



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

## Minutes 1258<sup>th</sup> Regular Council Meeting December 10th, 2014

## 6:02 p.m. Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Wilder called the 1258th regular meeting of the Coulee Dam Town Council to order at 6:02 p.m.

## Roll Call

Council members present: Duane Johnson, Ken Miles, Shawn Derrick and Gayle Swagerty and Ben Alling.

Staff Present were Public Works Superintendent Barry Peacock, Wastewater Operator Tim Lynch, Police Chief Pat Collins and Clerk/Treasurer Stefani Bowden.

## Pledge of Allegiance

Ken Miles led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **Public Input**

Carol Netzel inquired as to what progress has been made regarding the ambulance department harassment claim. Mayor Wilder assured her that it has been a continual process and is currently working on a way to resolve the issue.

Ben Alling submitted a letter of resignation from the Fire and Ambulance Department. He turned in his keys and radio along with those of Robert Jackson.

Keith St. Jeor inquired as to if the Town of Coulee Dam still has a Fire Department. Mayor Wilder informed the council and public that not only does the Town still have a department, but also holds mutual aid agreements with USBR and the Town of Grand Coulee for fire and ambulance services.

## Agenda updates & modifications

None

#### Consent Agenda

Gayle Swagerty moved and Duane Johnson seconded to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes Regular Council Meeting – November 12, 2014

Public Hearing Minutes - November 12, 2014

Special Council Meeting/Public Hearing Minutes - November 25, 2014

Vouchers: Claim Vouchers and Checks:

Claim Voucher No.'s 34536 though No.'s 34565 and EFT's dated

November 26, 2014 in the total amount of <u>\$75,435.14</u>

Manually issued Claim Voucher No.'s 34566 dated December 2, 2014,

EFT dated December 4, 2014, in the total amount of \$800.00

Claim Voucher No.'s 34567 through 34609 and EFT's dated December

10, 2014 in the total amount of \$161,782.82

Bank Fees November 2014 Bank fees in the amount of \$1.00

Payroll Check No.'s <u>34530</u> through No.'s <u>34535</u>, direct deposits and

EFT's dated November 14, 2014 and November 26, 2014 in the total

amount of \$68,672.48

#### **Action Agenda**

A. <u>AB-2014-0041</u>, Ordinance No. 728, Setting Salaries and Wages for 2015 Ben Alling moved and Gayle Swagerty seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 728, setting salaries and wages for 2015. Motion carried.

B. AB-2014-0043, Ordinance No. 729, 2015 Ad Valorem Taxes and Levy Certification for 2015.

Shawn Derrick moved and Ken Miles seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 729 accepting the 2015 Property Tax Levy and Levy Certification. Motion carried.

C. AB-2014-0042, Ordinance No. 730, 2015 Budget.

Ken Miles moved and Gayle Swagerty seconded to adopt the 2015 Budget Ordinance No. 730 as written. Motion carried.

#### **Discussion Agenda**

A. <u>Teamsters Labor Union Contract for Public Works and Police Department</u>
Mayor Wilder informed the council that after negotiation and review of the labor union agreement that the new contract will be executed in the very near future. All parties involved seemed to be pleased with the negotiations.

## B. Tree City USA

Councilmember Gayle Swagerty is working with the Parks and Natural Resources Board and is preparing to submit the Tree City USA application within the next few days. She also informed the council that there is a grant available to perform a tree inventory.

C. <u>Cancellation of December 24<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting and Town Hall Holiday Closures</u>
Duane Johnson moved and Ben Alling seconded to cancel the December 24, 2014
Council Meeting due to the Christmas holiday. Motion carried. Town Hall will close at 12:00 noon on December 24, 2014.

## D. Mayor Pro-Tempore Appointment

Gayle Swagerty moved and Ken Miles seconded to appoint Shawn Derrick as Mayor Pro-Tempore for six months. Motion carried.

## E. Police Service Agreement Proposal with Electric City

Mayor Wilder and Chief Pat Collins provided the council with a copy of the proposal submitted to Electric City for Police Service. The cost to provide service to Electric City is estimated at \$101,254.

## F. West Side Water Meter

Mayor Wilder wanted to clarify the amount that was requested, then removed, in the 2015 water budget for west side water metering was to install one water meter at the reservoir to meter the entire amount of non-potable water that the Town is utilizing. This was not intended for the installation of meters to individual houses/properties. The possibility of a grant to purchase the meter is being looked into.

## **Staff, Council & Committee Reports**

#### Mayor

Mayor Wilder thanked the council and staff for their hard work on preparing the 2015 Budget.

#### Councilmembers

Shawn Derrick asked if the shrubs in the Melody parking lot area can be cleaned up and/or removed. They have become very overgrown and blocking visibility of the parking lot. Mayor asked the Public Works and Police to work together on this issue. Gayle Swagerty suggested that the Parks and Natural Resources also be involved in the process.

Gayle Swagerty requested a leave of absence from January through April 2015. She will be able to attend some meetings via telephone. After discussion, the council was all in favor of granting her the leave and expressed their appreciation for the service she has been providing to the Town. Shawn Derrick moved and Ken Miles seconded to grant Gayle Swagerty a four month leave of absence. Motion carried.

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Councilmember Shawn Derrick motioned with Councilmember Ben Alling seconding to adjourn Council Meeting #1258 at 7:00p.m. Motion carried.

Mayor

F. Gregory Wilder

Clerk

Stefani Bowden





#### **Town of Coulee Dam**

Green Oasis at the Foot of Grand Coulee Dam

# Minutes Public Meeting Wastewater Treatment Plant Update December 10th, 2014 5:00pm, Coulee Dam Town Hall

Councilmembers present: Ken Miles, Gayle Swagerty, Shawn Derrick, Duane Johnson, Ben Alling and Mayor Greg Wilder. Staff present: Public Works Superintendent Barry Peacock, Wastewater Operator Tim Lynch and Clerk Treasurer Stefani Bowden.

Approximately 9 citizens were in attendance.

Mayor Wilder welcomed everyone, gave a brief background of the wastewater treatment project and introduced Kurt Holland of the engineering firm Varela & Associates.

Kurt Holland provided a PowerPoint presentation on Wastewater Facilities Planning Analysis that Varela & Associates is conducting for the Town of Coulee Dam. The purpose of the analysis is to review alternatives for the wastewater treatment plant to insure the most cost effective treatment for to the Town. Some items discussed included mixing zones and ph balance, permitting and grant/loan funding opportunities.

Wastewater Operator Tim Lynch provided and explanation of needed equipment for the 40+ year old treatment plant.

The public was allowed a time for questions. Questions were asked regarding grant and loan funding for the current analysis project and also for future construction of a new Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Public Meeting was adjourned at 6:00pm

Mayor

F Gregory Wilder

Clerk

Stefani/Bowden





#### **Town of Coulee Dam**

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## Fianl Budget Hearing/ Special Council Meeting Minutes November 25, 2014

5:00 p.m.

