

**RUSH VALLEY TOWN
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

April 22, 2026

Rush Valley Town Hall

52 South Park Street, Rush Valley Utah

Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council Members Present: Pete Albrecht, Lacey Burrows, Dana Gardner and Jeremiah Harding. Mayor Brian Johnson was excused.

Appointed Officers and Employees Present: Attorney Rob Clegg, Clerk/Recorder Patty Rowe and Fire Chief Jason Bolinder.

1. **Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call**
2. **Approval of Meeting Minutes – March 25, 2026.** Councilmember Albrecht made a motion to approve the minutes; Councilmember Burrows seconded. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.
3. **Sheriff's Report.** Lieutenant Wayman reported a total of 18 details for the month of March 2026, including one arrest and three citations.
4. **Mayor's Recognition Award.** This award is sponsored by the Tooele County Health Department and is intended to promote community spirit. The award was given to Kaden Taylor.
5. **Planning of Final Event to Expend Tooele County Health Department Grant Funds.** Clerk/Recorder Patty Rowe reported that there is \$500 remaining from the grant that needs to be spent by June 30th. She suggested a Bingo Night at the town hall on Friday, May 29, 2026, and the council agreed to that date.
6. **Approval of Payment to Wasatch Front Regional Council for Match Agreement.** Councilmember Albrecht made a motion to approve the payment; Councilmember Harding seconded. The Town of Rush Valley was awarded a \$100,000 grant to update the general plan and land use management code. The grant funds will be paid directly to approved consultants. One criterion of the grant is that the town pay an \$8,000 match up front. The funds will come out of the general fund. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.
7. **Approval of Improvements to Park and Stookey Lanes.** Councilmember Harding made a motion to approve; Councilmember Albrecht seconded. Tooele County third-quarter sales tax funds in the amount of \$225,000 will be used for the paving of Park

and Stookey Lanes and the town hall parking lot. The two handicap ramps in front of the town hall need to have the concrete re-done and quotes are being requested. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.

- 8. Approval of Payment to Rock'n T Excavation & Trucking.** Councilmember Harding made a motion to approve; Councilmember Albrecht seconded. The total amount of the invoice is \$2,265.00. During preparation for paving, soft spots were encountered that needed to be repaired quickly. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.
- 9. Approval to Purchase Laptop for Clerk/Recorder.** Councilmember Gardner made a motion to approve; Councilmember Albrecht seconded. The laptop is at least seven years old, operates slowly and there is concern it may fail. Up to \$2,000 was approved for the purchase. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.
- 10. Approval of Payment for Repairs to Water Tender.** Councilmember Albrecht made a motion to approve; Councilmember Harding seconded. Fire Chief Bolinder reported that a water tender became available from North Tooele Fire Department and they were able to obtain it for no charge. The truck needs repairs to the brakes and suspension totaling \$2,219.28. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.
- 11. Fire Department Report.** Fire Chief Bolinder reported that the interagency wildland engine academy was rescheduled and will not be held at the Rush Valley fire station. Dumpsters for town clean up are available at the town hall for residents to use. Fire department members are attending a wildland refresher course. Dan Walton has accepted a new position with the State of Utah and will no longer be available to us on a regular basis. Since the last meeting, the department has responded to 10 calls including one fire, one traffic accident and eight medical calls. None of the calls were in town.
- 12. Council Reports.** Roads – Councilmember Harding reported he had been preparing for the upcoming paving project with assistance from family members. He also completed milling and grading work on Willow Lane.

Cemeteries – Councilmember Burrows is getting ready for spring clean-up and has a crew lined up to do the work as a service project.

Councilmember Albrecht again reminded residents of drought conditions and the need for weed control. He also reminded residents to change batteries on their smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

Parks – Councilmember Gardner reported work on the Clover Church backroom. Additional trim is needed to complete the windows.

Mayor Johnson was not present at the meeting for a report.

13. **Safety Topic.** Councilmember Gardner presented the safety topic on distracted driving.
14. **Payment of Bills.** Councilmember Albrecht made a motion to approve payment of April 2026 bills; Councilmember Burrows seconded. All present voted in favor and the motion carried.
15. **Public Comments.** None
16. **Adjourn.** Councilmember Albrecht made a motion to adjourn; Councilmember Burrows seconded. All present voted in favor and the motion carried. The meeting ended at 7:54 p.m.