# Rockville Town Council Regular Meeting Rockville Town Hall August 13, 2025 – 6:00 pm

- CALL TO ORDER-ROLL CALL: Mayor Leach called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The following Town Council members were present: Michael Evenson, Robin Smith, Megan Honer-Orton, Jeff Ballard and Mayor Pam Leach. The Town Attorney Matt Ekins was also in attendance. Town Clerk Shelley Cox recorded the meeting.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Leach led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- <u>APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:</u> Megan Honer-Orton MOVED to approve the agenda for this meeting. Michael Evenson SECONDED the motion.

### **VOTE on Motion:**

Michael Evenson: Aye Robin Smith: Aye Megan Honer-Orton: Aye Mayor Leach: Aye Jeff Ballard: Aye

The motion PASSED unanimously.

4. <u>DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITH AN AGENDA ITEM.</u> No conflicts were declared.

## **DISCUSSION/INFORMATION/NON-ACTION ITEMS**

5. REPORT ON HURRICANE VALLEY FIRE SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT – CHIEF TYLER AMES Chief Ames reported for incidents last month for July, there were Twenty-Three (23) in Springdale, three (3) in Rockville, and nine (9) in Zion National Park. Last month was our second busiest month with just under 600 calls total throughout the District. He said luckily there has not been any big fires break out. Any fires that have happened we've been able to get to them quickly. He felt like people are being much more aware with stuff going on.

Tyler Ames said he had just come from Springdale Town Council meeting, where they had asked questions regarding the new tax rate. He explained to the Council about the new tax increase. He said last fall the Fire District had the truth and taxation hearings and adopted a higher tax rate for their portion of the Property tax. When they approached the County Commissioners they approved it up to 54% of the old rate. Chief Decker went back and was able to reduce that actual tax rate requested down to 38%. He said for 2024 it was .000699. In 2025 with the 38% increase it would be roughly .000964. He said the importance is we've had some people question the higher charges. Councilman Aton, in Springdale, looked into this he found his bill had a 48%- 49% increase. The reason for that would be the property assessment of homes. If your taxes on your home went up significantly, it would be that your home was re-evaluated and had increased in value, however our portion of the tax rate increase was only 38%. He asked does that kind of make sense. When Chief Decker was figuring out all the numbers and what we needed, he was basing that off 2024 property assessment values. Matt Ekins asked in regard to the truth and taxation. This was more of a discussion last year. He asked if there has been any progress on the legislative side? He said he knew they were hoping they would not need the rate increase with some additional funding coming from the State. Has there

