



Regular Meeting

May 11, 2026

Parksley Volunteer Fire Company – Banquet Hall

Available via Audio

Roll Call

Council members present: Sam Welch, Janice Welch, Ricky Taylor, Brad York, R. Wayne Marshall, Jr., Mark Layne

Staff present:

Lauren Lewis – Clerk

Michael McCready – Public Works Supervisor

Mayor Frank A. Russell II presiding

Call to Order and Invocation

Mayor Russell called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Councilman Welch read a passage from John 15.

A prayer was offered, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

Kim Smith – Parking Concern

Ms. Kim Smith addressed Council regarding vehicles parked along the roadway near El Sol, particularly on Sundays, which obstruct visibility.

Mr. Greer will look into the matter.

Approval of Minutes



Councilman York made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 13, 2026 regular meeting with minor corrections.

Seconded by Councilman Marshall.

The motion passed unanimously.

#### Approval of Bills

Councilman York made a motion to approve payment of the bills.

Seconded by Councilman Marshall.

The motion passed unanimously.

#### Old Business

##### American Legion Bike Ride

The American Legion bike ride was postponed due to weather and rescheduled for June 6, though the date may change.

Clerk Lewis will follow up with organizers.

#### New Business

##### LPR Camera System

Council received an update regarding the LPR (License Plate Recognition) camera system, including a demonstration unit currently installed in Town. The system includes live view and license plate recognition capabilities.

Discussion included:

- Cost of \$5,486.42 for one camera with a 10-year license and warranty
- Solar-powered operation
- Ability to share access with law enforcement agencies
- Ongoing evaluation of effectiveness from the trial unit



Motion by Councilman Marshall: To purchase the LPR camera system as presented for \$5,486.42.

Seconded by Councilman Welch.

Vote: 5 in favor, 1 abstention.

Motion carried.

#### Budget Public Hearing

Council discussed scheduling a public hearing for the proposed FY 2026–2027 budget.

Motion by Councilman York: To set a public hearing for June 1, 2026 at 6:30 PM at the Firehouse.

Seconded by Councilman Marshall.

Motion passed unanimously.

#### Community Events and Acknowledgements

- The recent car show and tea party were held, though the car show ended early due to weather
- Appreciation was extended to all volunteers for their assistance
- Public Works was thanked for preparing the parking lot and repairing memorial lighting
- DMV staff were commended for their continued service to residents

#### Code Enforcement and Housing Concerns

Council discussed concerns regarding multiple families residing in single-family dwellings.

Staff was directed to prioritize the issue and explore enforcement options, including consultation with the Town Attorney.

#### Memorial Day Preparations

- Memorial Day service scheduled for May 25 at 10:00 AM
- Flag placement scheduled at local cemeteries with coordination at the War Memorial
- Adams Church will provide refreshments following ceremonies



## Utility and Infrastructure Discussion

### Security Lighting

A discussion was held regarding the installation of security lights on utility poles in alleyways.

Cost estimates included installation and monthly service fees.

### Fire Company Report

The Fire Company reported:

- 169 EMS calls
- 34 fire responses

Additional updates included recognition of members for years of service and ongoing radio system improvements.

### Additional Business

- Town-wide yard sale proposed for June 6 with June 13 as rain date
- Donation of sound equipment to the Fire Company acknowledged
- Discussion regarding parking at the library after hours
- Concerns regarding public conduct and overcrowding in residences
- Confirmation that a water system survey being conducted is legitimate
- General discussion on ordinance enforcement

### Adjournment 8:06 PM

Councilman Marshall made a motion to adjourn.

Seconded by Councilman York.

The motion passed unanimously.



X Frank A. Russell ii

Frank Russell, Mayor

X Lauren A. Lewis

Lauren Lewis, Clerk

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