

Town of Oakesdale
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
For
April 15, 2013

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Dennis Palmer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Mayor Dennis Palmer, Kelli Meserve, Al Evans, Tom Johnson and Randy Robinson. Councilman Tom Crooks was not in attendance. Also present was Mary DeGon, Clerk/Treasurer.
- III. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** Randy Noble & Steve Schmedding from TD&H and Dolores Haley.
- IV. **RANDY NOBLE, TD&H:** Randy Noble introduced Steve Schmedding who will be the project engineer for Front Street Reconstruction Project. Randy gave project updates:
- Front Street
- Design work continues
 - Need type of retaining wall desired – the retaining wall is going to be shorter than first anticipated and Randy believes there would be enough funding to have a concrete retaining wall. They need to be a bit further in the design phase before we will know for sure. Council consensus was to go with concrete. If there is not enough funding for concrete then the second choice would be a rock wall.
 - Discussion of drainage swale – they are going to change the drainage swale from being a collection type swale to boring drain pipes under the highway to the catch basin on the other side. Randy will check with WSDOT on the specs required.
 - Randy asked council members to consider replacing the water main on the hill on Front Street while the road was under construction. This cost will not be a part of the grant funding and could cost the Town around \$15,000.
- Steptoe Sidewalk
- Design work started
 - They will redesign the ADA ramp and steps into the post office
- V. **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:** Council members reviewed April 1, 2013 minutes. Tom Johnson made the motion to approve the minutes as written. Kelli Meserve seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**
- VI. **OLD BUSINESS:**
- A. **LIBRARY BUILDING** – We are waiting for Stephen Bishop to give us the contact information on a brick masonry the Town of Rosalia used.
- B. **PROJECT UPDATES – Steptoe Bridge, Front Street & Steptoe Sidewalk** – Front Street and Steptoe Sidewalk projects were covered under Section IV with Randy

Noble from TD&H. Denny informed council we received the contract provisions and plans from JUB for the Steptoe Bridge project.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. PURCHASE OF LOTS FROM FFLC – We have officially purchased the lots back we sold Friends for Living Choices in 2010. The purchase price and closing costs came to \$7,880.41.

VIII. PLANNING: Al asked if we purchased the new riding mower. The mower was purchased and already in use. Council discussed the funds we would need to use from either our operating budget or reserves to replace the water line up Front Street. Dennis gave an Old Mills Day update. The date is now July 20th and they are planning on a parade, entertainment, 3-on-3 basketball tournament and beer gardens. WSDOT has already been advised of the parade route and street closures.

IX. COUNCIL MEMBER'S BUSINESS:

RANDY – Nothing at this time.

TOM J. – Complimented our Public Works department.

AL – Nothing at this time.

KELLIE – Nothing at this time.

DENNIS – He personally purchased a bird bath to donate to the Town to be placed on the sidewalk from First Street up the hill to the school.

X. TREASURER'S REPORT/APPROVAL OF CHECKS: Council members reviewed the Treasurer's Report for April 2013 and the first quarter budget position. Al Evans made the motion to approve paid checks #23313 - #23338 in the amount of \$22,204.77 for claims and \$7,075.86 for payroll totaling \$29,280.63 from April 3, 2013 through April 15, 2013. Tom Johnson seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**

XI. ADJOURNMENT: Al Evans made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 p.m. Tom Johnson seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**

ATTEST:

DENNIS PALMER, MAYOR

Mary DeGon, Clerk/Treasurer