

**Rockville Town Council
Regular Meeting
Rockville Town Hall
November 12, 2025 – 6:00 pm**

1. **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. Clerk Cox was recording the meeting.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Leach led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** Jeff Ballard **MOVED** to approve the agenda for the 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. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITH AN AGENDA ITEM.** No conflicts were declared.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mayor Leach asked if there were any public comments. None were made.

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION/NON-ACTION ITEMS

5. **REPORT ON HURRICANE VALLEY FIRE SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT – CHIEF TYLER AMES**

Mayor Leach reported the Fire District had been testing the fire hydrants in Town. She was unsure if they were all tested at this time. Megan Honer-Orton said she had requested a burn permit and one of the staff came down to review the area and ensure water was available.

Tyler Ames came in slightly late and apologized as he was attending the Springdale Town meeting also. He reported Chief Decker's actually talking about the wildland fire information in Springdale tonight. Chief Ames said Chief Decker would be more than happy to come explain it to the Council if you wish.

Chief Ames said last month there were 6 calls in Rockville, 22 calls in Springdale and 13 calls in Zion National Park. He said overall there were just under 600 calls total across the district, which is quite a lot for us. He reported the major standby events are finished with the exception of a couple rodeos coming up in November that we always do at County Facilities by Purgatory.

Chief Ames questioned if he had previously told the Council a Wildland Battalion Chief has been hired. His name is Dave Harmon, and he'll be heavily involved with the WUWA Category as well.

Mayor Leach asked what the report on the fire hydrant tests were and if the testing has been completed. She said the Town had received quite a few calls from residents regarding the tests and possible effects it has had on their water lines. Chief Ames said no water was run for the tests and so

there should be no effect on any residents. Chief Ames said at the last check there were only 8 hydrants left to test, which may have been completed today. Mayor Leach asked if the results could be given to the Town to show locations of possible concern. Chief Ames said he would work on that report and try to provide any helpful information to the Council.

6. **REPORT ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION – CHAIR**

RYBKIEWICZ: Vice Chair Brennan was reporting in Chair Rybkiewicz's place. She said at last night's meeting there were three items on our agenda. One was a temporary banner sign for the Z Arts Craft Fair, around Thanksgiving. It will be hung at Canyon Paws and removed right after the event. This application was approved. Next was a retroactive grading/excavation permit submitted by Stephanie Trimmer. She had a septic tank installed and decided enough dirt was moved that she needed a permit. We approved that application. There was another application for a residence submitted by Jennings, who bought part of Mr. Vesco's property and they're going to build a home at 196 West Grafton Road. This was continued until the December meeting, assuming he has the needed information by then.

Jeff Ballard asked Vice Chair Brennan if a building permit has been issued to the Flying Zion on Grafton Road? He said they are building a structure there. Vice Chair Brennan said to her knowledge no permit has been issued unless they are claiming an agricultural exemption for structures which might not need a permit. Vice Chair Brennan said she will look into this issue.

7. **OFFICIAL CANVAS AND APPROVAL OF THE 2025 ELECTION RESULTS-MAYOR LEACH.**

Mayor Leach said this is to consider the official canvas and approve the November 4, 2025 general election results. She reported there are 187 registered voters with 144 ballots cast this time which is a voter turnout 77.01%. She said that's not quite as high as the last one, but for us it's really good. She then read the tallies into the record for formal approval:

For Rockville Mayor - Kimberly-Clark Arnold 54 , Pam Leach 90 for a total of 144.

For Town Council - Jeff Ballard received 110 votes, Andy Estratus, 78, Jan Fasselin 30, and Skylar Davis, 43, for a total of 288 votes. Everyone was allowed two votes for Council member as we had two seats available. With one of the precincts reporting-which there is only one precinct. Mayor Leach reported there are 187 active voters with 144 total ballots counted. There were 136 mail-in ballots, one in-person early voting period ballot, seven in-person election day ballots, for 144 total ballots. She read for the mail-in ballots statistics, two total were challenged curable ballots, two total rejected ballots that were curable but not cured, two unsigned envelopes and the percentage of ballots returned as undeliverable with 2.1%. And that's our total. She asked if anyone had any questions? None were asked. She asked if anyone would like to make a motion to approve this canvas of our general election.

Megan Honer-Orton **MOVED** to approve the canvas as read. Jeff Ballard **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.

8. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT REGARDING THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION FOR FUNDING FOR ZION COLLABORATIVE COORDINATOR POSITION- MAYOR LEACH:

Mayor Leach explained this is funding the Town has paid for a number of years. The Zion Regional Collaborative has a coordinator, Emily Friedman, who started with the group from AmeriCorps. She is fantastic and coordinates all different issues that the collaborative is watching, such as trails and various other concerns. The Collaborative has members from Kane County, from Washington County, BLM, the National Park, UDOT, and the municipalities, along with some of the businesses, Nate Wiberg from Five Counties also attends. Each member has committed to a portion of the wage paid to the coordinator. The Town of Rockville's contribution is \$1,650 annually towards Emily's salary. Emily Friedman comes out four times a year, every quarter for a workshop, where we meet and discuss all of the items of concern and the things that are being watched. The collaborative itself does not have any voting power. It is not a governmental agency, but they help agencies work together on projects that involve them all. Mayor Leach said this group has been very helpful. She asked if anyone had any questions.

