

CITY OF REPUBLIC
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
March 17, 2025

Those Present:

Council: Mayor: Gabe Becklin, Council Members: Liz Stinson, Marty Rugo, Mari Jo Olsen, Eric Hulse, Jim Burnside

Employees: Clerk-Treasurer Nick Olsen, Deputy Clerk Robyn Turcotte & Public Works Director/Building Official Todd Cole

Meeting Called to Order: 5:00 pm

Roll Call: All Present

Agenda Approval:

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion by Jim, seconded by Eric.

Consent Agenda:

- Review Minutes for March 3, 2025
- Review payroll check #'s & Benefit's EBT Amount 4397-\$831.15
- Review accounts payable check #'s & amount - 65565-65589-\$101,558.33
- Review County Transmittal - \$9,741.61

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion to approve the Consent Agenda by Liz, seconded by Mari Jo.

Public Comment:

Emily Burt- Provided an update on the library building project. The recent member retreat was productive, leading to the development of "Plan B," which proposes a simpler yet functional design while maintaining the necessary accommodations. Due to setbacks with federal funding, FORL may require a one-year extension on the deed. All library-related inquiries should be directed to the committee president.

Correspondence:

Sunrise Disposal announced they will be offering an 8-yard cardboard dumpster for commercial businesses in the area.

Old Business: No Old Business

New Business: No New Business

Ordinances / Resolution:

- Resolution 2025-01 Updated personnel Policy was tabled until the next meeting.
- Resolution 2025-02 Old Debt - This resolution addresses old debt in the amount of \$3,368.52 related to utility accounts over six years old.

Motion: Unanimous approval for Resolution 2025-02 Old Debt in the amount of \$3,368.52 in 6 years and older utility accounts. Motion by Marty, seconded by Liz.

Department Head Reports:

Todd Cole- Public Works Director/ Building Inspector- Todd reported on the following:

- Main Sewer Line Issues – Grease buildup is causing problems in the system.
- Grease Trap Requirements’ – Any establishment that prepares food will be required to install grease traps. A letter will be delivered to each business, as per Ordinance 85-2 (13.04.080 – Discharge Prohibited). Establishments will have 30 days to comply.

Nick Olsen – Clerk-Treasurer- Nick reported on the following:

- Security Force Applications – Due by March 20, 2025, with potential hiring by May 1, 2025.
- Special Meeting – Tentatively scheduled for April 10, 2025, to interview security firms.

Mayor/ Council Reports:

Gabe Becklin- Gabe reported on the following:

- Spoke with the Ferry County Prosecutor and is awaiting a response regarding the City/County Courts/Prosecutor contract.

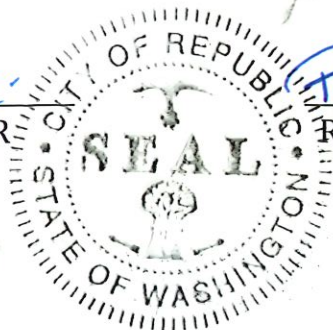
Mari Jo Olsen – Mari Jo reported on the following:

- Requested that the Library’s positive developments story be included in the weekly “Letter from the Desk of the Mayor.”
- Job Corps Community Project – The entire Job Corps campus will be in Republic from June 2 to June 6, 2025, to assist with city cleanup projects. The city will provide lunch in the park for the participants.

Motion: The meeting adjourned at 5:25 PM following a motion by Liz, seconded by Marty.

ATTEST:


GABE BECKLIN- MAYOR




ROBYN TURCOTTE- DEPUTY CLERK