

Town of New Richmond
Minutes of Meeting

October 1, 2025

6:00 pm

Public Hearing: Ordinance 2026 Budget

Pledge of Allegiance

1. Roll Call. Sarah Farmer-Forbes, Clerk-Treasurer; Linda Forbes, President; Rachelle Cowherd, Member; Jeb Lind, Member; Rob Reimondo, Attorney.
2. Vote. Sarah FF presented, Jeb Lind made the motion to approve the minutes, Linda F. seconded the motion, Linda F. called for a vote, motion carried. Rachelle C abstained.
3. Close public hearing.

Public Hearing: Stormwater Ordinance

1. Roll Call. Sarah Farmer-Forbes, Clerk-Treasurer; Linda Forbes, President; Rachelle Cowherd, Member; Jeb Lind, Member; Rob Reimondo, Attorney.
2. Vote. Sarah FF presented, Rachelle C. made the motion to approve the minutes, Jeb L. seconded the motion, Linda F. called for a vote, motion carried.
3. Close public hearing.

Monthly Meeting

1. Roll Call for Meeting. Sarah Farmer-Forbes, Clerk-Treasurer; Linda Forbes, President; Rachelle Cowherd, Member; Jeb Lind, Member; Rob Reimondo, Attorney.
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes September 3, 2025. Sarah FF presented, Jeb L. made the motion to approve the minutes, Rachelle C. seconded the motion, Linda F. called for a vote, motion carried.
3. Amendments/Additions to the Agenda: N/A
4. Report from Maintenance: Jay Busse not present.
5. Report from Water/Wastewater: Earl Heide not present.
6. Report from Marshal: Officer Bittinger stated there were three main areas that his focus was on recently. First, vandalism at the Post Office; Second was the shooting at an abandoned building in town; third were issues at the park with a BB gun after dark.
7. Report from the Attorney: Rob R stated he had comments on the Banning Engineering contract but would bring it up when we got to that bullet point.
8. Report from Clerk:
 - APV Register (10909-10952) Sarah FF presented, Jeb L. made the motion to approve the minutes, Rachelle C. seconded the motion, Linda F. called for a vote, motion carried.
 - APV Register (10955-10992) Sarah FF presented, Rachelle C. made the motion to approve the minutes, Jeb L. seconded the motion, Linda F. called for a vote, motion carried.
 - Billing Adjustment Register for September 2025. Sarah FF presented, Jeb L. made the motion to approve the minutes, Rachelle C. seconded the motion, Linda F. called for a vote, motion carried.

- Bank Reconciliations & Reports for May 2025. Sarah FF presented, Rachelle C. made the motion to approve the minutes, Jeb L. seconded the motion, Linda F. called for a vote, motion carried.
- Bank Reconciliations & Reports for June 2025. Sarah FF presented, Rachelle C. made the motion to approve the minutes, Jeb L. seconded the motion, Linda F. called for a vote, motion carried.
- Release Banning Engineering from services. The Board discussed letting Banning go of their As Needed contract for the Lagoon project. It was discussed why they would like to do this and Rob R. stated there were steps he would need to take to ensure it is done properly. The board stated this accepted this movement forward.
- Gary Ladd introduced himself and talked about his experience with lagoon engineering projects.

9. Old business

10. New business

- Reimbursement for Sarah FF (APV10942) Food training for 8/11-14, 2025. Sarah FF presented, Jeb L. made the motion to approve the minutes, Rachelle C. seconded the motion, Linda F. called for a vote, motion carried.
- Reimbursement for Sarah FF (APV10939) mileage for French Lick training. Sarah FF presented, Rachelle C. made the motion to approve the minutes, Jeb L. seconded the motion, Linda F. called for a vote, motion carried.
- Reimburse Larry Bittinger (APV 10956) for Marshal badge. Sarah FF presented, Rachelle C. made the motion to approve the minutes, Jeb L. seconded the motion, Linda F. called for a vote, motion carried.
- Credit Card Statement for Board to Approve. Sarah FF presented, Jeb L. made the motion to approve the minutes, Rachelle C. seconded the motion, Linda F. called for a vote, motion carried.
- Present board with suggestions on Resolution 2020-2, Utility Billing Procedure
- Mulhaupts quote for fire door keypad
- Transfer of Appropriation Fund General Fund (Resolution 2025-5) Sarah FF presented, Jeb L. made the motion to approve the minutes, Linda F. seconded the motion, Linda F. called for a vote, motion carried. Rachelle C abstained.
- Halloween Party is 5:30-8p on October 31. Trick or Treat is Oct 31, 6-8p.
- Possibly update park policy about closing times
- Suicide Awareness Bench - in the works, will make donation

12. The next Town Hall meeting is November 5, 2025 at 6pm.

13. Public Comments

- Chief recommended that we look into getting key fobs for the fire house/community room doors instead of using keys. Sarah FF said she would look into pricing.
- Jay ***** raised his concerns that he was wrongly accused of trespass at the park. The comments became angry and not appropriate for the setting. Office Bittinger asked him to leave and Rob R. said that he could contact his own legal council to discuss it or he could send him a letter stating his thoughts.

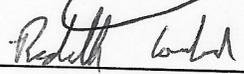
14. Adjourn



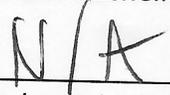
President Linda Forbes



Attest: Clerk/Treasurer: Sarah Farmer-Forbes



Council Member Rachelle Cowherd



Council Member Jebadiah Lind

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