

# CITY COUNCIL MEETING

## ROTHSAY CITY HALL

### APPROVED MINUTES

August 11th, 2025 @ 7:00 pm

- 1.0 Call to Order:** The council meeting was called to order by Mayor Shane Balken at 7:01 p.m. Council Members present: Heather Weber, Daryl Schleeter, Matthew Balken, and Nathan Ziegler. Others present: Amanda Kuschel, Jordan Barry, Kellie Barry, Brian Stanslaski, Chris Buckingham, Terri Anderson, Jon Lowry, and Justin Nepl.
- 2.0 Public Forum:**
- Buckingham would like the council to reconsider posting the meeting minutes back in the Rothsay Regional Report for the residents to read.
- 3.0 Approval of Agenda:** One addition; A **MOTION** to approve was made by Weber, seconded by Ziegler. Carried.
- 4.0 Approval of Consent Agenda:**
- **Approval of July Meeting Minutes**
  - **Approval of July Accounts Receivable and Accounts Payable**
  - **Committee Reports**
  - **EDA Minutes and Report**
  - **Rothsay Fire Department**
  - **Employee Reports**
- A **MOTION** to approve was made by Schleeter, seconded by Matthew Balken. Carried.
- 5.0 Committee, EDA, Fire, and Employee Action Items:**
- 5.1 REC Fencing and Seating:** The council put this on hold until housing development plans are in place.
- 5.2 Storm Sewer Jetting:** Approval of up to \$4,400.00. A **MOTION** to approve was made by Weber, seconded by Matthew Balken. Carried. Approval of up to \$1,000.00 for the rental of a mini excavator. A **MOTION** to approve was made by Schleeter, seconded by Ziegler. Carried.
- 5.3 Evans Chicken License:** The council stated to use a coop made for chickens before approval.
- 5.4 Kuschel Chicken License:** A **MOTION** to approve was made by Schleeter, seconded by Weber. Carried.
- 6.0 NEW BUSINESS:**
- 6.1 Ordinance 2.05B:** Post ordinance in the Barnesville Record Review and bring it to the October meeting.
- 6.2 Land Annexation:** Bring to the September meeting.
- 6.3 REC Housing Development:** Discussion on development for vacant lots by REC and Rodeo grounds. Lowry Engineering and GFY Custom Crafts will put together an agreement with the EDA.
- 6.4 Solar Municipal Building:** WCI to come and assess city buildings for solar panels.
- 6.5 Voting Operations, Technology, & Election Resources (VOTER) Account Agreement:** A **MOTION** to approve was made by Weber, seconded by Ziegler. Carried.
- 6.6 Resolution Governing Write-In Vote Counting:** A **MOTION** to approve was made by Weber, seconded by Ziegler. Carried.
- 6.7 Prairie Addition Special Assessments:** Resolution from city attorney to go on September agenda. Special Assessments to start in 2026.
- 7.0 Old Business:**
- 7.1 Rothsay Regional Report:** Rothsay city council meeting minutes will be available on the city website, Facebook, and at city hall. They will no longer be published in the Rothsay Regional Report.
- 7.2 Time Capsule:** Bring it to the September meeting.
- 7.3 East Park Electrical:** Bring it to the September meeting.
- 7.4 Vacant City Land/New Land Purchase:**
- The council counter-offered with a \$9,000.00 purchase price to the Rhodes for the city's vacant lot and was accepted.

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- Shane Balken is to talk with the landowner regarding the land purchase and say the city is not interested currently.

**8.0 Mayor/Council Reports:**

**9.0 Adjourn:** A **MOTION** to adjourn was made by Ziegler, seconded by Weber, and carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Respectfully Transcribed by,

Amanda Kuschel,  
City Clerk/Treasurer