MOSSYROCK CITY COUNCIL
MEETING with Public Workshops MINUTES
October 21, 2026

Call to order (5:37 pm)

The Mossyrock open public workshop was called to order on Wednesday October 21, at 5:37 pm in the Mossyrock Community Center for the 2027 Annual Proposed Budget.

- City Council Member Sam Schellenger inquired about the pay increase for the city employees and if it included all five employees. Mayor reported it does.
- Community member inquired about the placement of incoming funds on the City Budget vs past years. Additional remarks on the 2% liquor profits payments and the difference in Community Center Deposits, and refunds. Mayor Sasser stated the difference was due to a deposit being withheld due to excessive clean-up after the event. The 401 account, office supplies were mentioned but the Mayor explained the higher amount was due to replacing some computer monitors and purchasing a scanner.
- Buddy Rose inquired about grant funds.

Call to order (6:07 pm)

The Mossyrock open public workshop was called to order on Wednesday October 21 at 6:07 pm in the Mossyrock Community Center for the Growth Management Development Regulations update for the Growth Management.

- Sam Schellenger inquired the process of increasing our marketing area, rezoning different ideas.
- Mayor Sasser added that there are ways that a businessperson could create a business within city limits by working with the City of Mossyrock. The City has an interest in businesses in Mossyrock and the tax revenue.

- Dale Tongue (Community Member) spoke about looking for support from the City to create a group to share information about being prepared for an emergency event where we are cut off from other areas and services. Ideas that were expressed:
    a. Low Power radio station in town that can give information on what to do or where to go. It was suggested that the station could be put in a Connex box. Dale suggested we could would work with the FCC to get a license and have volunteers to run the radio station.
    b. Mayor Sasser suggested that we investigate possible funding and could add information to our city website for people to reach out to Dale to learn more.

City Council; Call to order (6:37 pm)

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call:
Present: Juliana Simon, Ron Lindgren, Samual Schellenger, Teresa Quinlan
Excused Absences: Mark Thompson
A quorum was established.

Approval of Agenda
June vouchers were approved by Ron Lindgren and Teresa Quinlan. A **motion** was made to approve and consent the agenda by Julianna Simon and Teresa Quinlan **seconded** the motion. No further discussion. **Motion passed** unanimously.

Staff and Committee Reports

Public Works Report (Randall Sasser)

Mayor Sasser reported that the public works (PW) team has been busy performing normal day-to-day activities this past month. We have been looking at the budget and inquiring about replenishing stock for next year for the water/sewer side. This quarter's water loss report puts us at 37.3% loss. This is mainly due to water leaks around town. Mayor Sasser said that many times we do not know about a leak until we are digging for something else and locating the leak. We are looking in the future at replacing the water reservoirs on Coleman because they are cracking and actively leaking. He is currently having our Engineers look further into this project. The school had shown concerns of overgrown vegetation on Ellis impeding full vision for bus drivers. The City has added two bus signs and reached out to the homeowner to request clearing the overgrown vegetation.

Law Enforcement (Chief Cournyer) – September 2026

Report was submitted to City Clerk, who shared report for council members to review. Mayor Sasser asked Jessica Bragg, Treasurer (in attendance) to assist in finding out if we receive any revenue from speeding tickets in Mossyrock. Report shows that calls are lower than in the past 6 months.

Treasurer Report – June 2026

Prepared by Jessica Bragg, City Treasurer / Read by Amy Edgington – Detailed financial overview for September 2026 was presented to City Council members. No questions were raised. The report was accepted. There will be an open public hearing in regard to the 2027 budget before the next City Council Meeting scheduled for November 18, 2026 at 5:30 pm.

Mayor Sasser added that in 2027 we were looking to do an upgrade inside of City Hall, especially the bathroom. We anticipate the project to take around $50,000.00. Sasser indicated that most work will be done in house, except for things like electrical and plumbing.

Park Department (Marcia Manley)
Parks board did not meet as originally planned. Marcia made the comment that they really did not have any pressing matters and suggested the ordinance be changed from monthly to as needed basis. Mayor Sasser suggested quarterly or as needed. They had looked at the draft language in the Comp plan for Parks Recreation and open spaces and made suggested changes.

Planning Commission (Marcia Manley)

Planning Commission (PC) met on October 12 and discussed the development regulations. PC reviewed some language and made some changes based on notes from Commence.

Public Comments

None offered.

New Business

- Dale Toongue, self-labeled Prepper. Has experience in food preservation through canning, freeze-drying. He would like to encourage people to share knowledge with others to create a community that prepares for unknown. Mayor suggested that maybe a meeting place could be advertised to see what kind of interest is in the area. He suggested the community center as a possible location. The meeting could have examples of things you could do to be better prepared, sample food items…This event could also have information about the HAM radio. Buddy Rose suggested that Mossyrock Grange might be a good resource for this possible group.

Old Business:

none

Other Items:

- **Halloween Events**
  Free Event being hosted by Mossyrock Area Action League for kids and families 10/23 from 6-8pm
  Mossyrock PTO – School Parking Lot from 5-7:30 pm; Trunk or Treat
  Road Rebels – Truck or Treat at Mossyrock Auto Parts Store from 4-6 pm
  Assembly of God – Trunk or Treat 5-7 pm
  Mayor Sasser; took a community members comment to possibly shut down State Street for Truck or Treaters to set up and give a safe place for kids to trick or treat. He expressed that this could be something to be looked at in the future.
- **Christmas Town Photo** (Mossyrock Action League) Re-creation of the 1986 photo located in the Pioneer from when a local tree was taken to the White House. This photo would kick off the Christmas event, encourage people into local businesses, attend the Tree lighting Party with silent auction baskets, sing Christmas carols with Mossyrock High School's band and watch Santa arrive with Mossyrock Fire on the fire truck. The picture could be made into postcards and sold at the Mossyrock Visitors Center. The goal is to make this a tradition in Mossyrock and a reason to "Come back to Mossyrock and stay awhile".

Julianna Simon **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 pm. Sam Schellenger **seconded** the motion. No further discussion needed. **Motion passed** unanimously. Next City Council meeting is November 18, 2026 at 6:00pm, after open public hearing for the 2027 City Budget at 5:30pm.