

**COLTON TOWN HALL MINUTES**  
**December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:28. Members in attendance were Mayor Jerry Weber, Sam Keller, Jim Dahmen, and Chuck DeMeerleer. Kyle White and Dot Sharp were absent. Clerk Jenni Straughan and Steve Bremer were also in attendance.

**Minutes:** Chuck DeMeerleer motioned to accept the minutes and Sam Keller 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 #903729-903744 for: \$16,244.65

Warrant #'s 909533-909552 for:

General:	\$ 12,043.01
Streets:	\$ 2,988.57
Real Estate Excise:	\$
Cumulative Reserve:	\$
Water/Sewer:	\$ 9,596.60
Subtotal:	\$ 24,628.18
Grand Total:	\$ 40,872.83

**New Business:****Public Hearing on Ordinance #490:**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:28. Members in attendance were Mayor Jerry Weber, Sam Keller, Jim Dahmen, and Chuck DeMeerleer. Kyle White and Dot Sharp were absent. Clerk Jenni Straughan and Steve Bremer were also in attendance.

The council reviewed the 2015 Budget. Jim Dahmen motioned to close the public hearing, Chuck DeMeerleer seconded the motion. The public hearing closed at 7:38 p.m.

**Ordinance #490:**

Jim Dahmen motioned to accept Ordinance #490, the 2015 Budget. Chuck DeMeerleer seconded the motion. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

**Steve Bremer:**

Steve told the council that he received a letter from Department of Health regarding the water plan update. Steve will contact Terry Nab to see if he will do the water plan update.

**Cemetery:**

Mayor Weber discussed fixing some of the headstones in the Town Cemetery. There is a budget for the cemetery and he will check into how much it will cost to fix some of the headstones.

**Resolution #731:**

Mayor Weber reviewed the Public Records Resolution that Stephen Bishop prepared for the town. Chuck DeMeerleer motioned to accept Resolution #731 and Sam Keller seconded the motion. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

**Christmas Hours:**

The council approved for Town Hall to be closed December 24<sup>th</sup> through December 29<sup>th</sup>.

**School Crossing Flashing Lights:**

Jim Dahmen brought up to the council that he has never seen students crossing during the lunch hour and that the morning and afternoon crossing times should be shortened because it slows up traffic unnecessarily. It was decided to change the times for the flashing lights to 7:45 a.m.-8:20 a.m. and 2:45 p.m.-3:20 p.m. There will be no more noon flashing lights. Jenni will call the Transportation Department and get these changed.

**AWC Center for Quality Communities Scholarship:**

Mayor Weber read a letter from AWC Center for Quality Communities regarding nominating a 2015 graduating senior for a \$1,250 college scholarship. Mayor Weber suggested that Jenni send the letter to Jeff Briney, Colton High School Counselor, to see who he suggests the town nominate.

**Ongoing Business:**

**Jacobson House at 1103 Lake Street:**

Jenni told the council that the bank sent a check for over \$1,000 to pay for the past water/sewer bill. She called Valley Empire Collection to inform them that it had been paid and they told her that Jacobson’s paid the bill last week. Jenni called the bank and told them about the payment. They stopped payment on the check and said that they will pay the small balance. This house has been sold.

**TIB:**

The town received denial letters for the two TIB applications that were submitted for Summit Street and the bridge.

**TVing the Sewer Lines:**

Steve said that they will wait until spring to hire someone to do this.

**Codifying Ordinance:**

Jenni told the council that she spoke with Attorney, Stephen Bishop about codifying the town’s ordinances and he said that have been codified, but they are not typed yet. They will pay minimum wage for someone willing to type approximately 200 pages.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Jim Dahmen and seconded by Sam Keller. The motion was carried by voice and passed by all. The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

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Approved By Mayor

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Attested By Clerk