TOWN OF YACOLT, WASHINGTON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

DATE: May 18, 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)

STAFF: Town Clerk: Cindy Marbut

Public Works Director: Not in attendance

Town Attorney: Not in attendance

APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGs on April 20, 2015 & May 4, 2015

MOTION: Councilmember: Myers with noted correction to the spelling of Steve Rader's name

SECOND: Councilmember: Hancock

VOTE: 4-0

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

NO: ABSENT:

*Motion unanimously passed.

LATE CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Clerk added 2 items, under old business item C Resolution #523 Hi Tech Concrete Bid, and under new business item F Resolution # 522 Unity Electric Bid.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Commander KC Kasberg from the Clark County Sheriff's Dept. was present, he introduced himself as the newly promoted Commander for our area as of March 2015. He talked about the exciting changes and the hiring of new staff to include deputies. He talked about the length of time it takes to hire a deputy being 9 months of training. He had reviewed the contract with the Town of Yacolt and didn't see any need for modifications at this point in time. Mayor asked for quarterly reports to the council about issues that affect the town. Commander Kasberg reminded citizens that calling 911 was the best resource to get assistance in the town calling the office number only gets you to desk person who cannot help. He stated there may be a slight delay depending on where the officer is but you will get a response. Citizens pointed out drug dealing by the RR station. Council Myers asked about community watch programs. Mayor told citizens to keep their eyes and ears open and note what times and locations where problems occur and to give that information to the Sheriff this will help them help us. There was discussion about National Night out and their participation this year and a new program called Dog Watch that the Clerk has been trying to get out in Yacolt.

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OLD BUSINESS

A. Internet Fee, Cable Franchise, B & O Tax

David was not present. The mayor stated he was still working on the issue and would possibly have something to report at the next meeting. He was arranging a meeting with the County Treasurer to discuss. * Discussion Only

B. Steve Rader Investment Options - Resolution # 521

Mayor asked Steve to re-cap what the options for investments the Town was looking at for the citizens present. Steve reviewed the options available and the earning potential for the type of investments. Investments would be to 3 types of bond funds to allow diversity.

MOTION: Councilmember: Urias SECOND: Councilmember: Myers

VOTE: 4-0

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

NO: ABSENT:

*Motion unanimously passed.

C. Resolution # 523 - Hi-Tech Concrete Bid Acceptance

Clerk expressed the need for the Resolution as part of the acceptance of the bid process for the CDBG project Pavilion. They would be starting the project in June and have it complete before the end of the month.

MOTION: Councilmember: Urias SECOND: Councilmember: Hancock

VOTE: 4-0

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

NO: ABSENT:

*Motion unanimously passed

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Carolyn Rinta – Historical Items

Carolyn brought in 2 books of historical value that were chronological dates of events through the years of 1853-1953. The books were written by a long time resident who no longer lives here. The Mayor accepted the books but made it a condition that no one could remove the books from town hall. They could be viewed at Town Hall only for the protection of the information.

*Informational Only

B. Council Member Interviews/ Executive Session/ Appointment

Mayor explained the process of how the interviews would take place. Dana Hurst stood and withdrew his application due to work related issues that would prevent him from attending meetings. Council Meeting adjourned to public meeting Nancy Tester was interviewed in a public meeting first, Andy Bronkhorst was removed from the room during the interview, Andy was brought out after the first interview was complete to interview in the public meeting. Public meeting was closed and reopened as council meeting the Mayor closed council meeting and adjourned to a 10 minute executive session for discussion on applicants. Meeting was reopened as Council meeting and Mayor he stated each member would vote and in the case

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of a tie he would be the deciding vote, he asked each council member individually who they would like to appoint as Council position # 3. 2 votes Nancy Tester, 2 votes Andy Bronkhorst. Mayors vote Nancy Tester.

Nancy Vote: Myers, Urias Andy Vote: Karl, Hancock

Mayor: Nancy

C. Rotate Finance Committee- Vince Myers

The finance committee is on a regular rotation of council members. Nomination for Dave Hancock to take Vince Myers place was made.

MOTION: Councilmember: Karl SECOND: Councilmember: Urias

VOTE: 4-0

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

NO: ABSENT:

*Motion unanimously passed.

D. Arts Commission Representative -

Clerk explained that there is an email in their packets that requested that Battle Ground, Council be allowed to appoint a representative for Yacolt. Yacolt has not had a representative for the past 3 years. Clerk stated that the request for a volunteer had been posted on the website, reader boards and at several meetings. The person who would represent us does not have to live in the town limits according to the commission, there were other cities with representatives that do not live in the city they represent. No one wanted to volunteer for the position. Council Myers was concerned about allowing Battle Ground the ability to appoint for us with-out meeting the person first. Clerk was asked to find out who it would be and have them attend next meeting.

*Discussion Only

E. Jim Linderman Conditional Use Permit

Jim asked the council for permission to move a 1951 trailer on to his property so his son's family could move into it. His son stated that he had looked at the trailer and it was in good condition. Jim stated when he passes away his son and family can move into the house. There was discussion on the year of the trailer and the length of time requested. There was concern about septic conditions and health dept. requirements. Additionally the Town has an ordinance that prohibits this year of trailer to be placed on any property for living. Mayor stated there was much information to review and council agreed. This will be placed on the next agenda pending review of information.

*Discussion only

F. Resolution # 522 Unity Electric Bid Acceptance

Clerk stated that this too was part of the CDBG project Pavilion and that bids were accepted for the electrical work but only one bidder attended the bid opening. The resolution was to accept the bid.

MOTION: Councilmember: Myers SECOND: Councilmember: Hancock

VOTE: 4-0

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

NO:

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ABSENT:

*Motion unanimously passed

Mayor Comments:

Mayor thanked every for attending tonight's meeting and hoped everyone would return. The fact that some of the meetings are not well attended must mean that citizens are happy about the choices that are being made. He thanked all of the applicants again for being a part of the community and encouraged them to continue to take part in the town government, even though they were not chosen this evening there would be 3 positions available during the upcoming elections.

Public Works:

Not present

Clerk Treasurer:

Cindy informed the council that annual reports had been filed and that she had provided them with the Treasurers Report and cash flow statements.

WARRANTS

*Current Expenses:

\$4927.55

*City Streets:

\$1116.35

*Cemetery

\$8.81

*Storm Water

\$8.56

Pay Bills presented in the amount of \$5431.27

Bills from 5-4-15 meeting in the amount of \$23,148.54 on 5-4-15 per ordinance giving authority to Clerk in the absence of quorum.

MOTION: Myers SECOND: Karl

VOTE: 4-0

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

NO:

ABSENT:

Motion unanimously passed.

ADJOURN: 8:30 pm

Cindy Marbut

Town Clerk

Jeff Carothers

Minutes approved on June 1, 2015