## Regular Council Meeting Minutes September 3, 2024 6:10 PM Central Standard Time

**Present:** Donna Bullock, Jane Hayes, Nina Hendricks, Michael Hutto, Eric Seib, April Watson, Gretchen McPherson, David Tillar, Crystal Weatherington, Matthew Dobson

Meeting Call to Order: Eric Seib Prayer: Michael Hutto Pledge: Jane Hayes

**Approve Minutes**: Councilwoman Hayes made a motion to accept the regular meeting minutes as written from August 5, 2024. Seconded by Councilwoman Hendricks. 3 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

## 1. Town of Jay Report

Engineering / Operations Report: Mr. Tillar presented the engineering report. We are still waiting on approval from DEO for the Bray Hendricks Park plans. There will be a punch out meeting tomorrow for the community center completion. Mr. Seib presented the operations report (attached). All tribal communities that were contacted regarding the new park have responded and there are no issues. He stated that Robin Phillips is awaiting a decision from CDBG regarding the Rural Infrastructure Grant and if they will allow demolition only of houses beyond repair. Discussion followed. Mr. Seib discussed the sewer manhole project. Discussion followed regarding accessing the current state of the manholes.

## 2. Old Business

Community Center Furnishings: Mr. Seib presented a tentative budget for furnishing each room in the community center (attached). Discussion followed. Councilwoman Hendricks requested that staff look into the price of a few high-top tables.

Community Center Rental Agreement and Fees: Ms. Watson presented the council with the current rates and the rates of other Santa Rosa and private community centers and venues (attached). Discussion followed regarding deposits, cleaning fees, and what the new rates should be. Councilwoman Hayes asked that we table the final rates until the next meeting.

## 3. New Business

**Suicide Awareness Month:** Matthew Dobson with the Santa Rosa Health Department spoke regarding Suicide Awareness Month. Mr. Seib read proclamation 09-03-01 recognizing September as National Suicide Prevention Month (attached).

Rural Infrastructure Fund Grant: Mr. Seib discussed during the Operations Report (attached – see above).

**Upcoming Events:** Mr. Seib told the council about several important dates coming up including Homecoming - Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>, Trick or Treat - Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>, Ice Skating - Nov. 25–26<sup>th</sup>, Tree Lighting - Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, Joy in Jay - Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>, and the Cookie Crawl - Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>.

Visitor comments: None

Councilwoman Hayes made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Hendricks. 3 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Donna Bullock, Town Clerk

Shon Owens, Mayor