

**Town of Garfield
TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
March 26, 2025 – 7:00 P.M.
405 W California St.**

ROLL CALL: Mayor Jarrod Pfaff, Council Members: Jason Bankus, Andrea Mills, Craig Mitzimberg, Roni Mundell, and Connie Schaut. **Staff:** Clerk/Treasurer: DonNell Ellsworth.
Public Works: Monty Rojas

REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING: Regular Meeting was opened at 6:58 P.M.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

LARRY TRIGGS: Not attendance.

JAMES MACNAUGHTON: James inquired about the requirements for potentially funding the completion of Main Street. Mayor Pfaff explained that years ago, the town established specifications in the codebook outlining the requirements for building a street in Garfield. James is welcome to proceed with the project; however, it must be completed in accordance with the recorded specifications. James stated that he would contact DonNell once he decides whether to move forward with the project.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

Connie Schaut **MOVED** to approve the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting on March 12, 2025. Andrea Mills **seconded the motion, and the motion was carried unanimously.**

POLICE REPORT:

Marshal Handley was not present at the meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:

Monty Rojas was present at the meeting.

Water and Sewer

Monty informed the council of a leaking water valve on South Hill. Repairs will be scheduled once the weather improves. Monty and Walt will install a valve on the hydrant closest to the current leak.

Repairs are underway on the gearbox for the trickling filter, with Mayor Pfaff also assisting in the process.

To ensure compliance with the Washington Department of Commerce, Monty will be sending additional PFA testing samples to Anatek Labs.

The town is currently reaching out to concrete businesses to obtain bids for a concrete slab at the wastewater treatment plant. Monty will provide the council with updates as more information becomes available.

Garbage

There is nothing to report at this time.

Street/Park

There is nothing to report at this time.

OLD BUSINESS:

There is nothing to report at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 2025-01: APPROVAL OF CONTRACTED WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATOR, DAVID TYSZ: Connie Schaut **MOVED** to approve **Resolution 2025-01**, Approval to hire contracted wastewater treatment plant operator, David Tysz and approve the contract agreed upon by the town and David Tysz. Andrea Mills **seconded the motion, and the motion was carried unanimously.**

Craig Mitzimberg suggested that the town consider applying for a .09 grant from Whitman County. He proposed that if the town proceeds with the application, they request funding to install heating in the park bathroom for year-round use and to replace the asphalt on the park's walking path. Mayor Pfaff stated that DonNell could look into the grant opportunity, and Andrea volunteered to assist with the presentation.

FINANCIAL: Approval of Checks

Andrea Mills **MOVED** to approve payment of bills. Craig Mitzimberg **seconded the motion, and the motion was carried unanimously.**

Payroll:

Checks: 16583-16587 PLUS EFTPS

Total = \$7,299.21

Claims:

Checks: 16582 and 16588-16596 PLUS EFT DOR

Total = \$30,634.17


Total Claims and Payroll = \$37,933.38

ADJOURN:

Jason Bankus **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting. Andrea Mills **seconded the motion, and the motion was carried unanimously.** The council meeting was adjourned at 7:18 P.M.


Jarrod Pfaff – Mayor

ATTEST:


DonNell Ellsworth – Clerk/Treasurer