## 5:00 p.m. Public Hearing - 2015 Final Budget Hearing

Mayor Pro-Tem Gayle Swagerty opened the Public Hearing at 5:02pm to take public comment on the 2015 Budget. Citizens present were Bob Poch, Keith St. Jeor and Carol Netzel. Discussion, questions and answers took place. After consideration from the public, the council directed the Clerk/Treasurer to remove the west side water metering project budget of \$60,000 from the budget. Carol Netzel had questions regarding the wastewater budget and requested that the council provide a formal update on the sewer treatment project. The council has been providing updates during regular council meetings. The suggestion of a newsletter included in the utility billing was discussed. Hearing was closed at 5:40pm.

Mayor Pro-Tem Swagerty opened the Special Council Meeting at 5:40pm.

#### THOSE PRESENT

Councilmember Ken Miles Councilmember Gayle Swagerty Councilmember Ben Alling Councilmember Duane Johnson

Councilmember Shawn Derrick and Mayor Wilder were absent.

#### 1. Correction to Agenda

The Property Tax Levy Ordinance was removed from the agenda due to the lack of information received from Okanogan County. This item will be placed on to the December 10, 2014 Regular Council Meeting Agenda.

## 2. Action Agenda

#### A. Ordinance No. 730 – 2015 Budget, First Reading

Ken Miles moved and Ben Alling seconded to accept the first reading of Ordinance No. 730 with modifications to the water budget. Motion carried.

#### 3. Discussion Agenda

#### A. Budget

The Clerk will modify Ordinance No. 730 to present at the December 10, 2014 for adoption.

#### ADJOURNMENT

With no further discussion regarding the 2015 Budget, the Special Council Meeting was adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

Mayor Pro-Tem Hawela G. Swagerty Clerk Stefani Bowden





## Property Tax Levy Hearing/ Budget Workshop Minutes November 12, 2014

5:00 p.m.

## 5:00 p.m. Public Hearing – 2015 Property Tax Levy/Estimated Revenue Sources

Mayor Wilder opened the Public Hearing at 5:00pm to take public comment on the 2015 estimated revenues and Property Tax Levy. Discussion, questions and answers took place. Hearing was closed at 5:09pm.

Mayor Wilder opened the Budget Workshop at 5:09pm.

#### THOSE PRESENT

Councilmember Ken Miles
Councilmember Shawn Derrick
Councilmember Gayle Swagerty
Councilmember Duane Johnson
Councilmember Ben Alling was not present.

Grand Coulee Area Chamber of Commerce President, Peggy Nevsimal provided a presentation of the Chamber's use of Hotel/Motel money in 2014. After much discussion the council came to the consensus to only disperse Stadium Fund money to one entity, the Chamber. It will then be the Chamber's responsibility to use and disperse the money to other entities in accordance with the hotel/motel fund expenditure requirements.

The Council decided that a minimum ending fund balance for the Stadium Fund will be \$50,000 for the 2015 Budget Year. After the 2015 budget year, 25% of hotel/motel revenues, in addition to the \$50,000 will be reserved for future projects. An ordinance will need to be drafted.

The contract with Oasis for park maintenance will expire as of the end of 2014. The council has decided that the contract will not be renewed and the Town will take on park maintenance. A portion of the park maintenance will be funded out of Stadium Funds as approved by the State Auditor.

The Council agreed to add the following to the Stadium Fund Budget;

➤ \$30.000 - Chamber of Commerce

Clerk will prepare the above items to the 2015 Preliminary Budget for presentation at the November 25th, 2014 Special Meeting/Final Budget Hearing.

ADJOURNMENT

The Budget Workshop meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor

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

## Minutes 1257<sup>th</sup> Regular Council Meeting November 12th, 2014

## 6:00pm - Public Hearing - Preliminary Budget

Mayor Wilder opened the Preliminary Budget Hearing at 6:00pm and asked Clerk/Treasurer to present the 2015 Revenue and Expenditure estimates to the council and public in attendance. Discussion and clarification of fund items were held amongst the public, council and staff. The Budget Hearing was closed at 6:14pm.

## 6:14 p.m. Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Wilder called the 1257th regular meeting of the Coulee Dam Town Council to order at 6:14 p.m.

### Roll Call

Council members present: Duane Johnson, Ken Miles, Shawn Derrick and Gayle Swagerty. Ben Alling joined the meeting at 7:00pm.

Staff Present were Public Works Superintendent Barry Peacock and Clerk/Treasurer Stefani Bowden.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

Ken Miles lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **Public Input**

None

## Agenda updates & modifications

None

## **Consent Agenda**

Duane Johnson moved and Shawn Derrick seconded to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes

Regular Council Meeting – October 22, 2014

Vouchers:

Claim Vouchers and Checks:

Claim Voucher No.'s 34492 through No.'s 34529 and EFT's dated

November 12th, 2014 in the total amount of \$61,338.28.

Bank Service Fees: October 2014 Bank Fees in the amount of \$1.00.

Payroll Checks: Payroll Check No.'s <u>34483</u> through <u>34491</u> and EFT's dated October 15<sup>th</sup>

and October 31st, 2014 in the total amount of \$69,490.83.

## Action Agenda

A. <u>AB-2014-0039</u>, Resolution No. 2014-013, Acceptance of the Delano Transfer Station 2015 Budget.

Gayle Swagerty moved and Ken Miles seconded to adopt Resolution No. 2014-013 accepting the 2015 Delano Transfer Station Budget. Motion carried.

- B. <u>AB-2014-0040</u>, Ordinance No. 727, Setting Ambulance Rates. Shawn Derrick moved and Gayle Swagerty seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 727 setting rates for ambulance service and correcting previously adopted code regarding payment of ambulance attendants. Motion carried.
- C. <u>AB-2014-0041</u>, Ordinance No. 728, Setting Salaries and Wages for 2015 First Reading.

Clerk/Treasurer Stefani Bowden informed the council that the COLA for 2015 has been determined to be at an increase of 1.7%. The draft ordinance was prepared reflecting the 1.7% increase.

Duane Johnson moved and Ken Miles seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 728 and asked to have it placed on next council agenda for adoption. Motion carried.

## **Discussion Agenda**

## A. Budget

## 1) Tourism Funding Requests

Shawn Derrick moved and Gayle Swagerty seconded to allocate \$30,000.00 of the hotel/motel funds to the Grand Coulee Dam Area Chamber of Commerce for the 2015 Budget Year. A decision was made to budget for a minimum of \$50,000.00 as the ending fund balance for the Stadium Fund and start the process of drafting an Ordinance to require that 25% of the annual hotel/motel revenues be added to the reserves for future projects.

