

**Town of Yacolt  
202 W Cushman St.  
Yacolt, WA 98675**

**May 7, 2018**

**Town Council Meeting (Regular Meeting)**

**1. Call to Order:**

Mayor Myers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. Flag Salute:**

**3. Roll Call:**

PRESENT: Mayor Myers and Council members Boget, Bryant, Noble, Moseley, Rowe-Tice

ABSENT: None

PRESENT: Attorney Ridenour, Public Works Director Ross, Assistant Clerk Younce

**4. Draft Minutes from the Previous Meeting:**

Draft minutes were presented for the April 16, 2018 regular meeting.

MOTION: Council member Bryant moved to approve the minutes from the April 16, 2018 regular meeting with noted changes.

SECOND: Council member Moseley

AYES: Council members Boget, Bryant, Noble, Moseley, Rowe-Tice

VOTE: Motion Carried

**5. Late Changes to the Agenda:**

New Business Item C., Executive Session, will be moved to Item D. New Business.

New Business Item C. will be changed to North Clark Little League discussion.

**6. Citizen Communication:**

- Mayor Myers read a statement regarding the meeting. The statement is attached.
- Michael Leonard – Would like to know if the softball tournament and fall ball are still possible.
- Dave Johnson – Started Little League in 1970. He called the District and asked if they had the papers and the District said they did. In the 1940's Whitt owned the property. Nick Whitt signed a lease with the Town. Williamsport has all of the records.
- Tom Sutton – Would like to see the Little League keep going for the kids.
- Sam Sutton – Skip – was signed up by someone else
- Kelly Warrington – She Looks forward to working with the Town and any other entities with field scheduling as long as it doesn't endanger their Charter and they will provide any documentation that is required.

## 7. Old Business:

### A. Fireworks – Update:

- Mayor Myers spoke about the latest Clark County fireworks workshop that he attended with Council members Boget and Moseley.
- The County wants “safe and sane” fireworks. Nothing that goes higher than 12 to 24 inches. The lead County Councilor driving the movement should not have so much sway on the initiative because her house caught on fire. Fireworks vendors were present. The Council was discussing a three day sales period and a one day launch period. The fireworks vendors said it wasn’t worth putting up their tents. When asked who would enforce the fireworks, Mayor Myers was told “The Fire Marshal can do it.” No Sheriffs were present. The survey on social media about the usage of fireworks was very one-sided. At the County meeting tomorrow they are going to discuss the results of that poll.
- Council member Boget stated that it was a workshop and that the County Councilors would be holding a public meeting but there would be no public input. At the workshop. The County will hold a Public Meeting for input from the parties involved.
- Council member Bryant asked about small town enforcement so that others don’t come to the Town. She also asked how many citations were written in 2017. Mayor Myers answered with one.
- Council member Moseley stated that questions were not answered at the workshop.
- Council member Boget let everyone know that Eileen Quiring is our County Representative and to contact Ms. Quiring and let her know what your opinion is, whether for or against.

### B. Town Clerk Position – Update:

Council member Boget let the Council know that the hiring committee will be holding interviews with the top four candidates on May 17<sup>th</sup>. The candidates will do some competency testing before the interviews.

### C. Extension of Interlocal Agreement with Battle Ground for Clerk Services:

MOTION: Council member Rowe-Tice moved to extend the agreement through the end of May, 2018 and authorize the Mayor to sign any additional extensions as needed.

