

Town of Oakesdale
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
For
March 4, 2013

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Dennis Palmer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Mayor Dennis Palmer, Randy Robinson, Tom Crooks, Tom Johnson and Al Evans. Council member Kelli Meserve was not in attendance. Also present was Mary DeGon, Clerk/Treasurer.
- III. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** Randy Noble from TD&H and Judi Gray from Whitman County Recycling Program.
- IV. **RANDY NOBLE, TD&H:** Randy gave council members a status report on the Front Street Project and the Steptoe Sidewalk Replacement Project.

Front Street Project:

- Right-of-way issues have been resolved
- Design work has resumed
- Geotechnical work will be accomplished on Monday, March 11th

Steptoe Sidewalk Project:

- TIB has allowed the use of a supplemental agreement to the Front Street Project
- Need council's approval for the Mayor to sign the agreement

Schedule:

- Review with Town – April 26, 2013
- Complete Design – May 3, 2013
- Approval to Advertise – May 20, 2013
- Advertise for Bids – May 23, 2013
- Open Bids – June 22, 2013
- Start Construction – July 1, 2013
- Complete Construction – August 30, 2013

Tom Johnson made the motion to allow the Mayor to sign the Consultant Supplemental Agreement No. 2 for the Steptoe Sidewalk Replacement Project. Randy Robinson seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**

- V. **JUDI GRAY, WHITMAN COUNTY RECYCLING:** Judy gave council members a copy of a letter from Whitman County to NWPSC in support of product stewardship principles and

the integration of these principles into the policy and economic structure of the Pacific Northwest. The letter addressed support for the paint and batteries programs would greatly benefit both Washington and our local communities. Paint collection often represents over half of the hazardous waste collection costs for local government solid waste related programs. If the paint industry were to offset these costs through product stewardship, user tax or user fee, it would create a significant long term savings for local jurisdictions who are struggling to provide services. Judi stated they just received news today that their request was shot down. Judy had flyers for Whitman County's spring clean up week which will be April 8, 2013 through April 20, 2013. The cost per ton will be \$35 with a \$15 minimum. She reminded council members that single stream recycling is coming this year to Whitman County. It will begin in the Pullman area first. We did discuss containers outside the recycling center for cardboard and mixed paper.

VI. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: Council members reviewed February 19, 2013 minutes. Randy Robinson made the motion to approve the minutes as written. Tom Johnson seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**

VII. TOWN MARSHAL REPORT: None

VIII. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: None

IX. OLD BUSINESS:

A. FRONT STREET PROJECT – This was covered under Section IV with Randy Noble. Our backhoe will be used to assist Geotechnical in digging soil samples.

B. AGREEMENT FROM NOANET – Al Evans made the motion to allow the Mayor to sign the NoaNet agreement that would allow installation of a fiber optic line to our library. Whitman County Library agrees to maintain the line. Tom Johnson seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**

C. BUSINESS INCUBATOR – We have not heard back from the Masons on their building dilemma.

X. NEW BUSINESS:

A. LIBRARY BUILDING – We have barricaded part of the sidewalk by the library due to bricks being loose on the top of the building. We are awaiting a bid from Mark Doneen for the repair work. Mark repaired the little gas station's brick for us a few years ago. Mayor Palmer will follow up with Mark on getting his bid.

XI. COUNCIL MEMBER'S BUSINESS:

AL – Nothing at this time.

TOM J. – A thank you to our Public Works staff – they get right at it!

TOM C. – Nothing at this time.

RANDY – Nothing at this time.

- XII. TREASURER’S REPORT/APPROVAL OF CHECKS:** Council members reviewed the Treasurer’s Report, Receipt Register and Check Register for February 2013. Tom Johnson made the motion to approve paid checks #23251 - #23267 in the amount of \$6,138.79 for claims and \$5,695.23 for payroll totaling \$11,834.02 from February 21, 2013 through February 28, 2013 AND EFT payment to EFTPS in the amount of \$1,679.32 for employee federal taxes. Al Evans seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**
- XIII. ADJOURNMENT:** Randy Robinson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. Al Evans seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**

DENNIS PALMER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Mary DeGon, Clerk/Treasurer