



Minutes
1337th Regular Council Meeting
June 26, 2019

6:00 p.m. Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Bob Poch called the 1337th regular meeting of the Coulee Dam Town Council to order at 6:00p.m.

Roll Call

Council members present: Fred Netzel, Mervin Schmidt, Marcia Warnecke, Ben Alling and Keith St. Jeor.

Staff Present: Public Works Superintendent Mike Steffens and Clerk/Treasurer Stefani Bowden. Police Chief Paul Bowden joined at 6:10pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mike Steffens led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Input

Ryan Fish of the Grand Coulee Fire Department stated that Grand Coulee had approved and signed the agreement to house a Grand Coulee Ambulance in the Coulee Dam Fire Station. Mayor Poch thanked him and said the agreement is on the night's agenda for Coulee Dam's approval.

Consent Agenda

Keith St. Jeor moved with Marcia Warnecke seconding to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

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Vouchers: Claim Vouchers and Checks:
 Claim Voucher No.'s 38281 through 38290 and EFT's dated June 26, 2019 in the total amount of \$ 50,323.18.

Action Agenda

- a. AB 2019-09, Ordinance No. 774, Wastewater Treatment Project Loan Revenue Bond
The Ordinance has been reviewed and accepted by USDA. Keith St. Jeor moved and Marcia Warnecke seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 774. Motion carried.

- b. AB 2019-01(b), Ordinance No. 771, Water and Sewer Code
Mayor Poch thanked councilmembers St. Jeor and Netzel on the research and preparation in drafting the Ordinance. Keith St. Jeor moved and Marcia Warnecke seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 771. Motion carried.

- c. Interlocal Agreement for Housing of Ambulance
Ben Alling moved with Keith St. Jeor seconding to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Grand Coulee to house a Grand Coulee Ambulance in the Coulee Dam Fire Station. Motion carried.
- d. Selection of Mayor Pro-Tempore for July through December 2019
Mervin Schmidt nominated Ben Alling to continue serving as Mayor Pro-Tem for the remainder of the year. With the rest of the council being in agreement, Ben Alling will continue to serve as Pro-Tem for the remainder of the year.

Discussion Agenda

- a. Donation of Bench to be placed in Freedom Park
John Aumick has inquired about placing a bench he has made in Freedom Park in memory of his late wife. He would like to place it near the flagpole area of the park. Council had no objections. Councilman St. Jeor suggested that the Parks Maintenance Worker be given the opportunity to make comments and suggestions on the placement of the bench.
- b. Charter Communications – request for use of Town Hall space
A request has been received from Charter Communications to utilize space in Town Hall to set up a “pop-up” store to provide an opportunity for citizens to talk with representatives about types of services offered. They are asking to use the space August 13th and 14th for a minimal charge. The Town has a couple of conference rooms that would accommodate the request but have no formal fee schedule set. Council agreed upon the amount of \$50 per day as a fair amount.

Staff, Council & Committee Report

Clerk

The Clerk notified the Council that the Town could face an audit finding due to not billing Elmer City for their share of the Wastewater Treatment Project. The previous Mayors had agreed upon waiting until project completion and capitalizing the project which the Auditor says goes against the agreement. Coulee Dam should have been billing Elmer City and they should have been paying their portion as soon as the expenses incurred.

Public Works

Superintendent Mike Steffens gave an update on the status of the roof at the community building. He is still working with contractors for bids. He has found a contractor that will give a bid for the entire project, including a couple different roof type options but they will charge approximately \$1500 for the estimate. If they are ultimately selected, the \$1500 will be credited towards the project. A formal bid process will likely be required due to the size and nature of the project. Ben Alling moved with Marcia Warnecke seconding to spend the \$1500 to get the estimates. Motion carried.

The lean-to on the Melody has been caulked and repaired. Estimates for the walk-in cooler flooring are being obtained from Leopps.

The crew has been working on the electric pole wrap project. So far, 52 poles have been

wrapped.

Police

The Chief has been working alongside the new Officer for training so his work schedule has been changed temporarily. The Reserve Officer is still out on leave. Councilmen Schmidt asked about getting some additional Reserve Officers. The Chief stated that he has been looking into it and has a couple of prospects to contact.

Councilmembers

Fred Netzel stated that the first call with the Chelan-Douglas Transportation Council regarding the application for sidewalk funding went well.

Mervin Schmidt inquired about the Credit Union Transformer Project. Mayor Poch stated that he is still actively working on it.

Public Input

None

Adjournment

Mayor Poch adjourned the meeting at 6:28pm.

Mayor 

Bob Poch

Clerk 

Stefani Bowden