Michael Evenson **MOVED** to approve Rockville's share of \$1,650 for this. Megan Honer-Orton **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.

9. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 15, 2025, MEETING Mayor Leach asked if there were any corrections for the October Regular Meeting minutes. No corrections were made.

Robin Smith **MOVED** to approve the minutes from the October 15, 2025 regular 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.

10. APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2025. Mayor Leach asked if there were any questions regarding the expenditures for the Month of October 2025. No questions

were asked.

Jeff Ballard **MOVED** to approve the expenditures for the month of October 2025. 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.

11. **APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 2025 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**. Mayor Leach asked if there were any questions from the Council regarding the financial statements. Michael Evenson asked about the income. Clerk Cox said there was very little income, if any for last month and so \$10,000 was pulled from the State Treasurer account reserve to cover the expenses. We are still solid and very conservative.

Robin Smith **MOVED** to approve the financial statement for October 2025. Megan Honer-Orton **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 the water is now out of ditches for the year, both the Hall & Grafton Ditch and the Town Ditch.

Mayor Leach invited those in attendance to attend a local fundraising event on Wednesday November 19, 2025 beginning at 6:00 pm that will be held here at the Community Center with the funds going to help the park employees who have been off work due to the government shutdown. She said there is another one on Friday, November 21, 2025, which is being held in Springdale for the same cause. She said in addition to these events there is a barrel in the foyer of the Office to drop off canned goods for the food bank to help the employees also.

Mayor Leach reminded everyone that dumpsters will be here on Friday for the weekend and encouraged everyone to use them to help clean up the Town.

Mayor Leach said the annual Wreaths Across America event will be held on Saturday December 20, 2025 at 11:30 am. Springdale is doing a program at 10:00 am, so Rockville's will be at 11:30 to allow anyone who wishes to attend both ceremonies. This event places a wreath on each and every Veteran's grave in our Cemetery. Wreaths are also placed on the gate representing each division of the Armed Force Services. The graves will be marked before the ceremony to help notify those participating where the Veterans are located.

Mayor Leach reminded the Council that the annual Christmas Party will be held in the Community Center Saturday, December 6, 2025 beginning at 6:00 pm.

Mayor Leach informed the Council of the ribbon cutting on Monday, November 17th, at Legacy Park, Washington County Emergency Center, where a new center is being opened to store emergency preparedness supplies.

Mayor Leach said perhaps you have noticed the cones and construction going on in Town. It is SouthCentral Communications installing the fiber optic internet to connect the Town Office to the new internet service along with the internet hotspot for the Town Park. They have indicated that in the near future, they will be looking to bring fiber optic cable to our residents throughout town.

Mayor Leach reported the new surface on the basketball court has been completed. It is now blue and is striped for basketball. She said the backboard is still being considered. Michael Evenson suggested the new backboard be adjustable for smaller players. Clerk Cox will look into the cost involved for the backboard.

Michael Evenson reported the next mosquito meeting is tomorrow night. He had nothing else to report.

Robin Smith said Chief Ames had already given the Fire District report and had nothing to add.

Megan Honer-Orton reported she is planning on contacting those local residents that expressed interest in the CERT Program at the Preparedness Fair to see if more volunteers could be found.

Jeff Ballard reported he had put a 10-wheeler load of asphalt in the pot holes on Grafton Road before the Butch Cassidy Race to help protect the runners. It appears to be holding up thus far. He said he had helped with the race and there were 450 runners between the 5K and the 10K race. He said it was a good crowd and a beautiful day.

Jeff Ballard reported the annual Turkey Bingo Game will be held at the Bumbleberry Theater on November 22, 2025 at 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm

Staff Report as needed. Nothing to report.

Adjournment: Michael Evenson **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 pm. Jeff Ballard **SECONDED** the motion.

VOTE on Motion:

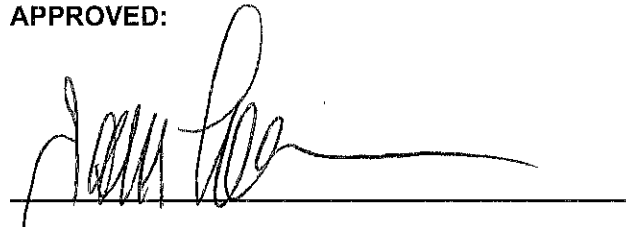
Michael Evenson: Aye

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

The motion PASSED unanimously.

Minutes prepared by
Shelley D. Cox
Town Clerk

APPROVED:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pam Leach", is written over a horizontal line.

Pam Leach, Mayor

Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shelley D. Cox", is written over a horizontal line.

Shelley D. Cox-Town Clerk