**TOWN OF YACOLT, WASHINGTON**

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE June 3, 2013**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE**

**PRESENT:** Mayor, Jeff Carothers

Councilmember(s): Josh Karl, Lewis Gerhardt, Dave Hancock, Vince Myers, Rick Urias

**ABSENT:**

**STAFF:** Cindy Marbut: Town Clerk

Pete Roberts: Public Works Director

David Ridenour: Town Attorney

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING May 20, 2013**

MOTION: Councilmember: Karl

SECOND: Myers

ABSENT:

Vote: 5-0

No: 0

\*Motion Passed.

**LATE CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

None

**CITIZEN COMMUNICATION**

Darrell Cahoon addressed the council about the pit bull dog located behind his home, he stated the dog is vicious in nature and is fearful for his dog and himself. He stated that he was upset that the owner would not repair his fence to secure the animal. He asked what could be done. The council and mayor responded the first step was to get the address and we would contact animal control.

Jack Thompson introduced himself as a new resident and the newly appointed president of the North Clark Little League. He expressed to the council the desire to work closely with the town and it citizens as well as the council. He gave a bit of history in his experiences working with volunteer organizations. He hoped to turn things around with the Little League board. The mayor expressed the towns support for him and the little league.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Resolution # 494 Interlocal Yard Debris**

Clerk informed council that this was brought back from the last meeting upon request of council member Myers who wanted public input. There were no comments.

MOTION: Myers

SECOND: Hancock

VOTE: 5-0

No:

\*Motion Passed.

**B. Yacolt vs. State Auditor Update – David Ridenour**

David spoke to the council and citizens present to update those who were interested and following the case. He updated them on where we were with the service of court action on all parties. Everyone had been served on May 7th and had until May 28th to respond. There was a letter from the newly appointed Assistant Attorney General Mark Jobson, that council received and available for the public. David clarified questions from the council. He stated the attorneys for the Yacolt parties would be meeting and preparing strategies in response to the intent of the Assistant Attorney General. David noted that he had received another installment of documents as part of the public records request he had filed. He expected to have another one later in June. He stated he had not looked at all of it as of yet.

\*\* Informational Only

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Metal Detection- Clerk**

Clerk stated that she had received a phone call about the rules of metal detection in the town. She was concerned about holes not being filled after being dug up. Council member Myers agreed. Jack Thompson from Little League stated that there was a women at the ball field digging up the ground with a detector and they expressed it was not allowed perhaps it was the same person. Council did not want to write and ordinance but stated there should be signs noting that digging was a violation and carried penalty. David stated it could be enforced as property owner. Clerk was instructed to purchase signage.

\*Discussion

**Mayors Comments**

Mayor reminded the council and citizens that the 4th of July was quickly approaching. There was still a lot to prepare and urged the citizens and council to volunteer their time and services. There would be citizen meeting on June 4th at town hall.

**Public Works Report**

Pete spoke with Battle Ground and they have declined to assist us in our endeavor to obtain our own building dept. He has reached out to Woodland to see if they can be of assistance. ATT had contacted us for placement of a cell tower however none of our locations were acceptable so they are now working with the Fire Dept for placement. Timer locks have been purchased for the town park restrooms we are experiencing a lot of damage to them so now we will install timed locks. The Interlocal agreement was signed and approved for the work on RR Ave and will begin in August. He would like to have a committee formed with citizens and council members to assist in the writing of an interim strategy for the Dept of Ecology as required, asked council to see him or offer any names of citizens that would be willing to help him. He stated he really needed help.

**Treasurers Report**

Cindy stated the council members had received budget position at their tables. She stated the town did not receive funding by the parks foundation for the second phase of the skate park. We would try to apply again next year or maybe apply for something for the new park.

**WARRANTS**

\*Current Expenses: $ 9,804.11

\*City Streets: $12,387.74

\*Cemetery $362.92

\*Transportation Impact $5,958.15

\*Recreation Imp. $ 942.24

\*Storm Water $3.21

\* Payroll $19062.63

\*Warrants presented in the amount of 29,458.37

MOTION: Urias to pay the bills

SECOND: Gerhardt

VOTE: 5 - 0

NO:

ABSENT:

Motion unanimously passed.

**ADJOURN** 7:40

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Minutes approved on 6/17/2013