within the area and fire suppression. He explained that a building permit was issued to the Lowe Home, currently under construction on Grafton Road, to build a home. They do not have a share of culinary water; they only have a well. The International Building Code requires a fire hydrant within 250'. The Lowe's paid for the fire hydrant to be built on their property when the Pipeline Company wanted to put it out on the road for others to use, but to follow the Fire District requirement installed it near the home on private property. When the permit was approved by the Planning Commission the Lowe's were reminded they could not tie into the fire hydrant for anything due to not owning a water share in the company. The construction company building the home requested a fire flow test, which the Fire District conducted. The test was done and found the water pressure was not up to the required 1000 gallons per minute with the hydrant only putting out 600 gallons per minute. To follow what the Fire District required, they installed a fire sprinkler system in their home. The contractor then tied it into the fire hydrant. This caused problems for the pipeline when an inspection was requested by the contractor to finish tapping into the fire hydrant. Rob Snyder said the pipeline had not approved the connection at all. Rob Snyder said in the building permit there's a page that the homeowner was to sign that acknowledged an inadequate fire flow. This signature page had been required for many years as a waiver/acknowledgement regarding the water pressure being so low. The walvers were Area #1 for those outside the Rockville Pipeline Service Area #2 for those within the service area with a water connection. The document had been required since 2009. When the permit for this home was approved there was a previous contractor which signed the waiver but had been removed. The current contractor was unaware of this requirement waiver. The original waiver/acknowledgement mentioned the Springdale/Rockville Fire Department and has not been updated since the Town joined with the Hurricane Valley Special Service District. At the time this building permit was issued the Fire Marshall did not need to give approval before approaching the Planning Commission. He said this issue should be addressed when the original application is applied for. This has since been changed and the Fire Marshall must sign before the permit can be reviewed. Rob Snyder said the two (2) of them are now here to solve this situation and work together on the solution. Mayor Leach said that when other homes were being built fire suppression systems and holding tanks had been required. She said just west of this property is a home that was built and had to have a fire sprinkler system and had to install a 5000-gallon holding tank. Mayor Leach asked if the tank was for use by the fire trucks or for the sprinkler systems. She said this problem has been around for a long time. She asked will they all be required to install a large holding tank. John Postert said there is another way to accommodate the issue. He said a fire sprinkler system is required to suppress, not extinguish a fire. It is set to allow the homeowner to get out of a fire. He said a sprinkler system does not put much drain on the system as it only sprays 15-gallons a minute. He said there is another option which is to install a small holding tank of 300-500 gallons within the home which is connected to the sprinkler system it is called a home hydrant system. It only requires water when the sprinklers within the home are activated. This system fills all the legal codes. It is located within the home itself. This would accommodate homes that are too far away to connect to the pipeline or that do not have a culinary connection. John Postert said fire hydrants need to be installed anyway as the water system may improve in the future and will already be in place. He said usually the developer is required to install hydrants. Mayor Leach said the water supply currently does not look like it's going to be increasing any time soon. Water sources are actually diminishing, if anything, with the drought. Mayor Leach said the Rockville Pipeline is also concerned about draining the tank during a fire. When the fire occurred at the East end of Town the Pipeline Company had to turn on the water supply from Springdale to keep water in Town. She said at this time the only ones to connect to the fire hydrant would be the Fire District. Rob Snyder asked if this issue could be drafted into the building permit and approval process. Mayor Leach said she would make sure it's done soon. Mayor Leach said it is reasonable for the homeowner to install a hydrant which could help the Fire Department with the fire and also have the home hydrant system installed. John Postert said he is now aware of concerns and can make sure the International Building Code is followed with the new system of a home hydrant system. He is willing to provide information to the Town to consider when revising the Building Permit to address the water/fire suppression issues. Mayor Leach MOVED to

property up there. There is no fence, barrier, or obstruction that has ever separated the road from the parcel boundary. And this constitutes continuous adverse possession of a full width necessary for access, meeting Utah's standard for dedication. Therefore, the public roadway directly abuts the parcel, and the frontage is complete under the Rockville Town Code. He said so today what he'd like to request from the Council is to find Eagles Crag Road as a public road providing frontage necessary for development as quoted by the Ombudsman's Advisory to the Anderson parcel. Zion Holdings parcel under Rockville Town 9.1.4 the rest is there for reference and you can do that. Mayor Leach questioned that Mr. Anderson said that all the way through the Eagles Crags is classified as a Class C Road. She asked who classified that as a Class C road? As it's not on our Class C road maps. Jacob Anderson said that the map that you have before you there shows the Class C road going beyond, this is from the State of Utah, their website, the RGIS, shows all the Class C roads in the State. And so one map, a couple of you might have two different maps, because he ran out of enough for everybody. He said one shows kind of zoomed out for the entire Rockville, and the other shows zoomed in just for context there up to the parcel and where the Eagle Crags Road goes. He made sure that ArcGIS added the labels as well. But when you're actually using the software, when you click on it, it actually highlights the segments as well. So he pointed on his map and showed the segment that went down. Michael Evenson asked is that ArcGIS?" Jacob Anderson said yes ArcGIS which is a common mapping platform, so you won't find it like searching that, but he could give you a link if you'd like. Michael Evenson asked, and you say it's a common mapping platform. What does that mean exactly? Jacob Anderson said yeah, so the Water Department uses it along with a lot of companies use it, but it's what the State uses to house certain information. And so if you went to ArcGIS, since millions of companies use it, it wouldn't really get you anywhere. But if you went to the State's website and clicked on their link of data, it's just leveraging that mapping tool. Michael Evenson asked if he had any other information regarding the last time we talked, you had a map with the overlay of the road going this way, by second parcels that were already plotted. Do you have any more information on whether that road's been moved over to abut your property or is there's still a gap and the excavation that was done very illegally, you'll know where that road is at. Jacob Anderson said he did. He said he would give you that just in case that question came up. This is also referenced in the building permit. He said he would argue that part, in my opinion, is not relevant because the advisory opinion of wherever the road is traveled is what is public. But regardless, this is a survey that he had done several years ago that shows the roadway in connection with the parcels. And the survey states it actually connects his parcel on one side of the roadway and another parcel he has on the other side of the roadway. So the mapping on the County's website, they try to overlay images with just road drawings, are not always correct. Michael Evenson questioned who surveyed this? Jacob Anderson said it should be on there, as he didn't remember the name. He said it's usually on the side. Attorney Matt Ekins said it appears to be Karl Rasmussen with Pro Value.

