

COLTON TOWN HALL MINUTES
November 3rd, 2014

The Meeting was called to order at 7:25. Members in attendance were Mayor Jerry Weber, Sam Keller, Jim Dahmen, Kyle White, Chuck DeMeerleer and Dot Sharp. Deputy Clerk Caryl Keller and Steve Bremer were also in attendance.

Minutes: Chuck DeMeerleer motioned to accept the minutes and Kyle White 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 Sam Keller and a second by Chuck DeMeerleer. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

Salary and Benefits

Warrant #903719-903728 for: \$10,239.44

Warrant #'s 909514-909532 for:

General:	\$ 6,885.28
Streets:	\$ 1,536.78
Real Estate Excise:	\$
Cumulative Reserve:	\$
Water/Sewer:	\$ 3,692.97
Subtotal:	\$ 12,115.03
Grand Total:	\$ 22,354.47

Steve Bremer:

Steve told the council that he had talked to Terry Nab and that Terry could put together a bid package for scoping the lines. It will go out for bid probably in January. The cost would be no more than \$12,000.00, not including Terry's bill. The council told Steve to go ahead and have Terry do this. Steve also mentioned that he is about done helping Andy McCann in Uniontown with their water tower issues.

Legion Park:

The cost of trimming the trees ended up being \$1900.00 for 7 trees to be done. The town sent a check for \$500.00 and legion will pay the difference.

Excavator Agreement:

Mayor Weber stated he still has heard nothing on this.

NEW BUSINESS:

Colton High School: Steve has asked that a water valve be put in on the street towards the new road for future use while the expansion work is going on at Colton High School. It will cost about \$850.00

Resolution #729:

Mayor Weber reviewed Resolution #729 which lets CIAW(Cities Insurance Association of Washington) change their ending fiscal year to December 31st. Dot Sharp motioned to accept Resolution #729 and Sam Keller seconded the motion. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

COMMUNICATIONS:**Town of Shelton, WA:**

Mayor Weber received a letter about joining a coalition for the Centennial Clean Water Fund. He will check into this.

COAST Transport:

Coast transport sent a letter asking for our written support as they try to get continued funding for their services to small communities. They are trying to get grants for a new bus and for continuation of existing services. Caryl will send them a letter acknowledging the council's support.

WCFD#14:

Mayor Weber read a letter from the Board of Commissioners of WCFD#14 concerning their wanting to expand the current Fire Station to the East and North and asking the council to work with them on getting this additional land. Caryl will send them a letter expressing the council's support and that the council will be glad to work with them on this.

WSDOT:

WSDOT has developed a GIS (Geographic Information System) database of all public roads for Highway Performance Monitoring system reporting. They are requesting information on who their contact person should be for our town. Steve Bremer will be the town's contact person and Caryl will email WSDOT all the information that they are requesting.

Whitman County Library:

Mayor Weber received an email (and letter) pertaining to the Colton Library and the Board of Trustees are very happy with everything going on with the Library and its programs. Bob Bates was recently honored by Whitman County Library.

Dot Sharp:

Palouse Highways has ordered a sign for our town and will be sending it for display on Main Street. It was suggested that it be put up by the steam engine in front of Town Hall.

Veteran's Dinner and Meeting:

Dot Sharp told the council that on November 11th there will be a meeting and dinner and at that time they will discuss future maintenance of the Legion Park.

Christmas Lights:

There is not a Christmas Committee anymore so if lights are going to be up people will have to take care of their own streets. There are plenty of trees in storage if someone needs one. Also, students from CHS might help too. The fireman in town will be putting up some of the trees also. Dot and Steve will put up the Christmas Banners on the light poles on Main Street.

A motion was made Sam Keller and seconded by Chuck Demeerleer to close the regular meeting. Meeting closed at 8:40.

The Council went into Executive Session at 8:40 to discuss raises.

Raises:

Chuck DeMeerleer motioned to give employees a 2 ½% raise. It was seconded by Dot Sharp. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all. Executive session was closed at 8:55.

Regular session reconvened at 8:55. A motion was made Sam Keller and seconded by Chuck Demeerleer to close the regular meeting. Meeting closed at 8:58.

Approved By Mayor

Attested By Clerk

