



Minutes
1427th Regular Council Meeting
February 28, 2024

6:00 p.m. Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Poch called the 1427th regular meeting of the Coulee Dam Town Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Council members present: Kevin Black, Merv Schmidt, Larry Hall (via teleconference) and Keith St. Jeor.

Staff Present: Clerk/Treasurer Stefani Bowden and Police Chief Paul Bowden.

Pledge of Allegiance

Keith St. Jeor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Input

Ryan Fish of the Grand Coulee Fire Department provided the council of a report on the number of fire and ambulance calls to Coulee Dam for last year. He stated that the number of calls is becoming taxing on their department and asked the council to consider forming a regional fire authority. He would like to eventually be able to fund a fully staffed department in the future through a taxing district. Councilman St. Jeor thanked Mr. Fish for providing the information.

Updates and Modifications to Agenda

Mayor Poch removed the executive session from the agenda.

Consent Agenda

(m/s St. Jeor/Schmidt) to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

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Vouchers: Claim Vouchers and Checks:

Claim Voucher No. 41452 through 41471 and EFTs dated January 28, 2024 in the total amount of \$ 270,678.04.

Manual Vouchers: EFT for CPL's dated February 22, 2024 in the amount of \$36.00.

Payroll Checks: Payroll Check No.'s 41411 , 41472 through 41478 , _EFT's and direct deposits dated February 15 and 29, 2024 in the total amount of \$116,593.16.

Action Agenda

None

Discussion Agenda

- a. West Side Lift Station Project Update – Daniel Cowger, Varela Engineering
Daniel Cowger of Varela Engineering reported on the progress on the West Side Lift Station Project, stating that the project is moving along very well. He also provided a slideshow of pictures of the project status and progression.

Staff, Council & Committee Report

Committees

Merv Schmidt reported that he and Kevin Black did a walk-through of the theater. They feel that the building is in need of a lot of repairs and recommend that the town not rent it out until the improvements can be made. Mayor Poch thanked the committee for their efforts.

Clerk

The Clerk informed the council that the Town of Coulee Dam received the AWC WellCity Award again this year for employee participation in the Employee Wellness Program and for meeting the list of requirements. The WellCity Award provides a 2% discount on employee medical insurance premiums.

Police

Chief Paul Bowden informed the council that the police department received a grant in the amount of \$1000 to purchase 2 portable breath testers.

Adjournment

Mayor Poch adjourned the meeting at 6:33pm

Mayor 
Bob Poch

Clerk 
Stefani Bowden