## 2) Reserve Funds

Discussion was held on the need to be building up the Electric, Water and Sewer Reserves to be prepared for emergencies and matching funds for grant opportunities. Shawn Derrick moved and Duane Johnson seconded to move \$50,000.00 in Electric and \$10,000 each for Water and Sewer to the appropriate reserve funds. Motion carried.

## 3) Current Expense Fund

Council reviewed the revenues and expenditures for the Current Expense Fund. Discussion was held regarding the hiring of a new Police Officer and the amount needed for training. Councilman Shawn Derrick noted that there was a request to replace the Police Ballistic Vests and asked if the clerk knew how old the current vests where. The clerk will inquire with the Police Chief. Clerk/Treasurer informed the council that the Fire Chief has requested that the training line item for the Ambulance be increased to train new EMT's. His estimate was \$6000-\$8000.

## 4) Public Works

Public Works Superintendent reviewed the needs for Electric, Water and Sewer. Street projects were discussed with the potential of grant funding from Transportation Improvement Board (TIB). The Town should know within a week or two if funding will be offered to the Town. Mr. Peacock stated that he is very much in agreement that the reserve funds need to be built up for future needs.

## B. 611 Holly – update on house removal and property clean-up

Mayor Wilder and Superintendent Peacock updated the council and public on the progress of the removal of a house and clean-up of property located at 611 Holly. The house has been demolished and removed. Some minor clean-up is still in progress.

## C. Sick Leave Buy-Back Policy

Clerk/Treasurer asked the council to consider a sick leave buy back policy to be offered to employees that have had to use sick leave while off work due to a work related injury. The time loss compensation that employees receive from Labor and Industries is usually substantially less than the sick leave compensation, which can cause a financial hardship to the employee. This policy would require an employee to buy back sick leave that was used while off work for the injury using the L&I time loss compensation pay they receive. An employee cannot receive both sick leave pay and L&I time loss pay at the same time. Shawn Derrick moved and Duane Johnson seconded to offer the sick leave buy back to the employee that is currently affected by the time loss pay and directed the Clerk to draft a Sick Leave Buy Back Policy to be approved at a future council meeting. Motion carried.

## Staff, Council & Committee Reports

## Mayor

Mayor Wilder presented the report received from Canfield and Associates regarding the inspection of the Fire Department. According to Mayor Wilder, some major changes will be taking place within the department in the very near future.

The council was asked to accept the Parks and Natural Resources Board Member appointments. At this time, the members consist of David Schmidt, Bruce Bartoo, Glo Carroll and Roger Lucas. Gayle Swagerty moved and Shawn Derrick seconded to confirm the members. Motion carried. Gayle Swagerty was asked to serve as the liaison to the Parks and Natural Resources Board.

## Councilmembers

Shawn Derrick stated that he is working with the Clerk to keep the website up to date. The Civil Service Commission is ready to move forward with the testing and interviewing of applicants for the Police Officer position.

Gayle Swagerty informed the council of the meeting she held with Joaquin Bustamante of the Colville Tribe Recycling Center in Nespelem. Ideas for Coulee Dam recycling were mentioned including the possibility of partnering with the school or a school student. Ms. Swagerty also reported to the council of her visit to Colville Monument Works in regards to the cost of a monument for the men and women who were killed during the construction of the Dam. They have provided some design ideas with an estimated cost of \$35,000 to \$50,000.

Duane Johnson reported on the Okanogan Council of Governments (OCOG) meeting that he attended on October 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## Staff

Superintendent Barry Peacock informed the council that leaf pick-up is underway.

#### Adjournment

Councilmember Gayle Swagerty motioned with Councilmember Ben Alling seconding to adjourn Council Meeting #1257 at 7:25p.m. Motion carried.

Mayor

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Clerk

Stefani Bowder



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

## Minutes 1256<sup>th</sup> Regular Council Meeting October 22th, 2014

## 6:00 p.m. Regular Council Meeting

In the absence of Mayor Wilder, Mayor Pro-Tem Gayle Swagerty called the 1256th regular meeting of the Coulee Dam Town Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### Roll Call

Council members present: Duane Johnson, Ken Miles and Gayle Swagerty. Excused Absent: Mayor Wilder, Shawn Derrick and Ben Alling.

Staff Present were Public Works Superintendent Barry Peacock and Clerk/Treasurer Stefani Bowden.

## Pledge of Allegiance

Ken Miles lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Public Input

None

## Agenda updates & modifications

None

#### Consent Agenda

Ken Miles moved and Duane Johnson seconded to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes

Regular Council Meeting – September 24, 2014

Vouchers:

Claim Vouchers and Checks:

Claim Voucher No.'s 34428 through No.'s 34451 and EFT's dated

October 8th, 2014 in the total amount of \$21,415.24.

Claim Voucher No.'s 34452 through No.'s 34482 and EFT's dated

October 22nd, 2014 in the total amount of \$134,550.50.

Claim Voucher No. 34427 dated September 30th, 2014 in the amount of

\$740.50.

Bank Service Fees: September 2014 Bank Fees in the amount of \$53.90.

Payroll Check No.'s <u>34422</u> through <u>34426</u> and EFT's dated September 15<sup>th</sup> and September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014 in the total amount of <u>\$72,236.10</u>. Payroll Checks:

## **Action Agenda**

None

## **Discussion Agenda**

### A. Budget

## 1) Tourism Funding Requests

Clerk/Treasurer Stefani Bowden and Mayor Pro-Tem Gayle Swagerty reviewed the requests received for tourism funding with the council. Those requests included Grand Coulee Dam Area Chamber of Commerce, the Ridge Riders, Okanogan County Tourism Council and The Chronical. Clerk/Treasurer brought to the council's attention that the requests far exceed the projected revenues for 2015. Councilmember Duane Johnson expressed that he would rather the tourism money be focused towards advertising and promoting our immediate area and not so much county wide.

Some discussion was held on possibly allotting a certain percentage of hotel/motel monies received to the Chamber of Commerce versus a set dollar amount.

Peggy Nevsimal, President of the Chamber of Commerce has asked to speak at the next council meeting regarding the Chamber's use of tourism funding.

#### 2) Electric Fund

Public Works Superintendent Barry Peacock presented his 2015 expenditure requests for the Electric Fund. Items such as a transformer project, an air compressor which will be split with other funds and communication radios were discussed. The new bucket truck that was budgeted in 2014 has not been purchased and will be carried over to the 2015 budget.

Clerk/Treasurer noted that the salary and benefit line item expenditures have been increased to fund a portion of one additional full time public works employee.

#### 3) Water Fund

The estimated 2015 budget for the water fund was presented on the assumption of no changes to the current Water Rate Resolution. Expenditure requests received from Superintendent Peacock were reviewed including pump repairs, west side metering project, chemical pump and the air compressor being shared with other

funds. Also included for information was the quote of \$500,000 for the needed painting of the water reservoir. This item has not been included into the water budget at this time as funding has not been determined. Salaries and benefits show an increase for the water fund portion of an additional public works employee.

