

TOWN OF RYE
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
November 12, 2025

Call to Order/Roll Call

Marty Rahl called the Regular Monthly Board Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall at 2067 Main Street in Rye, Colorado. Those in attendance were as follows: Marty Rahl, Mayor; Kathy MacCormack, Mayor Protem; Geoff Pagnotta, Trustee; Heidi Miller, Trustee; Patrick Ryan, Trustee; Aimee Kramer, Trustee; Greg Colter, Colorado Rural Water; Kenneth Berve, Water Treatment Plant Employee; Matt Akers, Resident; Julia Grabowski, Resident; Dave Chucka, Resident; and Jocelyn Ensley, Town Clerk. Those absent were: and Sandra Steele.

Audience Participation

Dave Chucka addressed the Board regarding the violation notification letter dated October 8, 2025. Mr. Chucka requested an extension to keep the dumpster in front of his property for ten months to allow time to remodel the property and to have the \$75.00 violation fee assessed to his account waived. The Board discussed the matter. Kathy MacCormack made a motion to approve Dave Chucka's request for a ten-month extension to keep the dumpster in front of his property and waive the \$75.00 fee assessed to his account. Heidi Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Matt Akers addressed the Board and provided a presentation on Electric Vehicle Charging Stations. The Board discussed the matter. Mr. Akers stated that the first step in this process would be to establish a steering group to determine the project in deeper detail and gather more research. Marty Rahl stated that the Board would be happy to keep this item on the agenda while Mr. Akers moves forward with establishing a steering group and requested him to provide more information at the next regular monthly meeting in December 2025.

Consent Agenda Items

- Kathy MacCormack made a motion to approve the October 8, 2025- Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes. Heidi Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Kathy MacCormack made a motion to approve the November 3, 2025- Emergency Meeting Minutes. Heidi Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- The Board reviewed the Operator in Responsible Charge (ORC) Water Treatment Plant End of Month Report.
- Geoff Pagnotta provided an update on water tank #1, #2, and #3 following the water tank inspections and cleanings by Marine Diving Services that occurred earlier that day.

Geoff Pagnotta stated that water tank #2 and #3 were both inspected and cleaned with zero issues indicated. Geoff Pagnotta stated that the water line from tank #1 to the water treatment plant appears to have been sealed off and is why there are issues with filling the tank. Geoff Pagnotta went on to state that there is delamination of sealant on the floor with multiple bubbles appearing when walked across due to water infiltration between the concrete and lining and that the floor of the tank is in bad shape and has been compromised. Geoff Pagnotta stated that once all the reports are received back from Marine Diving solutions the Town will need to notify the state and determine what direction they would like to go in. The Board discussed the matter. The Board instructed Jocelyn Ensley to contact Industrial Coating to gather more information on any warranties that may have been provided following the lining being installed in 2021. Jocelyn Ensley stated that Richard Hopp confirmed that CDPHE has given an extension until May 2026 to have tank #1 repaired in full and brought into compliance and if the town is unable to do that prior to May 2026, then the tank may need to be disconnected from the water treatment plant until it can be repaired or replaced.

- The Board read and reviewed a quote from Little Diggers Construction to install an overflow valve on the west wall of tank #2. Geoff Pagnotta made motion to approve the quote from Little Diggers Construction to install an overflow valve on the west wall of tank #2. Heidi Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- The Board reviewed the revised Sewer Main Capital Improvement Plan provided by Mike Hager at Element Engineering. Jocelyn Ensley stated that the revised CIP includes the relocation of the sewer main line onto Main Street and has taken the project from just under \$1,000,000.00 dollars to \$2,455,878.00. Jocelyn Ensley stated that the revised CIP also indicates that the financial road map no longer includes obtaining a State Revolving Fund loan and only indicates grants from USDA and DOLA. The Board discussed the revised CIP. Aimee Kramer stated that the revised CIP does not address the nine households currently on septic needing the infrastructure for the option to connect to the sewer main. Marty Rahl stated that the Board should hold a Special Meeting with Mike Hager to review and discuss the revised CIP in full and a month or so later hold a Work Session to update the community in detail. The Board instructed Jocelyn Ensley to request a Special Meeting with Mike Hager in January 2026.
- Jocelyn Ensley stated that Little Diggers Construction has completed the installation of the manhole on Matnock and laid gravel in the instructed areas.
- Marty Rahl stated that she spoke with Jeff Lepley regarding the installation of the emergency services well at the water treatment plant and he stated that he can assist the Town is accessing a water discharge point. Marty Rahl stated that a quote will be provided for the Board to review as soon as she receives it.
- The Board briefly discussed the Inlet Silt and Reeds Removal and will leave it on the agenda for future discussions with Geoff Pagnotta, Greg Colter, Colorado Rural Water and Matt Dennison, Little Diggers Construction.