Mayor Leach said on the map there's still the area, and she talked to Jordan Cullimore, after the last meeting to explain and ask the question as she wanted to make sure that he knew what this road is, where it's setting, and the fact that it's setting on essentially private property. That property, in fact, the County is currently looking at surveying that to see if they can find who it belongs to, because it was never deeded away from the original owners when those parcels were platted with their legal descriptions. Those areas as they appear as road areas in between the plots was never deeded away to anyone. Jacob Anderson asked in the same way Grafton Road was never deeded to anyone, right? And that's obviously a heavily trafficked road where lots of homes are getting started. Mayor Leach replied we're talking about South Mesa right now, and appreciate your information, but they (the County Assessor) are looking at that because it's something the County is running into in other areas. And they are looking to see if there are any beneficiaries that the land actually belongs to, or that it should be assessed to, and should be given a tax ID number, and so on, or not. And then if it's not, then where does it go? We don't know, but right now, in talking with Jordan, she explained the fact that essentially the single-track road that's gone up there for years, and nobody's questioning that, Jacob in fact, she thinks in our last meeting, we agreed that it's a public used road. But whether

but he did say-- they didn't know it was there. And after he (the title company employee) looked at it, he was able to say, he needed to reach out to the County and let them know they've scanned this wrong, that there's two pages of this document. Tydon Oler said that both (pages of the survey) need to be presented at the same time so that title companies can pull it up. So that might be the reason why. Tydon Oler said he has presented it before to the town, he believes. Matt Ekin asked if this is a record of survey. Tydon Oler said that it has been recorded since 2021. Mayor Leach asked but where is the survey, the width. She asked have they used the width between the parcels to call up 60 feet. Jacob Anderson replied yes. Mayor Leach asked is that where that came from? Jacob Anderson said that's not where that came from, but an item four there, the important point there is no driveway to any of these lots. In speaking of his lot in particular, there's no driveway. So it's been accessed for the past 60 years in every way along the width of that lot. He said let me ask the Council a question if you determined that there was a little piece, a foot wide of private road, of private who knows what, right, between the road and his parcel, would that provide frontage to my parcel? Michael Evenson said he couldn't talk about any distance, but if it's within our Code, at least it's in our Code, then yes. Jacob Anderson said would it provide frontage. Michael Evenson said well, it is in our Code. Mayor Leach said our code says that it abuts, which means it's, right, the property line's here and the road is here. Jacob Anderson said he thought the Code specifically says it provides frontage along approved Town right of way, right? Whether it's a public or private approved Town right of way. He said his guess is and question to Council is if you were to deem, and he think it's completely incorrect, but if you were to deem that there is a small section of land between the road and all of the parcels, would that provide frontage necessary for building? Mayor Leach said she thinks still the issue that is always keeps popping up with these parcels up there was that a subdivision plat was never created and recorded with dimensions with survey markers and everything on it and recorded. And typically in a subdivision that would be the space between your parcels would be the roadway or an area that could be used as a roadway. And we don't have that. And as I said, there's the question of who that (land) belongs to. And if this is a public right of way, public use, or is it a prescriptive easement across private property? And that is a question, that prescriptive easements cannot be used as frontage. Matt Ekins said yes and to add to that, the Planning Commission really talk through this, because he thinks the code, it's 500 feet, if he remembers right, based on the zoning of frontage that would be required, but it's made its way through as a substandard, non-conforming lot to move forward. So what is the frontage that's required, because it's trying to adapt that. He said as far as the Planning Commission, you know, there was discussion on it. He said he didn't see anything in the minutes where there was a final determination made, but as we've just heard from the Mayor, there's a bit of a challenge because if it is a non-conforming lot, it doesn't meet the express code. Matt Ekins said we've got to make an adaptation for them. So if there is a frontage and everything abuts, best case scenario is you have from the south corner to the north point, and that's all frontage. And he would like to hear you speak more and clarify as far as the access; you've talked about being at multiple points. One of the clarifications would help is, are you claiming that it's the Eagle Crags Road is abutting the full length, or if it's not abutting for the full