## 4) Solid Waste Fund

No capital expenditure requests have been received for the solid waste fund. Projected revenues slightly exceed the projected expenditures for 2015.

A budget workshop will be scheduled for an hour before the next council meeting on November 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm to go over the remaining funds. Also included with this meeting will be a public hearing on the 2015 Ad Valorem Taxes and revenues.

## Staff, Council & Committee Reports

#### Mayor

Mayor Pro-Tem Gayle Swagerty reported on the Regional Board of Mayor's meeting that she attended earlier in the week. She discussed the Sunrise Disposal Contract which includes recycling with them. She was informed that there have been changes to that contract to eliminate recycling due to misuse and costs. A few ideas were received from citizens as to other agencies to contact or partner with regarding this issue. Ms. Swagerty thanked them for their suggestions and will look into it further.

Gayle Swagerty thanked Barry Peacock for arranging the contractor for the removal of the house on Holly Street. Mr. Peacock informed the council that the contractor is ready to move forward, just waiting on TERO approval.

Ms. Swagerty also mentioned the need for funding for the Monument Project and suggested the funding be acquired through other entities and sources. She is meeting with the Chamber of Commerce to discuss some options.

## Councilmembers

Councilmember Ken Miles notified the council that he will not be available for the November 26<sup>th</sup> meeting if it is not cancelled.

#### Staff

Barry Peacock reported on the meeting held with Varela and Associates earlier in the day regarding the progress of the wastewater facility planning project. The project for an alternative plan is moving forward. This was the second meeting and another is scheduled in two weeks. Wastewater Operator Tim Lynch also attended the meeting. Elmer City and tribal representatives were invited but did not attend. The new clarifier has been installed at the treatment plant and is working well.

Clerk/Treasurer Stefani Bowden notified the council that the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter financial report has been prepared. A copy has been provided to each councilmember. She also reminded the council that

due to budget hearing requirements, a special meeting will need to be scheduled if they wish to cancel the November 26<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting. The council consensus was to schedule a special meeting to hold the Final Budget Hearing on Tuesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm to allow the cancellation of the November 26<sup>th</sup> meeting due to the Thanksgiving holiday. AWC is presenting "Operation Strong Cities" at Coulee Dam Town Hall in the ballroom on Friday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. This is available for all local area towns to attend. Councilmembers are encouraged to attend.

## Adjournment

Councilmember Duane Johnson motioned with Councilmember Ken Miles seconding to adjourn Council Meeting #1256 at 6:35p.m. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro-Tem <u>Pamela G. Swagerty</u> Clerk <u>Stefani Bowden</u>

Stefani Bowden



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

## Minutes 1255<sup>th</sup> Regular Council Meeting September 24th, 2014

## 6:00 p.m. Regular Council Meeting

In the absence of Mayor Wilder, Mayor Pro-Tem Gayle Swagerty called the 1255th regular meeting of the Coulee Dam Town Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

## Roll Call

Council members present: Duane Johnson, Ken Miles, Shawn Derrick, Ben Alling and Gayle Swagerty. Excused Absent: Mayor Wilder.

Staff Present were Public Works Superintendent Barry Peacock and Clerk/Treasurer Stefani Bowden.

## Pledge of Allegiance

Shawn Derrick lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Public Input**

Mayor Pro-Tem Gayle Swagerty asked the public to limit speaking to 2 minutes per person.

Bob Poch asked to speak during the Discussion Agenda regarding the water rates.

## Agenda updates & modifications

None

#### **Consent Agenda**

Ken Miles moved and Duane Johnson seconded to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes

Regular Council Meeting – September 10, 2014

Water Rate Public Meeting - September 10, 2014

Vouchers:

Claim Vouchers and Checks:

Claim Voucher No.'s 34396 through No.'s 34421 and EFT's dated

September 24th, 2014 in the total amount of \$101,038.65.

## **Action Agenda**

A. <u>AB-2014-0036</u>, Resolution No. 2014-004, Adoption of the Okanogan County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Shawn Derrick moved and Duane Johnson seconded to adopt Resolution No. 2014-004 accepting the Okanogan County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion carried.

- B. AB-2014-0037, Resolution No. 2014-010, Adoption of Cities Insurance Association of Washington (CIAW) Changes to By-laws and Interlocal Agreement.
   Duane Johnson moved and Ben Alling seconded to adopt Resolution No. 2014-010 and authorize the Mayor to sign the amended Interlocal Agreement with CIAW. Motion carried.
- C. <u>AB-2014-0038</u>, Resolution No. 2014-012, Acknowledgement of Service to the Community through the completion of the new Grand Coulee Dam K-12 School Complex to Senator Linda Evans Parlette.
  Shawn Derrick moved and Ken Miles seconded to adopt Resolution No. 2014-012, Acknowledging Service to the Community by Senator Linda Evans Parlette. Motion carried.

## **Discussion Agenda**

## A. Budget

Clerk/Treasurer reminded the council that with the cancellation of the October 8<sup>th</sup> council meeting, Budget Workshop dates should be considered prior to the next council meeting of October 22.

## B. Water Rates

Carol Netzel presented some history regarding the water lines, stating that the non-potable water irrigation lines are very old, dating back to 1935. The installation of meters could cause more issues as the lines are brittle and could be costly to property owners to repair. She feels that the best answer to the rate issue is to remain with a flat rate. According to Ms. Netzel, the majority of the west side feels the same. Bob Poch would like to discuss how water rates were implemented years ago. He will bring the information he has to a future meeting where rates will be discussed more in depth and when the Mayor is present.

Keith St. Jeor stated that he researched RCW 35.92.010, indicating that it pertains more to class within meter size, not just residential/commercial. The parks and Town properties are funded through water rates charged to citizens. If rates are lowered, how will those areas be funded? The citizens are already paying for an average usage of 3000cf at current water rate.

Bob Poch explained to the council how the combined usage was factored, using November through March when no irrigation is being used as a base. A Resolution was passed years ago for water overage, implementing an extra fee per lot. Stan St. Jeor spoke regarding past history of the implementation of water rates.

Quincy Snow stated that the west side of town is mostly clay and holds water. The east side is mostly rock and will always require more watering. Rates are not forcing property owners to pay for water not used, they are paying for the cost of Filtration Plant.

Councilmember Ben Alling feels that the council should be spending less time on water rate issues and focus on more important issues.

## Staff, Council & Committee Reports

Mayor

## Councilmembers

Councilmembers Shawn Derrick reported on the Civil Service Training that all of the commissioners and secretary attended in Yakima.

