
Town of Latah

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

For July 07, 2015

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Douglas Arnold called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Council members present at the meeting were: Garry Greenwalt, Patricia Neumann, Cathy Dunkle and Steve Leitz. Also present was Clerk/Treasurer, Heidi Turnbough. Miles Boulton presented an invocation. Larry LaBolle was absent.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Douglas Arnold asked those present to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND TOWN EMPLOYEES:**
- The Clerk reported unpaid dog fines for the Feltwell's and asked council about collection. Cathy Dunkle made a motion to send a final letter and allow 15 days for payment then turn it over for collection. Patricia Neumann seconded the motion. All council members voted yes.
- IV. READING OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:** The meeting minutes for June 02, 2015 were presented. Garry Greenwalt made a motion to accept the meeting minute as written. Cathy Dunkle seconded the motion; all council members voted yes.
- V. PRESENTATION OF VOUCHERS, WARRANTS, FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS:** The Clerk/Treasurer presented check numbers 7383 and 7393-7407 totaling \$10,271.76 as well as payroll check numbers 7384 through 7392 with EFT payment for 941 payment totaling \$4,460.53. Cathy Dunkle made a motion to accept the financial statements as presented. Patricia Neumann seconded the motion; all council members voted yes.
- VI. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, APPLICATIONS, COMPLAINTS, APPEALS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC:**
- Loss Prevention Grant.
 - Water Tank Lease Agreements with Ecliptixnet and Cougar Wireless. Mayor Arnold signed the revised agreement with Ecliptixnet. The council chose to leave the Cougar Wireless contract as written because they are contracting their own power with Avista.
 - Complaint regarding nuisance property at 318 W. Bridge. The mayor was going to contact the resident on Friday, July 10 regarding the complaint.
 - Complaint regarding the tall grass at 114 S. Vine. The council heard the complaint. Christina Greenwalt was present and volunteered to weed whack the town right-of-way around the property.
 - Dept. of Ecology workshop. Cathy Dunkle and Christina Greenwalt wished to attend.

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. HANSEN FENCE REMOVAL FROM RIGHT-OF-WAY:** The clerk gave an update on Steve Haxton's progress on the fence removal. The fence was being removed from the tree in the middle of the town right-of-way to the barn.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. WELL HOUSE DESIGN:** Layne Merritt presented to council preliminary designs for the well house. There was discussion of the floor plan. Steve Leitz had a question regarding well #2 there was discussion about getting pump #2 functional again. The cost estimate will be available at the August meeting. Color choices were discussed. A new pump in the well house was discussed if the budget allows in the grant. Wireless electrical in the well house will be moved to a power pole outside the well house. Repairing the noon siren was also discussed.

- B. ANIMAL CONTROL:** The clerk explained to the council the hiring process to hire an animal control officer. Garry Greenwalt volunteered to be the animal control officer. Mr. Greenwalt shared an incidence of two dogs in town that killed two farm animals. Patricia Neumann made a motion to allow the mayor to hire an animal control officer. Cathy Dunkle seconded the motion. Garry Greenwalt recused himself from the conversation. Mayor Arnold hired Garry Greenwalt as the animal control officer. Cathy Dunkle made a motion to pay Mr. Greenwalt \$50.00 per call plus expenses. Steve Leitz seconded the motion. The clerk stated that she would add \$250.00 to the budget line. Garry Greenwalt returned to the council.

IX. ROUNDTABLE:

The clerk presented to the council the 2015 budget position. The line items over 50% of the budget spent were discussed.

Steve Leitz requested a building permit for a garage he is building.

- X. ADJOURNMENT:** Patricia Neumann made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:14p.m. Garry Greenwalt seconded the motion; all council members voted yes.

APPROVED:



Douglas Arnold- Mayor

ATTEST:


Heidi Turnbough- Clerk/Treasurer