by JUB. Comments must be received by Tuesday, May 27th.

## **Public Works**

Devin and Jared would like the council to review the idea of going from pay dates every other week to the 5<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. Doing so would eliminate the need for an additional report to be filed by the town clerk with the Dept. of Retirement every

other month and save office time and money. The council asked Jared to create a draft to be reviewed at the next council meeting
on June 17 <sup>th</sup> .

Sewer:

Streets:

Parks:

Water:

General:

# **Approval of Minutes**

#### **ACTION**

Amanda Blood moved to approve the minutes from the council meeting held on May 6, 2025; this was seconded by Brady Collinson. The motion passed 4 - 0.

## **Approval of Claims**

#### **ACTION**

Alisha Anderson made a motion, and Bill Enzler seconded to approve the May 20, 2025 claims with EFTs in the total amount of 6,208.08 and checks numbered 21967 - 21973 for 5,778.63. This motion was approved 4 - 0.

Date	05-20-2025
Claims	\$3,988.25
Payroll	\$7,998.46
Total Paid	\$11,986,71

Check register signed by Amanda Blood, Brady Collinson, and Josh Boyd.

#### Compliments, Concerns and Complaints

Multiple residents have mentioned to Jared at town hall how good the parks look and commended Public Works on the excellent work they are doing keeping them up.

#### **Dates to Remember**

Memorial Day Celebration	May 26
Fairfield Food Co-op Workshop	June 6
WMCA Training – Jared	June 8 - 13
Flag Day	lune 14

## **Executive Session**

RCW 42.30.110(g) To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee.

### **Adjourn**

Brady Collinson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 pm.

Brady Collinson, Mayor Pro-Tem

Jared Jarward Clerk Treasurer