



Town of Coulee Dam
Green Oasis at the Foot of Grand Coulee Dam

Minutes
1280th Regular Council Meeting
March 23, 2016

6:00 p.m. Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Wilder called the 1280th regular meeting of the Coulee Dam Town Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Council members present: David Schmidt, Gayle Swagerty and Keith St. Jeor. Duane Johnson and Ben Alling were excused absent.

Staff Present: Clerk/Treasurer Stefani Bowden.

Pledge of Allegiance

Keith St. Jeor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Input

Juan Moreno asked for the council to consider replacement of community building roof, noting that there are constant leaks into the dining area of the Melody Restaurant during rain and winter storms. Mayor Wilder asked that Mr. Moreno meet with him and the Public Works Acting Superintendent to do onsite review and discuss short term repair options. Mr. Moreno would also like the town council to consider alternative air conditioning options as the current one is not operating properly. Mayor Wilder will review the terms of the lease agreement regarding maintenance of the air conditioning unit.

Agenda updates & modifications

None

Consent Agenda

Dave Schmidt moved and Gayle Swagerty seconded to accept the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

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Vouchers: Claim Vouchers and Checks:

Claim Voucher No.'s 35651 through 35681 and EFT's dated March 9, 2016 in the total amount of \$43,398.31

Claim Voucher No.'s 35683 through 35706 and EFT's dated March 23, 2016 in the total amount of \$102,512.79

Payroll Vouchers: Payroll Voucher No.'s 35592, 35643 through 35650 , direct deposit runs and EFT's dated February 29, 2016 in the total amount of \$73,150.21

Bank Fees: January and February 2016 Bank Fees in the total amount of \$238.42

Action Agenda

A. AB 2016-003, Resolution No. 2016-003, Setting Hearing for Street Vacation

Mayor Wilder gave review of his request for the town to vacate a section of Beaver Drive. The proposed vacation would give more flexibility in the construction area of the Wastewater Treatment Plant. David Schmidt moved and Keith St. Jeor seconded to adopt Resolution No. 2016-006, setting place and time for hearing for vacation of a portion of Beaver Drive. Motion carried.
The hearing is set for April 13, 2016 at 6:00pm.

B. AB 2016-004, Intergovernmental Agreement between the Colville Tribe and the Cities and Towns of Okanogan County.

Mayor Wilder gave the council a summary of the proposed Intergovernmental Agreement with the Tribe stating that the Town's Attorney has reviewed it and found it to be good. The Okanogan County planner has also reviewed the agreement. Gayle Swagerty moved to authorize the Mayor to execute and sign the agreement. Councilman David Schmidt asked to address a few areas of the agreement that he felt needed better clarification. Mr. Schmidt stated that it probably was a good agreement but felt it was the council's responsibility to have a complete understanding before approving it. Keith St. Jeor asked that the issue be tabled until further clarification is made. Councilmember Swagerty rescinded her prior motion and moved to table the issue until Councilman Schmidt obtains the requested clarification. Keith St. Jeor seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion Agenda

A. Douglas Park Restrooms

Gayle Swagerty asked about the status of the restrooms at Douglas Park. She questioned why they had been closed up during the summer after the council had approved them to be open. Police Officer Mike Sullivan stated that there had been some vandalism issues last summer. They were locked up after one of the doors had been torn off. Mayor Wilder will talk with the Public Works for a schedule and reasoning for leaving locked up. David Schmidt suggested the Town look into installing time locks to save the Police Officers time in locking the restrooms up at dusk.

B. Tree Trimming

Gayle Swagerty asked about the tree trimming schedule along Columbia. The Clerk informed them that the Acting Superintendent had told her earlier in the day that

trimming is scheduled to begin on April 4th and is anticipated to take 2 weeks to complete. The bid came in at around \$32,000.00. The budget included up to \$75,000 which leaves funds available to address other areas in need of trimming.

C. Parks Survey

Swagerty and Schmidt reported that a few of the park surveys have been received. They encourage everyone to fill one out. They feel it is up to the people as to what they would like to see regarding parks, not just the Parks and Natural Resources Board.

Staff, Council & Committee Reports

Mayor

Rural Development is planning an "Earth Day" event to present funding for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Project on April 19th at 1:00pm. Clerk will check with Rick Rose of RD to confirm the time.

Mayor Wilder has asked the Wastewater Ad Hoc Committee to review and research information regarding the Elmer City Agreement.

Clerk

New liquor license request has been received for the bowling alley and a renewal request has been received for the Melody Restaurant.

Audit is still being reviewed and the auditor is hopeful to schedule an exit conference by end of week.

Councilmembers

Keith St. Jeor asked about the status of the Fire Department door locks. The Mayor and Clerk both understood that the garage door had been repaired and the keyless entry have been fully installed. Nothing has been received from the Interim Fire Chief as to the status of individual member's access to the department and if codes have been assigned.

David Schmidt would like to re-open discussions regarding recycling. Keith St. Jeor offered to contact Okanogan County about placing bins in Coulee Dam as they do in Conconelly. Yard waste disposal site was also mentioned.

Public Input

Mayor reported that the Acting Superintendent is working with the Tribe and WSDOT regarding installation of Fiber Optics lines.

Mayor Wilder updated the council on the status of the Casino remodel. The first set of plans have been received and the Mayor is reviewing them, making sure that concerns are being addressed regarding water, sewer, electric and street lighting.

Announcements

Washington State Arbor Day is April 4th and National Arbor Day is sometime mid-April. Gayle Swagerty is looking into ideas.

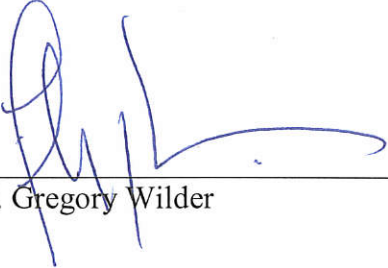
Executive Session

None

Adjournment

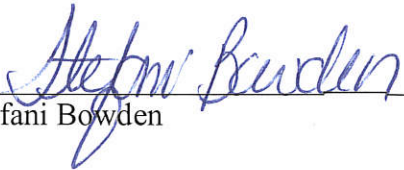
Councilmember Dave Schmidt motioned with Councilmember Gayle Swagerty seconding to adjourn Council Meeting #1280 at 7:04p.m. Motion carried.

Mayor



F. Gregory Wilder

Clerk



Stefani Bowden