ASOTIN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

OCTOBER 13, 2026

Asotin City Hall, 121 Cleveland Street, Asotin WA

- **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Dwayne Paris, called the City Council Meeting to order at 5:30p.m.
- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Paris, led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **ROLL CALL:** Lori Loseth, Craig Stein, and David Weakland
- **STAFF PRESENT:** Tina Davidson, City Clerk-Treasurer
- **PUBLIC PRESENT**: Rozella Wolf, Ron Crossin
- **PUBLIC HEARING – None**
- **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:** Wes Rains introduced our new Public Works Maintenance Technician Kaden Elben, Kaden replaced Kirk.
- **CONSENT CALENDAR:**
- **Minutes of September 28th, 2026, Regular Meeting**
- Payroll 9/30/2026 Ck# 48108 - 48116 Including EFT's; $30,103.20
- Expense Claims 10/13/2026 Ck# 48123 - 48146 Including EFT's; $76,186.41
- 3rd Qtr. Claims 9/30/2026 Ck# 48117 – 48119 Including EFT's; $1,116.82
- 4th Qtr. Claims 10/1/2026 Ck# 48120 – 48122 Including EFT's; $10,653.10
- Voids: Ck#

  Motion to approval Consent Calendar by Weakland/Stein, motion passes 3/0
  Motion for approval of Council member's Steve Cowdrey & Tim Ottmar Excused absence by Weakland/Stein, Motion passed 3/0:
- **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**:
  RV Dump-SCAT – After discussion with council members, the decision was to appoint Dwayne to this Committee in place of a Council Member. Dwayne will work with Bob and BLM Rep. and two citizens at large to work on this committee. Still looking for 2 citizens at large, to serve on the committee.
- **REVE/DABELLA License:** At the last meeting it was approved the suspension on DeBella's business license indefinitely. This was turned over to our Attorney to draw up the Ordinance. Should have ready at next council meeting.
  NEW BUSINESS:
- **Business Licenses Reviewed:** Dessa supplied copies off all business licenses. These appear to be renewals for business inside/outside the city limits.
- **CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR REPORTS:**
- **CLERK'S REPORT:** Tina reported on the 2027 Wage Proposal. She reported that the wages for 2027 3% increase that was addressed in the 2026 Wage increase Union Contract 2026 – 5%, 2027-3%, 2028-3%. She explained the Increase in Medical and Dental Benefits as well as the L&I that will be coming in November for the 2027 Tax year. She has also been working with department heads to finalize their budget. The plan is to have our first reading on Nov 2nd, that will be one week from the Oct 28th meeting. And the Public Hearing for Finalizing the budget will be Nov 16th. Also reminded council that the Audit is Nov 19th.
- **Motion to approval 2027 Wage Proposal by Weakland/Loseth, motion passes 3/0**
- **DEPARTMENTS:**
  - **POLICE DEPARTMENT:**
  - **FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

- **PLANNING COMMISSION:** Done for 2026 – Next meeting will be in 2027.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS - COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS

- **Lori Loseth** – Lori attended the Health Board where they discussed the "BAT" situation that happened at the school. The health board acted quickly and we able to address the incident. They also discussed Climate Change and the effects it is having here in our area. She also attended the MPO Board Meeting, where they discussed the painting of the Blue Bridge. But nothing pertaining to City of Asotin.
- **Craig Stein –** None
- **David Weakland –** None
- **Tim Ottmar** –Absent
- **Steve Cowdrey** – Absent

- **MAYOR'S REPORT:**
  Short Term Rentals – This is considered a Business and requires a Business License and currently we do not have any regulation pertaining to Short Term Rentals and the state of Washington has started holding cities accountable for rentals not being licensed and not being operated under these guidelines, Building inspectors, Fire Codes-Inspections, etc. See hand out provided.
  Dwayne also reported that the Sidewalk on Cleveland Street has been fixed. The Dead tree at CLG Park has been removed and another is coming down in the city park. He is still waiting to hear back from FEMA regarding the reimbursement of Emergency Shut Down costs.
  Dwayne provided the council with a quote from Specialty Pump Service on a Well Repair for the pump on Meador St. The quote is for repair of 75HP Pump. This quote is for the rebuilding of the pump, pricing is estimated based on information provided. The quote is for $57,975.00 – (8.4% sales tax was not added at this time).
  Motion to approve the quote from Specialty Pump Service for repair of Well Pump by Stein/Loseth, motion passes 3/0
- **ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:**
- **<u>Ordinance #2026-913</u> – An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance 2025-907 of The Asotin Municipal Code, Section 13.10.550 Sub-Sections C & E – Sewer Rates and Charges – Designated and Providing for the Effective Date Hereof.**
  Motion to approve of Ordinance 2026-913 by Weakland/Stein, motion passes 3/0
- **<u>Ordinance #2026-914</u> – An Ordinance Repealing Asotin Municipal Code Section 13.36.020, Sub-Sections D, E, F, & G – School & Fields Minimum and Excess Water Rates and Providing for the Effective Date Hereof. NOT APPROVED - HOLDING FOR FURTHER RESEARCH**
- **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None
- **ADJOURNMENT:**
  - **Motion to adjourn by Stein/Loseth, Motion passed. 3/0**
  - **Meeting adjourned at 5:40pm.**

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Dwayne Paris, Mayor

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Tina Davidson, Clerk-Treasurer