length, what exactly is the position you're taking for that? Is it historical access at different points? The Mayor used the word prescriptive easement. He doesn't know if that's how to describe it, but if you could clarify your position on that. Jacob Anderson said you bet and said that's a great question. He said I can't speak to the nature of what is public or the width of what is public or what's driving, but he can say if he can borrow that survey again for a second (requesting a copy back of his handout). Matt Ekins asked what's that survey number on there? He wanted to add it to his notes. Jacob Anderson said he would get that to you and actually probably do that on his own phone. He said one of your questions, the width of the side of his property that abuts the road is 212 feet is what that is. He said he could not see the survey number or didn't even know where to find that. He had a job number. Matt Ekins said it should be a stamp or something that's been marked by the County. Jacob Anderson asked if it's on the first page and he said he would get that to you if you'd like as this is only page two. He said the first page shows what the Council's already seen here. He said so to your question, what is his argument for public? He said he thinks there's really two things. One reason that the Town Council

simple building permit application. And none of these questions here determine whether it's public or private waiting for an Ombudsman. And then his( the ombudsman) response to him was, this is interesting. It's obviously been traversed for 60 years. You presented that? Jacob Anderson told him yes. And he told him there was a house there before the time you incorporated that was a residence, before it was abandoned. And he (Ombudsman) said, well, a public road can never be abandoned. Jacob Anderson informed the Ombudsman It's listed in RS 247 and said he had presented all of these. Any one of those and any other building permit is simply accepted it. But with this and then add the Class C Road, there are so many reasons why this is just an obvious stamp and yet it's two years and we're wanting to compare surveys now to a map that the County has. He said at some point, he thinks the decision has to be made. And that's all he is asking from the council.

Mayor Leach said she still thinks the point that she brought up in looking at, you're saying that it's 60 feet wide. Jacob Anderson replied yes. Mayor Leach said and you're basing that on the space between the parcels up there, correct? Jacob Anderson replied yes. Mayor Leach said but that's not the space that's been traveled over 60 years. It's been essentially one car width, correct? Jacob Anderson replied no, perhaps it's traveled from a beginning path to a very end path, sure. Well, it's traveled from a beginning path to that lot. Since there's no drive-ins, there's no obstruction. Mayor Leach said but you turned off of the main road. Jacob Anderson answered yes, and so the argument for this, and guite frankly, any other, is that's sufficient. And again, all he asks, he thinks the Ombudsman's rule, and he's made it very clear, there is sufficient frontage for the development purposes for Anderson, and the road is public. He said he reversed that order, but the road is public and there's sufficient frontage for development. He said all he asks is a decision so we can go to the next step and have someone decide if the Town Council is unwilling to decide, then present it to someone who is willing to decide. That's all he is asking because he just feels like it's probably time. He said he doesn't want to be here four years from now. He said he knows you guys don't enjoy this any more than he does. Mayor Leach asked please give us a little grace that that two-year gap, a large chunk of that was sitting at the Ombudsman's office, right? And we were calling in all the time. She said she personally called and said, "Where are we? Are you working on this? And so they (the Ombudsman) contributed to that. Please don't lay all that time on us and you (Jacob Andersen) agreed to taking it to him (Ombudsman), She said in fact, he (Ombudsman) chose to give the Advisory Opinion based on your application for an advisory opinion, not ours, to address those questions. She said and that's fine, he was addressing the questions that we moved to. But there is still the fact that it was not a recorded, plated subdivision, and who owns that properly, where the roadway is. It can't just be expanded and called; if it's the width between the two properties. Jacob Anderson said he would say that's an interesting conundrum to the Town to determine how does that work. But for frontage it is necessary to build a home, to him it's not really relevant who owns the property. The question is, is it a public road? And does a public road provide sufficient frontage? That's a question. Now the Town may be curious, we have a public road now, and we need to determine, you know, do we take that from somebody, or is it being ours just by use over so many years? That's an interesting question. He said he thinks that's a question you should have with your attorney. But he doesn't think it's directly relevant to his own. Mayor Leach said well, in fact, even the State says, frontage abuts a road. So knowing its width, where it can be, widened, and everything really is an important factor.

