

**COLTON TOWN HALL MINUTES**  
**May 6th, 2019**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:25 p.m. Members in attendance were Dot Sharp, Cory Cucchiara, Kyle White, Scott Miller, Sam Keller and Mayor Jerry Weber. Clerk Jenni Straughan, Steve Bremer and Mike Howard and Ed Robertson were also in attendance.

**Minutes:** Sam Keller motioned to accept the minutes and Dot Sharp 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 Dot Sharp and a second by Scott Miller. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

Salary and Benefits

Warrant #904361-904372 for: \$12,312.99

Warrant #'s 910548-910566 for:

General:	\$ 8,355.73
Streets:	\$ 2,437.89
Real Estate Excise:	\$
Cemetery:	\$
Water/Sewer:	\$ 2,625.35
Subtotal:	\$13,418.97
Grand Total:	\$25,731.96

## **New Business:**

### **Public Hearing for Mike Howard:**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:27 p.m. Members in attendance were Dot Sharp, Cory Cucchiara, Kyle White, Scott Miller, Sam Keller and Mayor Jerry Weber. Clerk Jenni Straughan, Steve Bremer and Mike Howard and Ed Robertson were also in attendance.

Mike Howard told the council that he would like a variance to increase the eave height on his pole building by 6 feet. Ed Robertson, his neighbor, said that he and Colby Schlee both had concerns about how high the building was going to be. Mike said that it would not be as high as his home's roof and that it would be set next to his home, so pretty far from the street. Sam Keller motioned to close the public hearing and Scott Miller seconded the motion. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all. The public hearing closed at 7:39 p.m.

## **New Business:**

### **Steve Bremer:**

Steve told the council that he asked for bids from 3 businesses and only got two bids back. Herco's bid was \$12,882.10 and Poe's bid was for \$11,000. Mayor Weber told the council that the church will probably help pay for it. After much discussion, Sam Keller motioned to accept Poe's bid and Kyle White seconded the motion. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

### **Patch Work Bids:**

Steve told the council that there are a lot of patching areas that need to be fixed around town. He requested bids from several companies but only one gave the town a bid. Legacy Paving bid \$3,449.60. Sam Keller motioned to accept Legacy's bid and Dot Sharp seconded the motion. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

### **Water Leaks:**

Steve told the council that over the last six months when meters were only guesstimated, Rick Heitstuman and Aaron Kramer both had leaks. Since the town didn't read the meters during that time, the homeowners were not charged the overage.

**Howard Variance:**

Dot Sharp motioned to accept the variance for Mike Howard. Cory Cucchiara seconded the motion. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

**Pressure System Test:**

Steve told the council that before the water tower gets painted that he would like to do another pressure system test to ensure that everything is working properly before the water tank is taken off line. It was suggested to send two letters one on May 20<sup>th</sup> and one on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, reminding residents to not water during the water tank painting.

**Edwardsen Property:**

Residents that live near the Edwardsen property are concerned about the way it looks. Currently no one is living there and it is very unsightly. Jenni will talk to the homeowner about this issue.

**2018 Yearend Report:**

Mayor Weber reviewed the 2018 yearend report.

**Audit:**

Jenni told the council that the town is currently going through an audit for the 2017-2018 years. There was a question from the auditor about fund appropriations for street, water and sewer accounts. Jenni will get clarification on this.

**Bridge Report:**

Mayor Weber reviewed the Bridge Report that Whitman County sent the town.

**Old Business:****Howard and McMahan's Wetland Report:**

Steve told the council that since both Mike Howard and Blaine McMahan were building close to the creek that it was recommended by DOE to have both properties inspected by a Wetland Specialist to ensure that the wetland will not be directly impacted. Both homeowners got the ok from the Wetland Specialist to build, although Mr. McMahan had some provisions to follow to ensure that the wetland would not be directly impacted.

**Bids for Painting Water Tank:**

Munir Daud completed the award paperwork and the lowest bidder was Wilbur Fletcher, Inc with a bid of \$109,956.00. Scott Miller motioned to accept Wilbur Fletcher, Inc.'s bid and Kyle White seconded the motion. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

**Bids for TIB Project:**

Munir Daud completed the award paperwork and the only bidder was Stripes A Lot, with a bid of \$31,011.00. Scott Miller motioned to accept Stripe's A Lot bid and Dot Sharp seconded the motion. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

**Elections Filings:**

Jenni told the council members that she emailed them a link to file for re-election. The online and in person dates are May 13<sup>th</sup>-May 17<sup>th</sup>.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Sam Keller and seconded by Scott Miller. The motion was carried by voice and passed by all. The meeting adjourned 8:34 p.m.

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Approved By Mayor

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Attested By Clerk