SECOND: Council member Bryant

AYES: Council members Boget, Bryant, Noble, Moseley, Rowe-Tice

VOTE: Motion Carried

## 8. New Business:

### A. Sheriff:

- Chief Enforcement Officer John Chapman left information with the Assistant Clerk to be added to the Town's website.
- The Deputies are only scheduled to be in Town for 6.5 hours a week.
- In 2015 there were 352 total calls for traffic and service; about one per day.
- Council member Noble stated he had respect for the Sheriffs. He asked what can be done about the speeding in Town. Chief Chapman stated that the worst offenders live here in Town. Chief Chapman also stated that the Deputies have done saturation patrols here with over-time.
- The Deputies up here have an area of 180 square miles in North Clark County. When the other Deputy that cover part of Clark County is out, that increases to 360 square miles. Deputy Sheriff Tim Gosch stated that he puts 400 miles a day on his car. Clark County is the densest county in the state other than King County. The Sheriff's department is extremely short staffed.
- Citizen – The 6.5 hours the Deputies spend here is good. Law enforcement is doing their job even if they are not writing tickets.
- Jeff Carothers let everyone know that the Deputies spend more than 6.5 hours a week here. He asked if the Town could have the Speed Box brought out. Is the Town still on the list for that? Chief Chapman said that it could be brought out.
- Council member Noble asked if anyone had seen Deputies on Lucia Falls Road. He stated that it is a waste of time to put in speed bumps. Putting Stop signs at the corners of E. Jones St. and S. Hubbard Ave is a waste of money. Deputy Sheriff Gosch stated that it will help. The citizens can get a plate number and description of the vehicle and call 311 with the information.

### B. Draft Resolution #567 – KWRL Use Agreement:

- Mayor Myers requested copies of old agreements with North Clark Little League.
- Patty Bengé – The Little League is digging for information. The Town should ask Paul Tester. He may have some paper work.
- Citizen. The Little League could be on the Town website. That's what community expects to see there.
- Judy – She got into Little League because the National Little League Association was going to take North Clark's charter.
- Jeff Carothers – The Town has always tried to work with the Little League but now the Little League is on the Yacolt Discussion Forum. There are things on there that aren't true and there is a lot of hearsay. He asked everyone to make sure they have all the facts before they open their mouths.
- Ron Walker – Is KWRL a non-profit – Yes.

- Council member Bryant – Whether it's Little League or Babe Ruth League, those are ball fields and they're all supporting children's activities. We need to come together and work together for the benefit of all of the children. It's Town Property and we should be here for the kids.
- Citizen – It is a little more complicated than that because North Clark has to operate under Little League International. Parents paid for Little League and now they're supporting another entity and that may lead to the destruction of our Charter.
- Citizen – The Little League teaches the kids the fundamentals of baseball.
- Council member Boget – The use agreement is non-exclusive; allowing another entity to be able to enjoy the field.
- Citizen – NCLL should have exclusive field 4 from next year on. The Town is giving more access to the fields than NCLL feels appropriate.
- Judy – NCLL cannot support another team. They cannot let someone else use anything the parents have paid for.
- Stephanie – former player for North Clark for six years – She doesn't want someone else coming and taking their field. "It's ours."
- Council member Noble – NCLL is number one. The kids are number one but NCLL is number one.

Motion: Council member Bryant moved to table the subject until the paperwork from NCLL was brought in.

SECOND: Council member Rowe-Tice

AYES: Council members Boget, Bryant, Noble, Moseley, Rowe-Tice

VOTE: Motion Carried

- Mayor Myers – This discussion will be tabled until we get the paperwork in and he has a chance to look at it. We are not going to set a date for it because we don't know how long it is going to take to get the paperwork.

C. North Clark Little League:

- Stephanie Massie – Sponsors are concerned about putting their money into a league where another entity is going to come in and use a field. "Where do we go from here?" Can KWRL still use field 4? NCLL is hesitant to put money in if KWRL is allowed to use the field. Want agreement in writing. They have to protect the Charter. She will email the Council the minutes from the first meeting with Mayor Myers, KWRL and NCLL.
- There was more discussion at this time but people were talking over each other and I couldn't tell what people were saying.
- Citizen - Can KWRL use without a signed agreement?
- Will Block – He has helped start several fields. Stated history of his playing ball. Spoke about costs for the teams and that they have scholarships for poorer kids. KWRL has insurance too. They also are a 501c3. He has a contract with every school in the county.

