TOWN OF YACOLT, WASHINGTON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

DATE: June 15, 2015
CALL TO ORDER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE
PRESENT: Mayor Carothers

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

ABSENT: Councilmember(s) Nancy Tester

STAFF: Town Clerk: Cindy Marbut

Public Works Director: Pete Roberts Town Attorney: David Ridenour

APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: June 1, 2015 (with corrections to voting on Item B old business)

MOTION: Councilmember: Myers SECOND: Councilmember: Hancock

VOTE: 4-0

YES: Councilmember(s): Hancock, Urias, Karl, Myers

NO:

ABSENT: Tester

*Motion unanimously passed.

LATE CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Dave Chambers 2275 St. Helens View Rd. spoke to the council about the need for improved transportation in the area. The over capacitated Hwy 5002 & 503 warrants the need for more bus service in Yacolt. We need more carpooling and bus service to connect to Portland out here. He encouraged the leadership to develop a relationship with C Tran that brings more bus service to Yacolt. Mayor commented about our position on the C Tran Board and our efforts.

OLD BUSINESS

A. B & O Tax, Internet Fee, Cable Franchise - David Ridenour

David gave an update to the council that included he had not made any additional progress on this matter but intended to have more direct and continuous communication with council on the matter in upcoming month.

*Informational

B. C Tran Update – David Ridenour

Mayor informed the council that council member Tester was taking over where former council member Gerhardt left off as the C Tran representative at board meetings for C Tran. He talked about the vision of David Madore to spend the money wisely and give it back to cities and towns to develop their own transportation. Citizens need to participate when voting on C Tran. He reviewed the issues we have faced about the current inter-local and sharing of the board seats. He has been in touch with Mayor Irish of La Center on the issues, Mayor Irish sent Mayor Carothers a copy of the most recent board meeting agenda.

David Ridenour, town attorney, was directed by the council to draft an email to set up another meeting with the mayors to address the board seats issue in the inter-local that has not been approved by Yacolt.

*Informational

C. Employment Contract PT hours Pete Roberts

David Ridenour, town attorney, reminded the council that the deadline to make any adjustments to this contract was at the end of the month. It will auto renew in Jan unless council wishes to make changes at that time. Council and Mayor discussed the hours and if service was being affected. Mayor noted no issues. No changes were made.

*Discussion Only

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Conditional Use Temporary Occupancy- Food Cart RR Ave. Rest. Property – Cathy Carr, Cherrie Smith

Cathy and Cherrie were both present and discussed the plans for the Restaurant on RR Ave and the roadblocks they have been facing, they didn't think they would be able to place the food cart by the time they had hoped and it looked like they might open the restaurant very soon. Council Myers suggested they be given the permit in case they had additional issues delaying the opening of the restaurant so they could establish business as they had requested. Permit was granted for 1 year with conditions that health dept. requirements be met, food cart could only be placed in grassy area of parking lot and when the restaurant opened the food cart would no longer be placed in parking lot.

MOTION: Councilmember: Myers SECOND: Councilmember: Karl

VOTE: 4-0

YES: Councilmember(s): Hancock, Urias, Karl, Myers

NO:

ABSENT: Tester

*Motion unanimously passed

Mayor Comments:

Mayor reminded citizens that a Medical Clinic Town Hall meeting would be on June 23, 2015 @ Yacolt Primary, the task force that had been created was at a point in time where citizen input was needed to move forward. Flyers have been placed all over the surrounding area giving notice of the meeting. Bigfoot photos have been taken and placed on the website. Flyers for that event have been handed out at other races by Mayor and Cindy clerk treasurer. Mayor showed off his tie for a competition he was in but noted he did not win this year, he did however win the lip sync contest he participated in. He also reminded those present the need for volunteers for our upcoming event.

Town Attorney: David stated the Animal Control inter-local was in need of review and he would be working on that. He updated the council on the Building Inspectors insurance certification not being updated as of this date, he gave an update on the State Auditors Legislation he was working on the delay it is facing.

Public Works:

Pavilion is under construction and the Public Works Dept. would be working on the upcoming event there is lots to do.

Clerk Treasurer:

Attended a CAB meeting with the Sheriff's Dept. as a new member, they will be planning an event in Sept. Discussed the problems with the local post office and mailing of our checks to our vendors. Clerk filed a report with the postal service on more than one occasion the checks are not reaching their destination. Council asked that direct pay be used whenever possible to ensure our vendors payments. Council was provided the Treasurers report and cash flow statements.

WARRANTS June 9th - 15th

*Current Expenses:

\$14,251.22

*City Streets:

\$ 23,350.43

*Cemetery

\$ 105.49

*Storm Water

\$2019.67

Pay Bills presented in the amount of \$25,475.59

MOTION: Myers SECOND: Hancock

VOTE: -0

YES: Councilmember(s): Urias, Karl, Hancock, Myers

NO:

ABSENT: Tester

Motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURN: 7:47 pm

Cindy Marbut

Town Clerk

Minutes approved on July 6, 2015

Jeff Carothers

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