

COLTON TOWN HALL MINUTES
March 2nd, 2015

The Meeting was called to order at 7:25 p.m. Members in attendance were Mayor Jerry Weber, Chuck DeMeerleer, Sam Keller, Jim Dahmen, Kyle White, Dot Sharp and Jim Dahmen. Clerk Jenni Straughan and Steve Bremer 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 Chuck DeMeerleer. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

Salary and Benefits

Warrant #903766-903775 for: \$10,543.98
(Void warrants #903776,903777,903778,903779,903780 and 903781)

Warrant #'s 909578-909593 for:

General:	\$ 1,190.67
Streets:	\$ 102.48
Real Estate Excise:	\$
Cumulative Reserve:	\$
Water/Sewer:	\$ 1,709.83
Subtotal:	\$ 3,002.98
 Grand Total:	 \$ 13,546.96

New Business:**Loan 405, Reservoir Bond:**

Mayor Weber read a letter from the USDA Rural Development regarding refinancing Loan 405. The council decided that there is enough money in reserves to pay it off. Dot Sharp motioned to pay the \$27,000 out of reserves, to pay off this loan. Jim Dahmen seconded the motion, the vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

Uniontown:

Steve told the council that they hired a new guy and that he is very smart and will do a great job.

McKinley Street:

Steve spoke with the contractor to find out how much it would cost to replace 400 feet of pavement on McKinley Street. He was quoted around \$37,000. He will get a bid from Herco also.

Yield Sign:

Steve will put up another yield sign by Dale Foley's house. The other one, disappeared.

Ongoing Business:**Sewer Video:**

Steve told the council that he will be scheduling the tv'ing at the end of March or beginning of April. There is a concern about not being able to reach the man hole on Heitstuman's property.

Speeding in Town:

A concerned resident told Steve that there is a black truck that speeds through town on College Street several times a day. The owner of the truck has been discovered, Brian said he will talk to him.

Spot Sealing:

The council approved sending the spot sealing letter to Whitman County in case there is a need for it this year.

Fountain Flying Service:

The council approved for Fountain Flying Services to fly over town again.

Gloria Bennett:

Mayor Weber read an email from Gloria from TIB that there might be funding available through a block grant for fixing the bridge. Unfortunately the town median income is too high and will not qualify for that grant.

DOE Discharge Permit:

Steve told the council that they received the new discharge permit from DOE. Steve told the council that the parameters for the PH levels have gone up, which helps the town since they are usually high. He also said that in the near future that the town will need another station for de-chlorination.

Fire Rating:

Jim Dahmen told the council that the Washington State Ratings Bureau would be here soon to re-rate the town. He said that the current rating cannot really go down because there is not a full time staff. They will check fire flows and maintenance on the hydrants. It was also discussed that some of the fire hydrants need to be replaced. Mayor Weber suggested doing two a year, because they are so expensive.

Hanousek House on Summit:

Jenni told the council that Hanousek's house went up for auction and did not sell. So Fannie Mae has it now.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Dot Sharp and seconded by Kyle White. The motion was carried by voice and passed by all. The meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Approved By Mayor

Attested By Clerk