- Janelle – Her son played on field 4 for a few weeks and she stopped letting him play there because she didn't feel comfortable.
- Citizen – Happy to have KWRL at the field as long as NCLL doesn't lose their Charter. How do they reimburse the league you are sharing a field with?
- Inaudible
- Council member Boget – If we are able to figure out a way for usage to coexist, whether that comes from them be protected where if they use a portion of water garbage etc, that they are paid. KWRL isn't using NCLL resources. They have their own garbage, your own equipment, everything. The only thing that is co-used is that field. Is that something...inaudible
- Citizen – I think that's great but not for here. We're not big enough. Our size dictates what we have to do so we have to be selfish with our players.
- Umpire in Chief – That field is not safe for play. Maintenance has been done on that field but it's going to take more than a band aid to get that field safe. Mayor Myers stated he walked field 4 and could not find any safety issues.
- Citizen – Will Block keeps saying Yacolt kids but they are not all Yacolt kids.
- Mayor Myers – Best opportunity for kids with both leagues.
- Citizen – One year agreement for KWRL and all stuff for KWRL should be taken care of by KWRL.
- Mayor Myers – One year agreement is feasible but five year agreement with the 60 days notice clause, where if they aren't meeting the requirements we can say you're done. We can have an agreement for one year for a couple 3 years to find out if it's viable.
- Citizen – When we came before the Council we were told we could not play on it until it had the net. That's what was relayed at our Board meeting. Mayor Myers and Council – That has never been said.
- Stephanie – Without this agreement can KWRL practice with no games? They did work on the field but without our guidance. – Mayor Myers – There has been some difficulty with your grounds keeper communicating with them so they had to go on... Yes. Field 4 Mondays after 6 p.m. and Sundays after 1 p.m.
- Stephanie Massie – No answer on softball tournament or fall ball. Answer Yes – No one said any different.

D. Executive Session:

Mayor Myers read a statement of the Executive Session. The session is scheduled for 20 minutes and the Public Meeting will reconvene at 9:15 p.m. At 9:15, Mayor Myers came out and told the citizens that he was extending the session 15 minutes until 9:30 p.m.



**9. Mayor's Comments:**

Mayor Myers thanked everyone for coming out and voicing their opinions. He let the citizens and the Council know Mayor Pro-Tem Boget will be acting Mayor starting the 20<sup>th</sup> so she will be running the next meeting.

**10. Attorney's Comments:**

None

**11. Council's Comments:**

Council member Boget said it was National Clerk's Week and thanked Assistant Clerk Younce.

Mayor Myers also expressed thanks.

Council member Bryant stated that she was working on the signs for the Bigfoot Fun Run.

Council member Noble would like stop signs at the corners of E. Jones St. and S. Hubbard Ave. to create a four way stop.

Council member Bryant let everyone know that we are coming up to the time for the 6 Year Transportation Plan soon. She would like that presented at the first meeting in June.

Council member Moseley let the citizens know it is nice to see everyone involved and giving opinions.

**12. Public Works Comments:**

None

**13. Town Clerk Comments:**

Assistant Clerk Younce asked the Council if they still wanted flash Drives. She stated that if she ordered through Amazon she could use the Town credit card and not have to purchase herself and then be reimbursed. She asked how many the Council how many she should order. Mayor Myers suggested to order 15 from Amazon so the flash drives could be switched out each meeting and there would be a few extras in case of loss or damage.

The invoices from Waste Connections came in for the Spring Cleanup. Trucks and drivers cost \$3,086.33. Disposal of the Garbage cost \$2,685.69. The total cost for Spring Cleanup is \$5,772.02 not including staff time and town equipment use. It was asked how much money was brought in. The answer was about \$1,800.00.

**14. Pay Bills on behalf of the Town:**

MOTION: Council member Boget moved to approve payment of the bills on behalf of the Town.

SECOND: Council Member Moseley


AYES: Council members Boget, Noble, Moseley

NAYS: Council members Bryant, Rowe-Tice

VOTE: Motion Carried

**15. Adjourn:**

Mayor Myers adjourned the meeting at 9:40 p.m.

  
Amy Boget, Mayor Pro-Tem  
Katie Younce, Assistant Clerk

Current Expense	11,343.90
Streets	11,418.62
Cemetery	107.98
Storm Water	2,052.52

Claims	11,300.29
Payroll	13,622.73