

**COLTON TOWN HALL MINUTES**  
**July 2nd, 2018**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Members in attendance were Mayor Jerry Weber, Dot Sharp, Chuck DeMeerleer, Laci Hubbard Mattix, Kyle White and. Sam Keller was absent. Clerk Jenni Straughan, Scott Miller and Steve Bremer were also in attendance.

**Minutes:** Chuck DeMeerleer motioned to accept the minutes and Laci Hubbard Mattix 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 Chuck DeMeerleer. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

Salary and Benefits

Warrant #904225-904235 for: \$12,041.89

Warrant #'s 910351-910367 for:

General:	\$3,198.02
Streets:	\$ 2,355.56
Real Estate Excise:	\$
Cemetery:	\$
Water/Sewer:	\$ 7,915.11
Subtotal:	\$13,468.69
Grand Total:	\$ 25,510.58

**New Business:****LCV Healthcare Foundation Grant:**

Mayor Weber reviewed a grant application that Jenni filled out for painting the inside of the water tank. It has been submitted.

**Newsletter:**

Jenni will send out a newsletter in the next couple of weeks updating the residents of what has been going on.

**Chuck DeMeerleer's Leaving his Council Position:**

Chuck told the council that he will be leaving the council after next month's meeting. He is moving to Johnson and can no longer be on the council. Scott Miller has been to the last few council meetings and Chuck said that he would love to be his replacement. Dot Sharp motioned to appoint Scott Miller to Council position #1, and Kyle White seconded the motion. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

**Streets:**

Steve told the council that the gravel streets were surveyed and there were some issues. It was decided to pave the streets as they are.

**Well Pump:**

Steve told the council that the well pump went down and that the town is running off of the small pump. He has contacted Phil to come and look at it. It will likely have to be pulled and rebuilt. This could cost between \$20,000-\$40,000. At this time, the small pump is running well and the water tank is full.

**Weeds:**

Dot Sharp told the council that she was concerned about Edwardson's noxious weeds. Jenni explained that she talked with Jeremy and that he said his uncle would be moving in soon and would take care of the yard. It was decided that a letter would be sent to him, giving him 30 days to take care of the weed problem or that the town would hire someone to do it, at \$100 an hour. Jenni will send the letter tomorrow.

**Letter from Whitman County:**

Mayor Weber read letter from Whitman County approving the chip seal for next year from the TIB grant project.

**Resolution #751 Six Year Street Plan:**

Mayor Weber reviewed the 6 Year Street Plan. There were no changes. Chuck DeMeerleer motioned to accept Resolution #751. Kyle White seconded the motion. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

**Sidewalk on Fountain:**

Dot Sharp was very concerned about the sidewalk coming up on Fountain. She said that so many school kids walk it every day and it is unsafe. The tree's roots have caused it to crack and raise up. Jenni will call for bids on removing the tree.

**Classes in Tri Cities:**

Steve told the council that he has classes in Richland July 26-27<sup>th</sup> for his FTE's to maintain his certification.

**Old Business:**

**Edwardsen Property:**

Dot Sharp was concerned about the noxious weeds on Edwardsen's property, she was also concerned that the building permit is way past a year and it has not been completed. Jenni told Dot that a letter was put on his door about the weeds and the water bill.

**Roof Bids:**

Steve said that he will get bid and have this done before winter.

**Police Car:**

Kyle White suggested that with all of the upcoming expenditures that replacing the police car should probably be put on the back burner.

**Fence Company:**

The new fence is up and looks great.

Mayor Weber and Steve are planning on attending the TIB Meeting in Oakesdale next week.

**Steve Bremer:**

**Streets:**

**TIB Project:**

Steve told the council that the surveyor from MD +A was supposed to survey the street, but it has not been done yet.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Chuck DeMeerleer and seconded by Dot Sharp. The motion was carried by voice and passed by all. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

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Approved By Mayor

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Attested By Clerk

