

ROCKY RIDGE
PUBLIC HEARING & TOWN MEETING
July 16, 2025
7:30 PM
TOWN HALL

Opening:

Presiding: Mayor Ronald Allred

Present from the Town Council: Ronald Allred, Joanna Covington, Lucy Gold, Chuck Todd, and Andrew Aagard.

Present from the Town Staff: Rachel Bronson, Terry Allred, Benjamin Allred, Casey Reynolds, and Neva Ray.

Others Present: Shay Morrison, Nate Martinez with Comcast and members of the Comcast construction crew (Kyle & Chad), Tim Allred, Katie Allred, Louis Allred, and Marvin Allred.

Invocation was given.

Meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

Changes to the June 18th minutes. Council Member Andrew Aagard motioned to approve June minutes and Council Member Lucy Gold seconded the motion; all others voted in favor.

New Business:

1. R6 Update, Shay Morrison

Shay sent over a list of resources to staff to update the personnel policies to include conflict-of-interest language, offering to draft either a standalone policy or a revised manual. Shay also provided information on upcoming conferences, staff training, and available grants, noting limited funding for the Rural Community Opportunity Grant. He updated the council on the railroad crossing project, confirming receipt of two UDOT grants totaling around \$300,000, ongoing engineering work, and pending news on additional funding. Discussion touched on the potential \$10,000 annual maintenance fee for the crossing, with Shay agreeing to research whether such costs are standard.

2. Comcast Xfinity Presentation

Nate Martinez from Comcast presented a proposal to install a full underground fiber-optic network throughout the town at no cost to the municipality, explaining construction methods, timelines, and service offerings, including symmetrical upload/download speeds and bundled services. Some businesses expressed strong interest, particularly those with high data needs, while others were satisfied with current service unless clear added value was shown. The council noted that the franchise agreement would be required before work could proceed, but no decision was made at this meeting so the community could be further consulted. There will be a public hearing on August 20th regarding the Comcast agreement. Terry Allred expressed concerns regarding the cost of hitting the fiber line when working on the utilities for the town.

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Budget Report & Financial Statement: (March, June, September, December)
Monthly Expenditures (if no budget report is due – just put this in as a New Business item)

Departments:

1. **EMS/CERT:** N/A
2. **Water:** Repair needed on the telemetry system. Casey also stated that in two days July 7- July 9th we pumped half a million gallons. Then the next two days we pumped another half a million gallons. July is typically our highest month for culinary.
3. **Road:** The water line has been installed for the trees. A special valve has been ordered and it should be here by tomorrow to complete it.
4. **P & Z:** N/A
5. **Admin:** The Town Council reviewed expenditures. There were questions on the new pneumatic missile purchased to make a hole underneath the sidewalk to get water to the trees.
6. **Park:** Multiple concerns expressed over the lawn going yellow throughout the park. The pump was turned off when there was a power outage. The pump is back on and Benjamin will check it after any power outages in the future and continue to monitor it.
7. **Cemetery:** There was a budget item added last year to pay for a headstone for a grave that has gone unmarked for 10 years. This is unusual to cover the headstone but the town approved the exception.
8. **Library:** N/A

Citizen Items:

Town Council Items:

Adjournment:

Council Member Lucy Gold moved to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Joanna Covington seconded the motion, all others voted in favor, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

/s/Neva Ray
Town Clerk/Recorder