

**Reardan Town Council
Council Meeting Minutes
October 2, 2025
Reardan Bible Fellowship (155 S Oak, Reardan WA)**

Call to Order: 6:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call:

- Mayor: Gail Daniels
- Councilmembers: Dan Graham, Bill Kemp, Dain Harden, Leanne Merkel. Rocky Kidder absent and excused
- Police: Chief Barbara Werner
- Clerk/Treasurer: Celeste Lewis
- Public Works: Tony DeSautel
- Guests: Chantel Nilles, Tomi Gilbert, Niki Sibley, Kathy Eastman, Sam Mathis

Approval of Minutes:

- Regular Council minutes from 09/04/2025. Dan made a motion to approve. Dain second the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Leanne did not vote

Approval of Payroll Claim Vouchers:

- Payroll Vouchers: 09/19/2025. Bill made a motion to approve. Dain second the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Leanne did not vote.
- Payroll Vouchers: 10/02/2025. Bill made a motion to approve. Dain second the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Leanne did not vote

Approval of AP Claim Vouchers:

- Approval of Claims from 09/05/2025 to 10/02/2025. Leanne made a motion to approve. Dan second the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Treasurer's Report:

- Treasurers Report September 2025. Leanne made a motion to approve. Bill second the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Veteran's Report:

- None

Public Works Report:

- Tony and Carson, with the help of Brandon from Air Diffusion Systems installed the new hoses at the lagoons in 2 days. We have lots of bubbles now! Our sewer system is in good shape now!
- In the Spring we will add bacteria which will eat the sludge 1 inch per week in the summer, and 1 inch when it gets below 60 degrees.
- Food grade dye will kill duck weed.
- Tony will send the pump to the West side for repairs and will save us over half the repair bill. The new air system will have to work less hard and save us electricity.

Police Report:

- Chief Werner reported that we had 2 abandoned vehicles, 1 paper service, 58 traffic offences, 6 suspicious persons, 1 accident with injury.

Committee Reports/Requests:

- Bill – 2nd Harvest- On September 18th they had 135 cars at the park. November is cancelled.

Mayor's Report:

- X-Press Bill Pay is Active.
- Working with Catalis on the .gov website. Still tentatively scheduled for debut November 1.
- October 15th will be a budget hearing at 5:30 PM at Town Hall.
- Lake street railroad crossing is done and they will start 231 and Laurel on Tuesday Oct 14, 2025. The track is 100 years old!
- Water in the park and bathrooms will be shut off soon, but the Town will place a porta potty at the park October 7th. The school blows out our water lines.

Old Business:

- The new Dog Ordinance number will be #2503. Dain made a motion to pass. Bill second the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

New Business:

- Implement Davenport's Nuisance Ordinance for Junk/Unregistered Vehicles. Barb reported that Davenport's ordinance reads well, matches the RCW's, and is more clear than Reardan's. Will give warnings first instead of citations. We can use Good Guys Towing, because they will remove vehicles for free, but the resident has to have the title.
- The old Red Rooster will be opening soon and will be renamed :Korn Fed Ted's".

Public Comment:

- Sam asked why we paid interest on the Credit card bill and Celeste said one payment was late.
- Kathy asked about the attorney bill and what is the "Utility Extension Agreement".

Misc:

- Leanne reported about our budget.
 - At the end of 2023 we only had \$110,573.64 in checking and \$77,059.75 in the state investment pool, for a total of only \$187,633.39.
 - At the end of 2024 we had a total of \$470,610.10.
 - Near the end of 2025, with 3 more months to go in 2025, we have a total of \$613,480.17.
 - Bill talked about extending our water to the people who are building near Waukon, and possibly annexing that area.

Adjourn:

- Bill made a motion to approve. Leanne second the motion. Motion passed 4-0.
- Time 6:46 PM

APPROVED: _____

Gail E. Daniels

Gail E. Daniels, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Celeste Lewis

Celeste, Clerk/Treasurer