Councilman Derrick also brought up the possibility of applying for the All American City Award, which is awarded to communities with a diverse population and have completed projects that have made significant impacts. Duane Johnson mentioned that maybe the school would be interested in joining in with the Town to apply.

Councilmember Gayle Swagerty reported on the Okanogan Council of Governments (OCOG) meeting she attended. It is important that the Town of Coulee Dam has a presence at these meetings to insure the Town's needs are relayed and considered for funding. Swagerty asked Councilmember Duane Johnson to attend the October 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting in her absence.

Councilmember Ken Miles informed the Council that he will be unavailable through October 17<sup>th</sup>.

Councilmember Ben Alling informed the Council that he will be absent for the October 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting and will be unavailable the end of October through November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

#### Staff

Public Works Superintendent Barry Peacock informed the council that the new drive unit has been installed at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Fall leaf pick-up will be scheduled.

#### Adjournment

Councilmember Ben Alling motioned with Councilmember Ken Miles seconding to adjourn Council Meeting #1255 at 7:03p.m. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro-Tem Vanda G. Swagerty Clerk Stefani Bowden



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

## Minutes 1254<sup>th</sup> Regular Council Meeting September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014

## 6:07 p.m. Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Wilder called the 1254th regular meeting of the Coulee Dam Town Council to order at 6:07 p.m. then recessed to continue the Open Public Meeting on Water Rates.

The regular council meeting was re-opened at 6:51pm.

#### Roll Call

Council members present: Duane Johnson, Ken Miles, Shawn Derrick, Ben Alling and Gayle Swagerty.

Staff Present were Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Tim Lynch, Utility Worker Travis Irwin and Clerk/Treasurer Stefani Bowden.

## **Shoreline Management Update Presentation**

Molly Linville of SCJ Alliance gave a PowerPoint presentation on the status of the Shoreline Management Project. She provided information to the public on what Shoreline Management is and why the Town is being required to do it. The main purpose of Shoreline Management is to ensure that the public have access to shorelines and are provided the ability to enjoy them.

## **Public Input**

Ray Duclos of Harvest Foods informed the council of an issue with the men's restrooms at Mason Park and also requested that the street in front of the store be repaired. The restroom issue has been addressed by the public works department. The street will be discussed during the budget process.

Ray Wells requested a letter of support from the council regarding the intersection at Highway 174 and Highway 155 in Grand Coulee, stating it is a dangerous intersection. Ideas such as a traffic light, four-way stop and round-a-bout were discussed. Gayle Swagerty moved and Shawn Derrick seconded to authorize the Mayor to draft a letter of support to the state. Motion carried.

## Agenda updates & modifications

Mayor asked to have both "Discussion Agenda" items, Budget and Water Rates, removed from the agenda due to lack of time. Ken Miles moved and Shawn Derrick seconded the removal of "Discussion Agenda" items 8a. and 8b. from the agenda. Motion carried.

## **Consent Agenda**

Shawn Derrick moved and Ken Miles seconded to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes Regular Council Meeting – August 27th, 2014

Wastewater Public Meeting – August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Vouchers: <u>Claim Vouchers and Checks</u>:

Claim Voucher No.'s 34369 through No.'s 34395 and EFT's dated

September 10th, 2014 in the total amount of \$35,732.56.

Manual EFT to Department of Revenue dated August 31, 2014 in amount

of \$100.00 & Manual EFT to USDA dated September 3, 2014 in the

amount of \$71,483.00.

Bank Fees August 2014 Bank fees in the amount of \$55.80

Payroll Checks: Payroll Check No.'s <u>34359</u> through <u>34368</u> and EFT's dated August 15<sup>th</sup>

and August 31st 2014 in the total amount of \$66,069.53

## **Action Agenda**

None

## **Discussion Agenda**

None

#### Staff, Council & Committee Reports

## Mayor

The first Teamster's Labor Union bargaining unit meeting was held on September 9<sup>th</sup>. It went well and seemed it will be a friendly process. Unanticipated liabilities and changes to the pay schedule were discussed. Mayor's proposal for change in pay schedule was perceived as generous.

Michelle Bredstrand has been appointed as Civil Service Secretary and will be attending the Civil Service Conference on September 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> along with the commissioners.

## Councilmembers

Councilmembers Shawn Derrick and Gayle Swagerty have reviewed the Sunrise Disposal contract, stating that recycling is included in the contract.

Shawn Derrick asked if a Certificate or Letter of Appreciation has been completed for Senator Linda Evan Parlette for her help on the school project. The Mayor will get one out to her and the school as soon as possible.

Both Ken Miles and Shawn Derrick asked to be excused from the October 8<sup>th</sup> council meeting. Clerk/Treasurer will also be absent from the meeting due to training. Shawn Derrick moved and Ken Miles seconded to cancel the October 8, 2014 Council Meeting. Motion carried.

## **Public Input**

Mark Igo thanked the council and commended them on the areas that are well taken care of, noting that he acknowledged all the hard work and planning that went into the Public Meeting presentation.

## **Adjournment**

Councilmember Ken Miles motioned with Councilmember Shawn Derrick seconding to adjourn Council Meeting #1254 at 7:35p.m. Motion carried.

Mayor

F. Gregory Wilder

Clerk

Stefani Bowder



## Town of Coulee Dam

Green Oasis at the Foot of Grand Coulee Dam

## Minutes 1253<sup>rd</sup> Regular Council Meeting August 27th, 2014

## 6:00 p.m. Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Wilder called the 1253rd regular meeting of the Coulee Dam Town Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### Roll Call

Council members present: Duane Johnson, Ken Miles, Shawn Derrick and Gayle Swagerty. Excused absent was Ben Alling.

Staff Present were Public Works Superintendent Barry Peacock and Clerk/Treasurer Stefani Bowden.

## Pledge of Allegiance

Shawn Derrick lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Agenda updates & modifications

Mayor removed Action Agenda item AB-2014-0034, Confirmation of Mayor's appointment of Parks and Natural Resources Board Members due to lack of a quorum for the board.

## **Public Input**

None

#### Consent Agenda

Ken Miles moved and Shawn Derrick seconded to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes: Regular Council Meeting – July 23, 2014

Vouchers: Claim Vouchers and Checks:

Claim Voucher No.'s 34300 through No.'s 34331 and EFT's dated

August 13, 2014 in the total amount of \$61,133.79.

Claim Voucher No.'s 34332 through No.'s 34358 and EFT's dated

August 27, 2014 in the total amount of \$103,178.24.

Bank Fees July 2014 Bank fees in the amount of \$106.02

Payroll Checks: Payroll Check No.'s <u>34235</u> through <u>34299</u> and EFT's dated July 15<sup>th</sup> and

July 31st 2014 in the total amount of \$69,261.53

Voided Checks: Voided Check No. <u>34324</u>

## **Action Agenda**

A. <u>AB-2014-0034</u>, <u>Confirmation of Mayor's appointment of Parks and Natural Resources</u> Board Members

Removed from Agenda

B. <u>AB-2014-0035</u>, Confirmation of Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) Application submittal

Mayor Wilder presented the three TIB grant applications that were submitted for (1) Civic Way, Central Drive and Crest Drive, (2) Lincoln Ave and (3) Birch Street to Central Drive.