- The Water and Sewer Monthly Meter Usage (Billing Register) was reviewed.
- The Town of Rye Summary of Accounts, RVS Systems Totals Report and CCMD Sewer Flow Chart were reviewed by the Board.
- The Summary of Aged Receivables was discussed by the Board. Past due accounts were called by Jocelyn Ensley and reminded of their past due balance as well as the current due balance. The Board instructed Jocelyn Ensley to issue disconnect letters for all delinquent accounts surpassing 61+ days in payment.
- Kathy MacCormack made a motion that the Accounts Payable/Transfer of Funds from appropriate accounts be paid and that appropriate funds be transferred per the Checks Written form. Geoff Pagnotta seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- The Board reviewed the Profit & Loss and Balance Sheets.
- The Master Calendar was reviewed. Jocelyn Ensley has updated the calendar to reflect the date and name of persons completing monthly items. Jocelyn Ensley stated that the water tanks will be due for inspection and guidance from the ORC has been requested to ensure all state requirements are met.

Unfinished Business

- Jocelyn Ensley stated that the final meeting was had with the Safe Routes to School Program and that all small projects have been submitted to the program director to display at their end of year conference.
- Marty Rahl stated that the revised Town of Rye and Pueblo County Intergovernmental Agreement for plowing services, chip and seal services, and striping services for Main St. and Boulder Ave. has not been received by the County and will remain on the agenda.
- Marty Rahl stated that the Town of Rye, Pueblo County, and Colorado City Metro District Intergovernmental Agreement for a Satellite Office has not been received by the County and will remain on the agenda.
- The Board reviewed the third revised 2026 Budget. Jocelyn Ensley stated that the fourth and final revision of the 2026 Budget would be made available at the next regular meeting monthly board meeting.
- Jocelyn Ensley stated that she and Marty Rahl met with Holly Tittel with the Purple People Leaders, who will be hosting the 2025 Tree Lighting Ceremony & Vintage Christmas at Rye Park. Jocelyn Ensley stated that Terry Golly has been scheduled to put up the holiday decorations on Main Street and Devin Boisvert with DB Dirt Works has been confirmed to put up and take down the lights on the tree on Highway 165 and Main Street. Jocelyn Ensley stated that all new Christmas lights have been purchased for installation and then displayed the snowflake tree topper and wreath decorations donated by Marty Rahl.
- Jocelyn Ensley stated that all documents have been provided to the Town Attorney so that a lien can be placed on account #69 for lack of paying Ordinance and Resolution

Violation Fees from 2022 totaling \$3000.00. An update will be provided as soon as the lien is placed.

Reports

CPA Update: N/A

Attorney Update: N/A

Trustee Updates: Geoff Pagnotta stated that the Town needs to purchase a 20ft extension ladder for the Water Treatment Plant. Jocelyn Ensley stated that she will inform the Water Treatment Plant Operators.

Staff Updates: N/A

New Business

- The Board reviewed the Pueblo County Animal Control Code. Marty Rahl stated that the Town of Rye is referenced as being included in the Code so the Town will not need to create an Ordinance adopting the code.
- The Board reviewed the 2025 Board of Trustees Honorarium to be paid out in December 2025.
- Marty Rahl stated that due to continued vandalism and traffic infractions she will be contacting the Pueblo County Sheriff's Office to see if they would be willing to put up cameras within Town boundaries. She will provide an update at the next regular monthly meeting.

At 8:15 p.m. Patrick Ryan made a motion to enter into Executive Session. Kathy MacCormack seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Personnel: For discussion of personnel matters (Annual Employee Bonuses) under CRS Section 24-6-402(4)(f) and NOT involving: any specific employees who have requested discussion of the matters in open session; any member of this body or any elected official; the appointment of any person to fill an office of this body or of an elected official; or personnel policies that do not require the discussion of matters personal to particular employees.

REGULAR MEETING

At 8:20 p.m. Patrick Ryan made a motion to exit the Executive Session and return to the Regular Meeting. Kathy MacCormack seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Patrick Ryan made a motion to approve a 5% annual bonus to all active employees for the 2025 year. Heidi Miller seconded the motion. Aimee Kramer voted, aye. Patrick Ryan voted, aye. Kathy

MacCormack voted, nay. Heidi Miller voted, aye. Geoff Pagnotta voted, aye. The motion passed 4-1.

Adjournment

At 8:25 p.m., Kathy MacCormack made a motion to close the regular monthly meeting. Patrick Ryan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.



Marty Rahl, Mayor



Jocelyn Ensley, Town Clerk

**The Next Regular Session meeting will be held on
December 10, 2025, at 6:00 pm at the Town Hall at 2067 Main Street, Rye, CO 81069
The public is encouraged to attend.**

Individuals with disabilities needing auxiliary aid(s) may request assistance by contacting the Rye Town Clerk at 719-489-2011. We would appreciate it if you would contact us at last 48 hours in advance of scheduled events so arrangements can be made to locate the requested auxiliary aid(s).