

TOWN OF YACOLT, WASHINGTON
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

DATE: March 20, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Mayor Carothers

Council-member (s): Dave Hancock, Katie Listek, Jason Wallway, Vince Myers and Nancy Tester

ABSENT: Council-member(s):

STAFF: Town Clerk: Absent

Public Works Director: Absent

Town Attorney: David Ridenour

APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting: Council-member Listek

SECOND: Council-member: Hancock

VOTE: 5-0

YES: Council-member(s): Hancock, Wallway, Tester, Myers, and Listek

NO:

ABSENT:

****Motion unanimously passed.***

LATE CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Item D under New Business was added for the Fort Vancouver Friends of the Library by Council-member Hancock

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

A.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Proposed Resolution # 554 – Accept Engineering Qualifications – Pete Roberts, Public Works Director

Pete Roberts was not in attendance, Mayor Carothers, gave background to how the process works for the selection of a new Engineer for the town. He expressed that a firm was selected and the Town Attorney, David Ridenour, had sent out an email with the proposed resolution with the Agreement. There was one notable point regarding the use of the current engineer firm AKS

Engineering to continue working on the current project of Yacolt Crossings and the RR project since they were already half way into the projects. Jackson Civil Engineering would work on all new projects moving forward upon signing of the agreement. Council-member Myers asked about a typo in his copy and David Ridenour, Town Attorney stated he had cleaned up those errors.

A motion was made by council member Myers to accept Resolution # 554

SECOND: Council-member: Tester

VOTE: 5-0

YES: Council-member(s): Hancock, Wallway, Tester, Myers and Listek

NO:

ABSENT:

****Motion unanimously passed***

B. Discussion on Presentation of Property by Seniors Group

North County Seniors Group representative (unidentified) was present, there was background given on how the group came to donate the land to the Town of Yacolt, They would like to honor the people who originally gave the land to the senior group and the donation of the land to the Town by having a ceremony or celebration. Mayor Carothers explained the group was responsible for the donation of the paving of the parking area at the Yacolt Library Express. Mayor talked about the media being in attendance for the event. The group stated they have purchased a stone marker for the property. There will be refreshments for the event. Mayor Carothers suggested waiting until the weather was better in June or July. The group suggested after the Bigfoot Fun Run or 4th of July. Council –member Wallway asked for meeting information to provide for any citizens that may be interested. The group stated that anyone was welcome. Council-member Myers suggested that the event take place on the 4th of the July. Council-member Listek suggested during the time of the sidewalk chalk contest. Council-member Tester agreed the 4th of July would be a good day. Mayor Carothers suggested that we reach out to the media to see if we can get support for that date.

****Discussion Only***

C. Arts Commission Update- Amy Boget

Amy Boget, the Yacolt Arts Commission liaison explained there is a lot of restructuring going on and a new chairperson being selected. There will be a solar eclipse on the 24th of August 4:06 – 6:38 pm. Suggested going to one of the parks and making it a city wide event. There will be Arts summit later in the year. Day of painting rocks in the works with the support of Vancouver Rockery and paint donations. There are a lot of people willing to donate to this event, the hope is to make this a county wide event and location specific. Suggestion was making it part of National Night Out. Steve Mayer came to a meeting and would like to find 1 building for a pilot project of painting mural's on warn buildings. There is no confirmation on if Yacolt would be of an interest as of yet for this project.

****Informational Only***

D. Yacolt Friends of the Library Express – Dave Hancock, Council Member

Provided an application to become a member to the Council and those present. He explained vital information on what the membership has accomplished. He explained the membership costs. The question was posed as to whether there was a monetary goal. There was further explanation on books available for sale and where all the proceeds go. Council-member Wallway asked if there were needs for the library. There was discussion on various needs.

****Informational Only***

Mayor Carothers Comments:

Banner Sales are going well, there is a selection of banners in relation to the town specifically. Flower baskets are being donated by a family this year and now is the opportunity to help with banner. This says a lot about our community and what we are trying to accomplish, with all the improvements. We will keep moving forward on this. The town did not get the CDBG project funds for paving the recreation park parking lot. There was a lot of competition on this grant. Washougal was ranked # 1 in the voting process and they were deserving of the funding. He explained how the voting process and funding is expended. He talked about the Parks Foundation Grant that the town had applied for. He explained that we had asked for concrete picnic tables and bleachers. There is no final word on if we will get the grant as of today

David Ridenour, Attorney Comments

Council was given a copy of the planning agreement for services of updating zoning ordinance. A proof copy of Yacolt Municipal Code arrived today, he will email it and it has been added to drop box. He is still waiting to hear back from attorney's from Code Publishing. There may be something on the next agenda to consider for approval. He talked about the Transportation Benefit District being inexpensive and the processes that would take place. He mentioned it is viable form of income but did not know where the council wanted to go with this issue. Council-member Listek stated she did not like that it only applied to the town residents only. David, talked about Mobilitie and the contract development.

Council Comments

Council-member Listek spoke with a county representative regarding a trail from Yacolt to Moulton Falls. She talked about the possibility of having parking in town to make it safer. She is waiting to hear back.

Council-member Tester stated she will be attending the C-Tran meeting on Tuesday Night.

Pete Roberts, Public Works Director

Mayor Carothers explained that Pete was at a family emergency

Cindy Marbut, Town Clerk

Mayor Carothers, explained that Cindy was at the Clerk Training Conference. He passed along for her the following information. Agendase should be set up by the end of the month, she asked for patience on the website, she is still learning how to manage the site, she asked for the council to decide on a theme for the parade by the next meeting, volunteers for the upcoming events and for the Fun & Games that would take place at the Town Park immediately following the parade on the 4th of July that has been put together with Lisa

Stenson. Mayor Carothers talked about some of the games that will be going on. We are looking for volunteers for the litter patrol on the same day as the spring clean-up, there is call in to the County to get some of the trash picked up.

*There were two questions posed by citizens one was on the fireworks which was answered by the Mayor with yes the Bowe brothers will be doing the fireworks.

The other question asked for clarification on the trails which was answered by Council-member Listek in that she wanted to get the non-motorized trail to come to and through Yacolt to connect us to the County, there are no walking trails in Yacolt other than the parks.

***Motion was made by Council-member Tester to pay the bills on behalf of the town in the amount of \$15,986.17**

WARRANTS

*Current Expenses: \$15,160.56

*Streets: \$825.61

*Cemetery: \$

*Storm Water: \$

SECOND: Council-member: Wallway

VOTE: 5


YES: Council-member(s): Listek, Hancock, Wallway, Myers and Tester


NO:

ABSENT:

***Motion unanimously passed.**

ADJORN: 8:04 pm.


Cindy Marbut, Town Clerk


Jeff Carothers, Mayor

Minutes approved on April 3, 2017