

**Reardan Town Council
Council Meeting Minutes
August 7, 2025 6:00PM
Reardan Bible Fellowship (155 S Oak, Reardan WA)**

Call to Order: 6:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call:

- Mayor: Gail Daniels
- Council members: Dan Graham, Bill Kemp, Rocky Kidder, Leanne Merkel. Dain Harden absent and excused.
- Police: Stephen Bolinger
- Clerk Treasurer: Celeste Lewis
- Guests: Charrel Nilles, Tomi Gilbert, Niki Sibley, Kathy Eastman, Josh Eastman, Sam Mathis, John Merkel, Marian Foster, Simon Butterfield, Claudia Veltrie.

Approval of Minutes:

- Regular Council minutes from July 10, 2025. Bill made a motion to approve. Leanne seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Approval of Payroll Claim Vouchers:

- Approval of Payroll Vouchers from 07/18/2025. Bill made a motion to approve. Rocky seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Leanne did not vote.
- Approval of Payroll Vouchers from 08/05/2025. Bill made a motion to approve. Rocky seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0. Leanne did not vote.

Approval of AP Claim Vouchers:

- Approval of Claims from 07/11/2025 to 08/07/2025. Leanne made a motion to approve. Rocky seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Treasurer's Report:

- Treasurers Report July 2025. Leanne made a motion to approve, with the correction of 297.89 on the investment pool. Bill seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Veteran's Report:

- Rocky reported that Cliff and Denise are working part time in Davenport, and Cliff had flags for Veterans.

Public Works Report:

- Carsen Kline is working part time.
- Tony is working with Evergreen Rural Water to assess what size generator we need for the well, and cn an Energy Audit on our buildings, at no cost. We have a generator for the sewer and lift station. Bill said he would like to run our pumps when it's the most economical.
- Tony contacted our engineer about our lagoons.

Police Report:

- They had 78 calls for service, and one was an animal problem.
- A firearm was found in the grass in Reardan.
- The FLOCK system caught a suspect from a drive-by shooting in Stevens County, where someone was badly hurt.

Committee Reports/Requests:

- Bill said 2nd Harvest on July 29, had 152 families and about 9,000 meals.

Mayor's Report:

- The 6th annual Ice Cream Social will be on August 21st at 6:00 PM.
- We received flags from Cathy McMorris Rogers Foundation.
- The Mayor wants to talk with Michael Baumgartner about the problems small towns are having.

Old Business:

- Decide on dog ordinance, including fees. Leanne wants a phone number on their collar.
- Variance on Parcel #0603033005100 AC1 LLC, of Simon Butterfield's. Planning Committee approved the variance to split property East-West. Simon said houses align 100' by 120'. Back of the lot drops off a lot. Dan worried about the aesthetics. John Merkel said assessor's office said it's about 140' to 150' N/S, and no record of what was done with the street. At most, it's only 70' to 75' wide running N/S for each lot. It has enough square feet, however it does not follow the ordinance of 100' wide. Simon wants the line to run E/W making a north lot and a south lot. Rocky made a motion to approve variance. There was a lack of a second, so motion was dropped. Rocky then made a motion to table it. Dan second the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

New Business:

- None

Public Comment:

- None

Misc.

- None

Adjourn:

- Leanne made a motion to adjourn. Rocky seconded it. Motion passed 4-0.
- Time 6:45 PM

APPROVED: Gail E Daniels
 Gail E. Daniels, Mayor

ATTEST: Celeste Lewis
 Celeste Lewis, Clerk/Treasurer