Jacob Anderson said but again, if he is using, and just like anybody else, but there's no entrance into a 200 foot wide property, it's public use over much longer than 10 years, 60 years, would say as far as a roadway goes for his property for frontage, it's a public road to the roadway and to the end just because of the use going in and out for 60 years, right? And so to him the public road extends, it doesn't matter where the road track is. He said It would be nice if the road track went all the way because it makes it even clearer. But the fact that it has been accessed that way for 60 years on the parcel would seem to argue that, and maybe we're talking in circles, right? He is saying the same thing over and over again. Mayor Leach said she understands what he is talking about. The driveways, you can actually see it (on the provided aerial photo) in the area, you know, where you've

meeting regarding Nathan Trotter about his road work. Jacob Andersen said the first page of this is actually in the application for the building permit. Matt Ekins asked, so the survey would have been included in the building permit application. Tydon Oler replied yes, so this is not the first time the town has seen that on multiple different occasions. Matt Ekins said he would check that. He said so for purposes of tonight, there could be a motion for a couple of actions. He then went on one is to approve the conditions when satisfied, motion that the condition hasn't been satisfied, technically can be tabled for additional information whether the applicant submits that or something the Town's looking to verify. He said it has been going on as we've discussed tonight an extended period of time. So if you're looking to table it, be specific as to what you're doing for being tabled. He said those would be the three options as far as what could be done with the administrative item tonight. Jeff Ballard said last month we (the Council) turned it back to the Planning Commission. Mayor Leach said yes but because roadways are a Town Council issue, which is why it came to us in the first place, Mayor Leach asked if the Council had any other questions? Jeff Ballard said he would like to get it resolved. Mayor Leach asked if Jeff Ballard had a resolution that you'd like to make a motion? Jeff Ballard said he would like to know what the County is really going to give us (the Council) some information to say who owns the property and who doesn't so we can make some kind of determination. He said it's gone on way too long. Matt Ekins said yes just for a point of clarification, tonight's decision is just on whether the conditions have been met based on the approved building permit application. Or if the conditions are deemed satisfied then the permit just moves forward in the process. He said there's still a number of things that have to happen with the building permit, and that's what Mr. Andersen would have to address. Mayor Leach stated she believed in our last meeting we did move any remaining issues on the building permit, such as access for the fire department, which is one of those items that needs done to the best of her knowledge. She said she doesn't know if there are any other items or if he's satisfied the other items needed on his building permit application. Jacob Andersen said he could not recall what this would be. Clerk Cox reminded the Council at the time Jacob Andersen applied for his building permit the Fire Marshall approval was needed after approval from the Planning Commission. Since then this has been changed, and Fire Marshall approval is required before consideration by the Planning Commission. Jeff Ballard said that is a good point to call attention to. Michael Evenson asked if prior to the illegal excavation, there was a two-lane roadway as well as a top one up there. And to what extent would the illegal excavation and ratings affect our decision? Matt Ekins said yes the law that's been cited, which he thinks everybody agrees upon, is a 10-year period of continuous public use. He said and even in the note here, it says that the public use of that right-of-way encompasses the area actually used for travel. He said he thinks that's a key question to look at and we've got information presented by the applicant explaining, at least my understanding, would be a 60-foot-wide public use. Matt Ekins added and then we've had some discussions about what the actual footprint is for the roadway and is it 60 feet? He said that if the excavation or that modification that's been up there along this Eagle Crag's Road is less than 10 years, it wouldn't meet the statutory requirement that it's a continuous 10-year period. He said he didn't know when the excavation took place, but thought is has been more than 10 years ago. Clerk Cox said it was only done in 2023. Matt Ekins said if that widening by excavation work was in 2023, it would not meet the 10-year requirement minimum to claim that additional excavation and widening of the road is a public right away. Mayor Leach asked if the 60 foot, they've acknowledged the 60 foot that they referenced, as the roadway is the space that was left between the parcels that were sold off by Mr. Terry or whoever it was way back when, who does that belong to? She then asked if this public right of way only uses part of that space, can they claim that entire width of the road. She said when she spoke to Jordan Cullimore after our last meeting, he said that if that's privately owned property, then even if you're crossing it with your driveway from the track that people use going across, that in his opinion at the time of the phone conversation was, would not make that your frontage on the road. She said it gives you access to your property, but you are crossing private property to get to your property. So she guessed we still need to hear other Council Members comments on this. Robin Smith said it seems like the issue is over the information that Jordan Cullimore looked at and commented on versus what's new but additional information in regards to the