Shawn Derrick moved and Gayle Swagerty seconded to confirm and ratify the Mayor's action of the Transportation Improvement Board grant submittal. Motion carried.

## **Discussion Agenda**

#### A. Water Rates

A Public Meeting is set for Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> to hear public input on water rates. This meeting will also serve as a 2015 Budget Workshop. Water revenue budget will be based on needs to insure expenditure funds are being met.

East side resident Keith St. Jeor spoke regarding his usage of water stating that the east side of town requires more irrigation due to lack of shade. Properties in his neighborhood are dry and a fire hazard. Mr. St. Jeor feels that the situation will only worsen if the allowed usage amount included in base water rate is decreased.

Stan St. Jeor noted that residents are also watering town property where trees are located.

Robert Lock informed the council that he has a separate meter for irrigation. He quite often exceeds the 10,000 cubic feet usage and is also required to pay the turn on and turn off fees each year.

#### B. Wastewater Analysis

Mayor Wilder presented the Wastewater Loading Cost Analysis prepared by Gray & Osborne, Inc.

## **Staff, Council & Committee Reports**

Mayor

The Civil Service Commission is in need of a secretary due to the resignation of Kandee Merriman. An offer has been made to an individual.

The Hartzall property donation transaction is complete and the Town is in receipt of the Quit Claim Deed.

Shawn Derrick moved and Duane Johnson seconded to appoint Gayle Swagerty as the Mayor Pro-Tem for the remainder of 2014. Motion carried.

A meeting with Teamsters Labor Union has been schedule to begin negotiations. Gayle Swagerty agreed to attend.

Discussion was held regarding a drainage issue complaint from a resident on Columbia Ave.

Canfield Insurance is currently reviewing the Fire Department for liability issues.

## Councilmembers

Councilmember Shawn Derrick gave an update on the website progress. He is also doing research on camera systems for the parks

## Clerk/Treasurer

Clerk/Treasurer has reminded Council that it is budget time. Workshops will be scheduled soon. The "call to budget" has been sent to department heads. The Public Works and Police Department have submitted a preliminary request to the Clerk.

## **Adjournment**

Councilmember Shawn Derrick motioned with Councilmember Ken Miles seconding to adjourn Council Meeting #1253 at 7:21p.m. Motion carried.

Mayor

F Gregory Wilder

Clerk

Stefani Bowden



#### **Town of Coulee Dam**

Green Oasis at the Foot of Grand Coulee Dam

## Minutes 1252nd Regular Council Meeting July 23, 2014

6:00 p.m. Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Wilder called the 1252<sup>nd</sup> regular meeting of the Coulee Dam Town Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

## Roll Call

Council members present: Duane Johnson, Ken Miles, Shawn Derrick and Gayle Swagerty. Excused absent was Ben Alling.

## Pledge of Allegiance

Gayle Swagerty lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Public Hearing - Six Year Comprehensive Street Program (TIP) for 2015-2020

Mayor Wilder opened the public hearing at 6:01 to take comments on the Six Year Comprehensive Street Program. Public Works Superintendent Barry Peacock gave a background of the program and provided the council and public with an overview of the proposed plan. Funding is needed to complete the majority of the projects listed on the plan. Mayor Wilder stated that this is just a plan; changes may be needed from time to time depending on issues that arise. Discussion was held regarding alleys and sidewalks, which are included in the plan. Public hearing was closed at 6:07.

#### Agenda updates & modifications

None

#### **Public Input**

Heidi Bradeen and Nora Jenn spoke on the condition of the property located at 611 Holly, stating it is a fire hazard. This has been an ongoing issue. Ms. Bradeen has been trimming grass, weeds and trees along with watering the property to protect her residence. They asked is there is anything the town could do to clean up the property. Mayor stated that the town's hands are tied until the county forecloses and sells. The town is currently unable to contact the property owners. Ms. Bradeen stated that several properties along Holly are really dry and are presenting a fire hazard.

Ms. Jenn questioned the availability of fire protection during the time when the town firefighters and equipment are attending to out of area fires. Mayor will talk with the Fire Chief.

## Consent Agenda

Duane Johnson moved and Gayle Swagerty seconded to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes:

Regular Council Meeting – July 9, 2014

Vouchers:

Claim Vouchers and Checks:

Claim Voucher No.'s 34273 through No.'s 34292 and EFT's dated July

23, 2014 in the total amount of \$82,037.59.

## **Action Agenda**

## A. AB2014-0028, Ordinance #725, 2014 Budget Amendment

Ordinance #725, amending the 2014 Budget to increase tourism expenditures by \$9,500.00 was presented for a second reading. Discussion was held regarding the use of funds for a camera system at the restrooms in Douglas Park. The owner of Columbia River Inn voiced his objection stating it is not an allowable use of tourism funds. The Mayor informed him that Douglas Park has been approved by the State Auditor as a qualified expenditure for Hotel/Motel tax. Councilmember Duane Johnson would like to see a less expensive system used and installed in all three of the tourism qualifying parks. Councilmember Shawn Derrick mentioned that cameras could serve a dual purpose. They can be accessed online for prospective visitors to get a glimpse of the town. Mayor stated that the cameras won't completely stop vandalism, but will give the police and idea of who was in the area during the time the incident occurred. Duane Johnson recommended the use of the funds be spread out amongst parks with a live webcam.

Duane Johnson moved and Shawn Derrick seconded to accept the second reading and adoption of Ordinance #725 as written. Motion carried.

- B. AB-2014-0029, Ordinance #726, Establishing a Parks and Natural Resources Board Ordinance #726, Establishing a Parks and Natural Resources Board was presented for a second reading. This ordinance would vacate the Tree Board and Historical and Natural Resources Boards and combine them into one Parks and Natural Resources Board. Ken Miles moved and Duane Johnson seconded to accept the second reading and adopt Ordinance #726, Establishing a Parks and Natural Resources Board as written. Motion carried.
- C. <u>AB-2014-0033</u>, <u>Resolution No. 2014-009</u>, <u>Adopting a Revised and Extended Six Year Transportation Improvement Program for the Years 2015 to 2020</u>. Shawn Derrick moved and Ken Miles seconded to accept Resolution #2014-009, Adopting the Revised and Extended Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan for the Years 2015-2020 as written. Motion carried.

