

COLTON TOWN HALL MINUTES
April 6th, 2015

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30p.m. Members in attendance were Mayor Jerry Weber, Chuck DeMeerleer, Sam Keller, Kyle White, Dot Sharp and Jim Dahmen. Clerk Jenni Straughan, Steve Bremer, Ron and Debbie Weik were also in attendance.

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

Salary and Benefits

Warrant #903782-903791 for: \$10,773.77

(Void warrants #903792,903793,903794,903795,903796,903797,903798 and 903799)

Warrant #'s 909578-909593 for:

General:	\$ 1,060.65
Streets:	\$ 247.01
Real Estate Excise:	\$
Cumulative Reserve:	
Water/Sewer:	\$ 1,637.66
Payoff Loan 405	\$27,945.19
Subtotal:	\$30,890.51
Grand Total:	\$ 41,664.28

New Business:**Rick Heitstuman:**

Mayor Weber read a letter from the Fire District regarding purchasing the town's property where the fire department is currently located, so that they can apply for grants to increase the size of their building. The council all agreed that this would be a good idea for the town. Jenni will contact the town's attorney to have him prepare a contract that will be discussed at the next meeting.

EMT and First Responder Classes:

Rick mentioned that the Fire District is looking for more EMT's and First Responders and that the Fire District will be offering classes soon. If interested call Rick or Jim.

Ron Weik:

Ron would like to build a garage that has an eave height of 16 feet on one side and will be 1500 square feet. Due to the eave height and square footage he will be applying for a variance. He will get Jenni the paperwork soon and a public hearing will be held next month.

Spring Clean-up:

The town will be having its annual spring clean-up day by bringing in a 40 yard dumpster. It will be on Saturday, April 18th from 8-12. Flyers will be sent out soon.

Loan 405, Reservoir Bond:

This loan has been paid off.

McKinley Street:

Steve told the council that he got two bids for re-paving McKinley Street, the lowest was \$25,500. The council decided to wait to do this street project.

Storm Drain Lid by Heitstuman's:

Steve said that a large vehicle drove over the top of one of the storm drain lids near Rick Heitstuman's property and crushed it and the concrete around it. It will cost about \$700 to fix.

Fire Flow Pressure Testing Kit:

Steve told the council that the fire flow pressure testing kit is broken and it will cost about \$600 to replace. It was discussed to split the cost with Uniontown. Steve will talk with them at their next meeting.

Fowl Ordinance:

It was discussed that the Fowl Ordinance needs to be amended because currently it says that chickens are not allowed in most parts of town. There will be a public hearing next month to do this.

Fire Hydrant Replacement:

The council decided to purchase two fire hydrants a year to replace the old ones. Steve said that they cost about \$4,000 each. Kyle White said that he thinks he can get the town a better price than that. He will let Steve know what he finds out.

Ongoing Business:

Sewer Videoing:

Steve told the council that the sewer videoing will start tomorrow.

Spot Sealing:

Mayor Weber read a letter from Whitman County approving spot sealing this summer.

Avista Bill:

The town received an Avista bill for \$3,500 from two years ago for a pole that was put in during the TIB project on Rimrock Road. She will contact Munir to ask about it.

Reviewed Loans:

The council reviewed the town’s current loans. After paying off loan 405, the town has a total of \$72,666 in loan debt.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Chuck DeMeerleer and seconded by Sam Keller. The motion was carried by voice and passed by all. The meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Approved By Mayor

Attested By Clerk