narrative and the legal descriptions for about eight or nine parcels here. He did see on the very North end that there's a notation here that says existing ROW (right of way) easement and it would have some dashed lines as it curves in and then it comes as that curve then aligns North to South those dashed lines go away, but he didn't see that notation referencing say an expressed easement or written easement so he is assuming the survey is just saying this is the right of way as the road is curving in and aligning with that 60-foot. Jacob Andeson said just make sure it's clear that it's you (Tydon Oler) speaking. Tydon Oler said yes, this is just me speaking, answering the question, not speaking out. Tydon Oler said that it would be correct in that there is a defined right of way that we have been able to find now, he had to search many hours, historical records, of when these parcels were much larger. He said it was originally a 340- or 360-acre patent deed track that the Terry's got by patent deed. He said the first thing they did with that patent deed was create these parcels. He said he shouldn't say it's the first thing, they might have done something around their home down below, but that wasn't on top of the mesa. He said the first thing they did was create this road and create these parcels. He went on that's why every deed, including Hebner's deeds and everything since then, referenced an existing two-track road because it already existed all the way up to these parcels. He said every deed from then on that it was sold off since, reference that two track road and a 66-foot right-of-way that follows a center line along that existing right-of-way. He said he took all of those references and all of those deeds to my surveyor and said, plat this out, what do we have? He said and indeed, we have a 66 foot right-of-way that extends from Bridge Road all the way to the beginning of where these parcels are, so that's the track, and that's page one or page two, he forgets the exact page numbering of the survey, is that plotting all the way up. He said once it entered into this subdivision, it goes to distances between actual legal descriptions of the property. Matt Ekins asked then is it the meets and bounds?" Tydon Oler said then the meets and bounds. He said there is a map that has been found since that coincides almost exactly, if not exactly, he hasn't paired them with magnifying glass because maps aren't easy to read after 60 plus years, but there is a, what we believe was to be an intended subdivision map that does correspond almost exactly, if not exactly to this. He said we've had much discussion about that as well. He said he knows that the County's under the impression that it was unrecorded. He said but our take on it is that they acknowledge the corner where any stamp would be is missing and that has gone missing under their care. And now the entire map somehow is missing. It was only a historical record that a title company was able to trace down that found that map. Matt Ekins asked if it (the survey) was found at the County? Tydon Oler said it was a backup of the County's record in the County's possession. Matt Ekins asked in reference to the 2021 survey, Tydon does page one or page two, to your knowledge, delineate or draw out where the two-track road is in relation to the metes and bounds for the parcels. Tydon Oler said not once we entered the parcels, because now hindsight being 20-20, he didn't think it would be a thing to ask the surveyor for. And so he didn't ask him for it. He said, "if this comes, do we have access all the way to the parcels? And then after that, does the access continue on and not run over the top of any of our parcels and flow along with what the parcels are. So he (the surveyor) defined the parcels and the widths at that point. Matt Ekins said that is understood. He then asked so page one will have specific survey calls identifying the footprint of that two-track road, Tydon Oler said going up to and the beginning of what is being referred to as subdivision but is really just some legally recorded parcels. Matt Ekins said he would agree based on looking at page two (of the survey) that there is not a continuing survey tracking where the footprint of the two track road is. Tydon Oler said that could be, definitely could be done, but it was not his request at the time. Jacob Andersen said one final thing, well two things, one, Tydon doesn't speak for me, he has his own interest up there, but two, it has been two years and he is requesting that since there is completed land use application and since the Ombudsman has ruled and made a determination that the Town move toward a vote today or that we set a definite date to put toward a vote, Utah Code 1098509 and the guidance of Utah Property Rights Ombudsman, he said he is entitled to a timely decision. Mayor Leach asked if there were any questions for the Council members. Mayor Leach asked if the Council felt we require additional time to look at the information we have now that Mr. Anderson has given to us. She said we're talking with our attorney and said, at our next meeting, we will make a decision. Robin Smith