## Discussion Agenda

## A. Elmer City Billings

Past charges to Elmer City for wastewater treatment were discussed and explained by the Mayor. Overcharges for the lift station electricity and insurance have been credited. The Public Works and Utilities Committee met with Elmer City representatives to discuss billing issues and questions. Wages and benefits for wastewater treatment were the main focus of discussion. Mayor Wilder advised the council of the recommendation received from the State Auditor regarding the need for a formal cost allocation plan.

## B. Budget Calendar

Mayor reviewed the 2015 Budget Calendar and Manual with the council stating that the Town wants and needs public input during the budgeting process.

## **Public Input**

Heidi Bradeen informed the council that the slats on Fiddle Creek Bridge are loose. Public Works Superintendent Barry Peacock will take a look at it.

## Staff, Council & Committee Reports

#### Mayor

The Civil Service Commission now has three members; Shawn Derrick, Herb Sherburne and Joe Tynan. Secretary is Kandy Merriman. The advertisement to hire a third police of officer has been released.

The investigation on the Fire and Ambulance Department retaliation claim has been completed and a report has been received.

#### Clerk/Treasurer

A liquor license renewal notice has been received for Harvest Foods.

Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) has drafted a contract for repayment of the rebuild to Feeder #4. Shawn Derrick moved and Duane Johnson seconded to authorize the Mayor to sign and execute agreement with BPA when final draft is presented.

The August 13, 2014 Council Meeting will be cancelled due to lack of quorum and to allow the Clerk/Treasurer to attend a the Municipal Budgeting and Fiscal Management Training in Leavenworth.

## Adjournment

Councilmember Ken Miles motioned with Councilmember Gayle Swagerty seconding to adjourn Council Meeting #1252 at 7:41p.m. Motion carried.

Mayor

Clerk Stefani/Bowden



#### **Town of Coulee Dam**

Green Oasis at the Foot of Grand Coulee Dam

## Minutes 1251st Regular Council Meeting July 9, 2014

6:00 p.m. Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Wilder called the 1251<sup>st</sup> regular meeting of the Coulee Dam Town Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

## Roll Call

Council members present: Ken Miles, Shawn Derrick and Gayle Swagerty. Duane Johnson joined the meeting at 6:05. Excused absent was Ben Alling.

## Pledge of Allegiance

Ken Miles lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Agenda updates & modifications

None

#### **Public Input**

Ray Duclos thanked the public works for doing a good job of cleaning up after the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend. He inquired as to whom pays for the portable toilets that are brought in for the "Festival of Americas" festivities stating he feels that the Chamber of Commerce should be required to provide them through the contract for use of tourism funds.

Mr. Duclos asked if it would be possible to have paving done in front of the Casino and Harvest Foods at the same time the school is having theirs done. He also had questions regarding the WSDOT Highway 155 project and if they are planning on completing the bridge and when.

#### Consent Agenda

Ken Miles moved and Gayle Swagerty seconded to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes:

Regular Council Meeting – June 25, 2014

Vouchers:

Claim Vouchers and Checks:

Claim Voucher No.'s <u>34236</u> through No.'s <u>34272</u> and EFT's dated July 9,

2014 in the total amount of \$73,490.35.

Payroll direct deposit runs of June 13, 2014 and June 30, 2014, Check No.'s 34226 through 34234 and EFT Transactions of June 30, 2014 in the

total amount of \$71,814.73.

Bank Fees: June 2014 Bank Fees in the amount of \$54.00

Treasurer's Report: 2014 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Financial Report

## **Action Agenda**

## A. AB2014-0028, Ordinance #725, 2014 Budget Amendment

Clerk/Treasurer Stefani Bowden presented, for the first reading (title only), Ordinance #725, amending the 2014 Budget to increase tourism expenditures by \$9,500.00 to be used to purchase a security surveillance camera system for the restrooms at Douglas Park. Discussion was held regarding the vandalism and need for security at the restrooms in Douglas and Mead Parks. The camera system would allow the restrooms to remain open for tourist use. Gayle Swagerty moved and Ken Miles moved to accept the first reading of Ordinance #725 and place it on to the next council agenda for second reading and adoption. Motion carried.

- B. AB-2014-0029, Ordinance #726, Establishing a Parks and Natural Resources Board The Clerk presented Ordinance #726, Establishing a Parks and Natural Resources Board to the council for a first reading by title only. This ordinance would vacate the Tree Board and Historical and Natural Resources Boards and combine them into one Parks and Natural Resources Board. Ken Miles moved and Shawn Derrick seconded to accept the first reading of Ordinance #726 and place it on the next council agenda for second reading and adoption. Motion carried.
- C. <u>AB-2014-0030</u>, Resolution #2014-0030, Establishing an Employee Wellness Program The Clerk presented Resolution #2014-0030, Establishing an Employee Wellness Program, stating it is a first step in applying for the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) WellCity Award, which could save the town 2% on health insurance premiums provided to employees. Shawn Derrick moved and Gayle Swagerty seconded to adopt Resolution #2014-0030, Establishing an Employee Wellness Program as written. Motion carried.

#### **Discussion Agenda**

## Parks and Recreation District

The Coulee Area Parks and Recreation District (CAPRD) provided the town with their budget information as requested. Mayor Wilder reviewed with council spreadsheets, graphs and charts showing the use of hotel/motel funds on all area parks that are qualified by the State Auditor to use tourism funds. Coulee Dam has two qualifying parks. Grand Coulee and Electric City do not have qualifying parks. North Dam Park has been, in the past, supported by Coulee Dam, Grand Coulee and Electric City.

CAPRD is requesting tourism funds from Coulee Dam. The town had declined their request during the 2014 budgeting process. The initial agreement with North Dam Park was to provide support for three years, allowing them the time to acquire funding on their own. The three years have now past and Coulee Dam has allocated tourism funds to other areas.

Taking into consideration all area tourism qualifying parks, Coulee Dam contributes 57%. No other towns contribute to the parks located within the Town of Coulee Dam. It was mentioned as a possibility to join all area parks into the CAPRD.

## Staff, Council & Committee Reports

## Mayor

Mayor informed the council and public that the annual 2% increase in water rates was overlooked/not imposed January 1, 2014 as required. Billing adjustments will be made to July 2014 utility billings to recoup the undercharges. It amounts to an average of \$0.94 per month per account, totaling \$5.64 for the six month period.

Mayor Wilder presented spreadsheets and lead discussion regarding the use of non-potable water for irrigation that is provided to residents, at no charge, on the west side of town versus the use of metered water charged for irrigation to residents on the east side. Also mentioned was the amount of water included in the base rate, stating that Coulee Dam includes more cubic feet in base rate than most towns. This issue will be looked at during the budgeting process.

There may still be an opportunity to apply for the COPS grant. Mayor is looking into.

#### Public Works

Public Works Superintendent Barry Peacock asked the council for permission for Mayor to sign and execute an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Omak for the use/lease of a pump to use on the wastewater clarifier repairs. Ken Miles moved and Gayle Swagerty seconded to allow the Mayor to inter into agreement. Motion carried.

