

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 19, 2014
6:00 P.M.

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Mayor KayDee Gilkey called the August 19, 2014 regular council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor and Town Council members present: Harry Gibbons, Alene Felgenhauer, George Davidson, Valerie Rogers and Emily Thomas.

Others present: Dennis Fuller from Century West, Jeannie Jesseph and Cheryl Loeffler.

Approval of Minutes

ACTION

Harry Gibbons motioned to approve the minutes as read from the August 5, 2014 regular council meeting, seconded by Alene Felgenhauer. The motion carried.

Approval of the Claims

ACTION

Valerie Rogers made a motion to approve payroll EFTs #E273-E277 totaling \$5,123.62 and E278 and checks 17637-17652 totaling \$134,038.94 as presented. Harry Gibbons seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Claims: \$129,404.25

Payroll: 9,758.31

Total Claims: \$139,162.56

Check Register signed by: Valerie Rogers, Harry Gibbons and Alene Felgenhauer.

ACTION

Harry Gibbons motioned to approve Valerie Rogers' absence for the August 5, 2014 regular council meeting due to being on vacation, seconded by Emily Thomas. The motion carried.

Engineer Report

Dennis Fuller

I&I report

Dennis Fuller from Century West reported on the results of the Inflow and Infiltration project. With all of the sewer system improvements that have been done, the discharge has decreased significantly. The future mandates may be that there will be no discharge allowed into the creek. The new NPDES permit will have some changes to it, but it has not been seen yet.

Main Street Reconstruction

During removal of the existing sidewalk on the north side of Main St, an abandoned 2-ft diameter brick-lined well was discovered under the existing sidewalk. State requirements require the abandoned well to be properly decommissioned. Decommissioning the well is also necessary to construct the new sidewalk. **\$2554.61**

During removal of the existing sidewalk, a water leak was discovered between the water meter and the mercantile building. Investigations by the contractor and the Town staff determined that the leak did not appear to be caused by construction activities. It is necessary to repair the leak before the area can be prepped for the new sidewalk. **\$673.80.**

Dennis asked the council to approve Change Order #2 in the amount of \$3,228.41 for decommission of the well on the north side of Main Street and to repair the water service.

ACTION

Harry motioned to approve Change Order #2 as presented, seconded by Alene. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

SCOPE furnace

With the confusion of what SCOPE is going to do, it was decided to fix the furnace instead of doing a complete replacement. Shrode Furnace came to examine and then fixed the furnace in the SCOPE building for \$226.61. It had not been cleaned for years. It should last quite a long time now.

Community Center

Ted Lambert came down last week and evaluated the two doors at the Community Center. His comment was that it would be best to replace them as they are not designed for commercial use. He was to have a bid here today but it did not come.

NEW BUSINESS

CDBG Funds

The Town received information from Pat Stretch that the updated Area Wide Benefit guidance was recently released on CPD Notice 14-8. It is very clear that the 2014 project which was previously recommended for funding in Fairfield will no longer be eligible, since the Town of Fairfield no longer qualifies as a low/moderate area wide benefit municipality. We are currently drafting a letter stating our direction, which will include a request for waiver from HUD headquarters. Subsequently, we won't be able to release the executed subrecipient agreement since it is no longer eligible until a waiver is granted. This will affect funding in the future until it can be changed, most likely with an income survey. KayDee will make some phone calls and we will begin looking into an income survey and will look into the possibility of help from Department of Health and attending the IACC in Wenatchee the end of September.

New Year's Eve event

The council discussed sponsoring a New Year's Eve celebration, similar to what we did last year. The discussion of combining with other organizations to make it a "community" event was well received by the council. KayDee and Cheryl will work on a letter after Labor Day.

Cemetery mowing

KayDee met with Harry Hughes last week regarding the expectations the council and cemetery board have regarding the upkeep of the cemetery. KayDee will work on the contract so it is more explicit for the next year. Harry was instructed to mow the lawn one more time and then the LDS group will be asked if they would do the autumn raking as part of their volunteerism.

Utility bill

A resident has made small payments on their utility bill but is not catching up. They were sent the shut-off notice but is asking the council to not shut them off. After much discussion, the council is asking for half of payment by the shut-off date or it will be shut off.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

WATER

- VOC testing will be completed this month on wells #1, #2 and #5 with Nitrate testing to be done in November. That will conclude source testing for the year.
- Numerous water leaks have been discovered and fixed during the last two months; if you suspect a leak please notify City Hall.

WWTF

- U.V. Lights are being installed as time allows before discharging commences.
- Pond levels are still very low, retention until the end of October is looking very possible.
- Screen Tubs will be re-plumbed with a hard straight hose to alleviate clogging problems.
- Generator has been serviced by Pacific Power for the year.

PARKS

- Park Vandalism seems to be slowing down, nothing to report for damage this month.
- Garbage and debris are picked up daily. Thank you to those that are making sure the garbage is put in the garbage cans!

ROADS

- Road side repair is being done due to some storm damage and washouts in select locations.
- Roads are taking a beating from heavy truck traffic on small side roads; possible designated truck routes are being established and will be implemented after Main Street construction is completed.
- Storm sewers are being jetted and vacuumed on Ticknor, base of Main and corner of Johnson and Brewster. Drains are full of silt and gravel from previous hard rains and are not operating properly at this time. Should be complete by the end of August, if all goes well.

OTHER: UTV bids are in, being reviewed by council for final approval.

OTHER

Vacation Reminder

Cheryl is taking vacation August 25 through Sept 3. Jeannie will be gone August 28-29. KayDee will open the office on Thursday 8-10 and Friday 1-3.

George reported that he has been running people out of Hart Park around 11:30 pm.

COMPLAINTS/COMPLIMENTS

None this time.

ADJOURN

With no further business, the council meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Mayor KayDee Gilkey

Clerk/Treasurer Cheryl Loeffler