

COLTON TOWN HALL MINUTES
November 7th, 2016

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

Salary and Benefits:

Warrant #904002-904011 for: \$11,220.08

Warrant #'s 909951-909969 for:

General:	\$ 7,708.63
Streets:	\$ 4,147.51
Real Estate Excise:	\$
Cumulative Reserve:	
Water/Sewer:	\$13,226.26
Subtotal:	\$25,082.40
Grand Total:	\$36,302.48

New Business:

Police Car:

Steve told the council that he had to buy a new battery for the police car.

Travel Trailer in Front of School:

Dot Sharp mentioned that there had been complaints about the travel trailer parked on the street in front of the school for several months. Jenni will send the owner a letter.

Town Sign:

Chuck DeMeerleer is still working on the town sign.

Bids for Window Coverings:

The town received one bid for aluminum window coverings, Jenni will contact two more companies for bids.

Judicial College:

Jenni explained to the council that Judge Dan LeBeau has to attend Judicial College in January for one week and that the town will have to pay for the expenses.

2017 Budget:

Jenni reviewed the proposed 2017 Budget. Copies are available at Town Hall.

RV Dump Station:

Sam Keller brought up the town having a RV dump station in town because so many people have RV's. Steve figured that the total cost would be about \$4,000 which would include a concrete pad, gravel, plumbing to sewer, and water connection. Sam Keller motioned to have an RV dump station and Chuck DeMeerleer seconded the motion. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

Council Terms:

The council asked Jenni to contact Whitman County Election's office to find out all of the council member's terms and to find out how long Councilmember Jim Dahmen's term is, since he was appointed, not elected.

Ongoing Business:

Steve Bremer:

Sewer Report:

Steve reviewed the sewer report that Terry Nab completed. It has been sent to Department of Ecology.

Water Tank Painting:

Steve told the council that he got a rough estimate for repainting the inside of the water tank. It will have to be drained and dried and will probably be out of commission for about a week. Steve figured that the total cost to do everything, would be around \$300,000 and that would also include a booster pump, generator, etc. Steve will talk to Munir Daud about getting specs written up. Jenni will contact USDA Rural Development about funding.

Trench Box:

Steve told the council that he got the trenchbox put together and that Uniontown did pay for half of it.

Executive Session:

Personnel:

Sam Keller motioned to give a 3% raise to employees. Dot Sharp seconded the motion. The vote was carried by voice and passed by all.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Sam Keller and seconded by Dot Sharp. The motion was carried by voice and passed by all. The meeting adjourned at 9:16 pm.

Approved By Mayor

Attested By Clerk