# The motion PASSED unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE JULY 2025 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. Clerk Cox explained there was a
mandatory move to a new computer system. All the information is contained in the report, however
it may appear different. Megan Honer-Orton MOVED to approve the financial statements for
July 2025. Robin Smith SECONDED the motion,

### **VOTE on Motion:**

Michael Evenson: Aye Robin Smith: Aye Megan Honer-Orton: Aye Mayor Leach: Aye Jeff Ballard: Aye

The motion PASSED unanimously.

# **Administrative Non-Action Items**

Reports of Mayor and Council Members

Mayor Pam Leach reported work has begun on our seed display for Peach Days. It will be set up on Monday, the 25th of August. Peach Days begins on August 27, for three (3) days. She reminded everyone that a Meet the Candidate Night will be held Tuesday, September 16,

2025 at 6:00 pm. She said notices would be sent out as reminders.

She said Rockville Daze will be held Saturday, September 27th, from 11 to 1:30. She said it will be the usual entertainment and festivities.

She said the Christmas program is going to be on Saturday the 6th of December at 6:00 pm. She said the string orchestra will be performing.

Mayor Leach reported South Central Communications has been in the Office reviewing the plan to connect the Office, Town Hall and the Park to the fiber optic network. The Park will only be a hotspot connection to the internet requiring a password, there will be no power charging stations accessible for use.

Mayor Leach said she will work with the Office to revise the building permit to include the new fire suppression systems discussed tonight. She said she would have that for review by the Council for next month's meeting. She said after the review a public hearing will need to be scheduled and adopted properly.

### Michael Evenson-nothing to report

Robin Smith reported that the Hurricane Fire District has planned a memorial service for 9-11. There will be a flag raising and an all-day event at the main fire station. She will send out an email blast when more information is obtained.

She also reported there is an Emergency Preparedness Fair being held September 18, 2025 at the Town of Springdale. She said the Preparedness Fair will be held from 4:00-6:00 pm at the old ball park and there will be food trucks also.

Megan Honer-Orton continued with the information stating there is a flyer regarding the Preparedness Fair that is available and it will also be included in the Town newsletter coming out this week. She encouraged everyone to attend. She asked if the Cert Trailer could be at the event. Someone would need to move it up there for the evening.

Jeff Ballard reported the Cert Trailer has been moved to the Maintenance Shed and could be transported to the Emergency Preparedness event.