Mr. Peacock informed the council the water leak detection project has been completed. This will help the town comply with Department of Health requirements.

## Council/Committee

Councilmember Ken Miles reported on the request of the Public Works Committee to change the utility billing due date. After some surveying/discussion with utility customers, it was determined that the due date should remain unchanged.

## Clerk/Treasurer

Clerk presented a copy of the 2014 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter financial report to all council members and informed the public that it is available for viewing.

Council was informed that the Mayor has signed the final closeout paperwork for the Lower Crest Drive Project.

As a kick-off to the new Employee Wellness Program, an employee barbeque lunch will be held on Friday, July 18<sup>th</sup> at Town Hall. Councilmembers are welcome to attend.

Adjournment	
Councilmember Duane Johnson motioned with Co	uncilmember Ken Miles seconding to adjourn
Council Meeting #1251 at 7:25p.m. Motion carried	1.
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## **Town of Coulee Dam**Green Oasis at the Foot of Grand Coulee Dam

## Minutes 1250th Regular Council Meeting June 25th, 2014

## 6:00 p.m. Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Wilder called the 1250th regular meeting of the Coulee Dam Town Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

### Roll Call

Council members present: Ben Alling, Ken Miles, Duane Johnson, Shawn Derrick and Gayle Swagerty.

## Pledge of Allegiance

Ken Miles lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Agenda updates & modifications

Item 6.c. (Multi-hazard Mitigation Plan) was removed from the Agenda due to Okanogan County being unable to attend the council meeting. This item is anticipated be placed on the July 23<sup>rd</sup> Council Meeting Agenda.

#### **Public Input**

Carol Netzel spoke on the newsletter received from the Town regarding the Fire/Ambulance Department. She questioned the payment of EMTs, insurance rating, the number of Police Officers, and asked if anything has been done to resolve the Fire Department personnel issues. Mayor Wilder informed her and the council that the investigation of the Fire/Ambulance personnel has been completed and a report should be available soon. The insurance rating based upon our Fire Department will have very little or no impact on the Town. Ms. Netzel inquired as to why some information was disclosed in the newsletter but some was not. Mayor explained the legal requirements and assured her that everything that could be disclosed was and welcomed her to meet with him during business hours to discuss the subject in more detail.

#### Consent Agenda

Gayle Swagerty moved and Shawn Derrick seconded to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes:

Regular Council Meeting - May 28th, 2014

Vouchers:

Claim Vouchers and Checks:

Ratify Claim Voucher No.'s 34174 through No.'s 34208 and EFT's dated

June 11, 2014 in the total amount of \$85,689.44.

Claim Voucher No.'s 34209 through No.'s 34225 and EFT's dated June

25, 2014 in the total amount of \$74,053.00

Payroll direct deposit runs of May 15, 2014 and May 30, 2014, Check No.'s 34140 through 34146, 34172 through 34173 and EFT Transactions

of May 30, 2014 in the total amount of \$66,840.46.

Bank Fees:

May 2014 Bank Fees in the amount of \$55.30

Voided Checks:

Voided Check No.'s 34147 & 34148

## **Action Agenda**

## A. AB2014-0025, Ordinance #724, 2014 Budget Amendment

Clerk/Treasurer Stefani Bowden presented, for the second reading (title only), Ordinance #724, amending the 2014 Budget to increase tourism expenditures by \$6000.00 to be used for advertisement of the new Laser Light Show to be displayed on the face of the Grand Coulee Dam. Ben Alling moved and Shawn Derrick seconded to accept the second reading by title only and adopt Ordinance #724 as written. Motion carried. A copy of the Ordinance is available at Town Hall.

This tourism fund topic lead to discussion regarding the use of Hotel/Motel Tax in support of North Dam Park. The Town has been expending more than receiving in this fund for several years now which is causing a decrease in the reserve funds. The reserve was intended to be saved for future large projects. Council asked if Cole Park would qualify for use of tourism funds. An approval from the State Auditor would be needed.

- B. <u>AB-2014-0026</u>, <u>Engineering Services</u>: <u>Wastewater Facilities Plan Revision</u>
  Ben Alling moved and Duane Johnson seconded to authorize the Mayor to execute the Agreement for Professional Services with Varela & Associates, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$104,572 and in substantially the same form as presented. Motion carried.
- C. <u>Emergency Expenditure Wastewater Treatment Plant</u>
  Public Works Superintendent Barry Peacock informed the council the clarifier at the treatment plant has been running on alarm mode and it has been determined that an entire new drive unit is needed. The cost of the new unit alone is approximately \$35,000. With installation costs and parts the total could be \$40,000 to \$44,000.

Shawn Derrick moved and Ken Miles seconded to approve the expenditure to replace the drive unit on the clarifier in the approximate amount of \$44,000 on an emergency basis.

## **Discussion Agenda**

None

## Staff, Council & Committee Reports

Mayor Wilder inquired as to how many council members have completed the required Open Government Training. All but one have completed it with the remaining one scheduling to take it the next day.

Mayor Wilder and Councilmember Gayle Swagerty reported on their attendance of the AWC Annual Conference and provided some information received at the training.

Two members have been appointed to the Civil Service Commission by the Mayor including Shawn Derrick for a four year term and Herb Sherburn a six year term.

Mayor reported that the back-up system for the Town Hall and Mayor's offices have been installed and are now backing up the entire computers on a regular, daily basis. This will provide more security and protection of town records along with the digitization and storage of records with the State Archives and new locking file cabinets that have already been done and purchased.

Gayle Swagerty asked for more tables and garbage cans to be place in Cole Park.

Councilmember Shawn Derrick would like to see a letter of recognition be sent to Senator Linda Evans Parlette for the help and support in accomplishing the construction of the new school.

Derrick informed the council that he has been working on the Town website and has a demo of it to show council members. He also asked for input on what should be included on the website.

A couple of citizens have expressed to Shawn Derrick and interest in being on the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Clerk/Treasurer Stefani Bowden informed the council of a phone conversation held with the Electric City Clerk regarding the pathway project. One councilmember and two citizens from Coulee Dam are asked to participate. Councilmember Swagerty volunteered to be the council representative.

SCJ Alliance lead the June 18<sup>th</sup> public meeting for the Shoreline Master Program at Town Hall. The Clerk/Treasurer reported that she was the only one in attendance and that no public attended to view the PowerPoint presentation. The PowerPoint will be made available for future viewing and SCJ stated they would be available at a later date provide another presentation if the council desires.

Councilmember Ben Alling motioned with Council	lmember Shawn Derrick seconding to adjourn
Council Meeting #1250 at 7:23p.m. Motion carried	1.
Mayor F. Gregory Wilder	Clerk My Bowden Stefani Bowden

Adjournment