

COLTON TOWN HALL MINUTES
May 5th, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:27 p.m. Members in attendance were Mayor Jerry Weber, Sam Keller, Kyle White, Dot Sharp, Jim Dahmen and Chuck DeMeerleer. Also in attendance were Jenni Straughan, Shanna from Lewis Clark Recycling, Terry Nab and Ron Weik.

Minutes: Jim Dahmen motioned to accept the minutes and Chuck DeMeerleer seconded the motion. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed and approved.

Warrants: Warrants, as follows, were approved, with a motion by Jim Dahmen and a second by Chuck DeMeerleer. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

Salary and Benefits

Warrant #903321-903330 for: \$10,277.56
Void check #903320

Warrant #'s 909407-909426 for:

General:	\$ 1,038.51
Streets:	\$10,139.56
Real Estate Excise:	\$
Cumulative Reserve:	\$
Water/Sewer:	\$ 4,202.86
Subtotal:	\$ 15,380.93
Grand Total:	\$ 25,658.49

New Business:

Terry Nab:

Terry handed out new business cards. Terry explained that he is working out of his home and because of this his rates are a lot less. He charges \$75 an hour and \$45 for a draftsman. He said that the town's facility plan was approved by DOE. He suggested that the next step would be to fix the infiltration problems and that spending money on cleaning and tv-ing the lines would make the most sense. He explained that the lagoons do not need aerators. He said that the town is in great shape and should be able to continue discharging for years without any issues. He said that the permit that the town will receive is less stringent than its previous one. Jenni explained to the council that TD and H was supposed to pull the tidbits and collect the data. She said that she received an email from them suggesting that our current engineer should do this. After speaking with Mayor Weber, Jenni emailed TD and H and told them that the Mayor said that pulling the tidbits and collecting the data was part of the project, and that he would like them to do it. TD and H has not returned the email.

Ron Weik:

Ron introduced himself to the council and explained that he was trying to buy the house at 904 Gregor Street, but that there is a singlewide mobile home on it and Sterling Bank wants to ensure that it was on the property legally in regards to zoning restrictions. Jenni drew up a letter for the bank stating that the mobile home was legally on the property. Mayor Weber signed it.

Water Line Break:

When the boring company was boring in town they hit one of the town's water lines on Steptoe Street. The map did not show the line that was hit, so when Steve marked the lines, that one was not marked. It cost approximately \$4,000 to fix and the council wanted Jenni to call HUB International and see if an insurance claim could be done.

Meet the Neighbors:

Jenni explained that the Daily News has called her several times wanting a suggestion on who would be a good person to interview and showcase. There were lots of suggestions.

Ongoing Business:

Lewis Clark Recycling:

Shanna reviewed the five year contract with the council. She passed out brochure examples that the town would send out, educating the residents about the new

recycling program. After some discussion, Dot Sharp motioned to sign the contract with Lewis and Clark Recycling and Kyle White seconded the motion. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all. The council figured that they would need about 1000 brochures for both Colton and Uniontown and rural. Steve will call Shanna when the site is prepped and ready for the bins to be brought up. Mayor Weber said that he spoke with Brian Davies and that Uniontown Council would be willing to help out with the initial cost of the bins. Shanna will send the contract and then after Mayor Weber signs it, Jenni will scan it and send it back to her.

Website:

Mayor Weber said that he decided to move forward with Bo Ossinger doing the town's website. He contacted all the council members and everyone was in agreement to move forward with Bo. He is very reasonable and does a good job. Dot Sharp spoke with several towns and they were all pleased with him. Jenni said that she asked Bo what would the town do if he could not update the website. He told her that his daughter would be available and he was also going to work to find someone else he could train. He said that he would be willing to train Jenni. He would give the town all of the passwords just in case something did happen to him. He has been working on the new website and it looks very nice, he has included a court link, which also has forms that can be filled out.

It was suggested that Jenni send letters to all of the businesses/schools in town requesting information and pictures of their entity to be added to the business section on the website. She will also request this information in the newsletter. The ordinances have not been codified yet, but when they are they will be added to the website. It was also suggested that scenic byways, MRSC, Pullman Chamber of Commerce be linked to the town's website.

Spring Clean-up:

Spring Clean-up went well, the bin did not fill up.

60 Mile an Hour Signs Moved:

Jenni told the council that she contacted DOT a week ago and they responded today, stating that they kind of forgot about it. He said that he would send it off to a committee to be approved and he was hoping that the signs would be moved by the end of the month.

Heater/Air Conditioner in Police Office:

Three bids were received to replace the heater/AC in the police office. The lowest bid was Mike's Heating for \$1,755 plus tax. Chuck DeMeerleer motioned to accept Mike's

bid and Sam Keller seconded the motion. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

Crack Sealing:

Mayor Weber reviewed a bid from Stripes A Lot for crack sealing a bunch of streets in town. The bid was \$4,078 for crack sealing 6,233 linear feet of street. Sam Keller motioned to accept the bid and Chuck DeMeerleer seconded the motion. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

McArthur Rented House:

Jenni explained that McArthur's water bill was way past due, they owe \$271.00 and that she received a call from Brandy stating that they were going to pay it on the first. Jenni found out that they were served an eviction notice and that they had to be out of the house by the first. Jenni called Mayor Weber and explained the situation, he told her that if the water bill was not paid the next day that their water would need to be shut off. Officer Keller went to their home and told them this and also told them that they needed to get rid of their pit bull because that breed is prohibited in town. They said that they would. Unfortunately they still have not paid the bill and the water could not be turned off because the meter is located inside the home. The bill was then sent to the home's actual owner, Alan Cleveland. The pit bull is still at the home and Brian has been up there and no one has answered the door. He is going to issue a citation for the pit bull and when Steve returns from vacation, he will dig out the yard and put in an outside meter.

Back Hoe:

Mayor Weber said that he spoke with Brian Davies about the back hoe and about splitting the maintenance. He asked Jenni to send him the agreement between the two towns. The back hoe needs to be fixed and also needs to be maintained. Steve will bring it to Western States. Sam Keller said that the new truck doesn't have a hitch. Mayor Weber said that there is a hitch sitting at his work that no one uses and he will ask if they would donate it to the town.

TIB Seminar:

Mayor Weber said that he and Steve and Munir will attend this seminar on June 11th.

Palouse Scenic Byway Sign:

Dot Sharp told the council that the new scenic byway sign will be put in near the steam engine on town property.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Sam Keller and seconded by Chuck DeMeerleer. The motion was carried by voice and passed by all. The meeting adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Approved By Mayor

Attested By Clerk

