

Town of Oakesdale
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
For
June 1, 2015

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Dennis Palmer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Mayor Dennis Palmer, Dolores Haley, Al Evans, Tom Johnson and Tom Crooks. Councilman Randy Robinson arrived at 7:35 p.m. Also present were Mary DeGon, Clerk/Treasurer; Bob Hooper, Public Works Director and Justin Derosier, Town Marshal.
- III. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** Mike Fuentes and Joseph Honjnacki with Apollo Solutions Group. They did a presentation on the service they could provide for the town for energy saving performances. ASG provides guaranteed outcome resource efficiency solutions that reduce lifecycle costs in buildings and improve social, environmental and financial performance. ASG develops and executes solutions that achieve superior performance, reduce cost, lesson environment impact, improve facility conditions for the workforce and benefit the community.
- IV. **OATH OF OFFICE:** Mayor Palmer swore in Dolores Haley who was appointed to Council Position #2 replacing Jake Dingman.
- V. **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:** Council members reviewed May 18th, 2015 minutes. Tom Johnson made the motion to approve the minutes as written. Al Evans seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**
- VI. **TOWN MARSHAL REPORT:** Justin Derosier gave his department’s report for May 2015. There were eight cases ranging from domestic disputes, traffic hazard, animal problems, illegal burn and communication 911 problems. Whitman County Sheriff’s Office handled three cases in town for domestic dispute, suspended license while driving and a communication 911 problem. Justin is updating the police policy and procedure manual and will be digitizing the update in the process. He asked that the cop car not be moved for traffic control by anybody but him. He is recovering from a knee surgery and is about 75% better.
- VII. **PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:** Bob Hooper reported water meters were read again, the barrels have been planted with flowers and he is keeping busy with lots and lots of mowing and spraying. The big doors were fixed at the shop. Tom Crooks asked Bob to turn the light in the courtyard as it is facing the wrong way.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. POLICE POLICY & PROCEDURE MANUAL UPDATE** – This topic was discussed under Section VI Town Marshal Report.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. REQUEST FOR SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT ON BARTLETT-** Ray Oneal who is building the Versatile Dealership on the corner of Second & Bartlett would like to replace the sidewalk on Bartlett at his expense. They need a few approaches put in for his new business and they would also add new sidewalk. Council consensus was to allow Ray to replace the sidewalk on Bartlett as long as he matches it to the rest of the sidewalks in town. There needs to be curbing on the sidewalk where there is not an approach.
- B. SIX YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN (STIP)** – Council members reviewed last year’s STIP and had no comments or changes. There will be a Public Hearing before the regular council meeting on June15th for the STIP.

X. COUNCIL MEMBER’S BUSINESS:

RANDY – Nothing at this time.

TOM C. – Nothing at this time.

TOM J. – He asked if someone was doing work on the lots we call the “golf course”. He was not at the meeting when Cory Doneen asked permission to take care of spraying out the weeds and grass to plant alfalfa for hay.

AL – Ron Reed’s rental house is not being taken care of and the grass needs mowed. We have an ordinance to take care of properties that are not being mowed. There is too much activity at that location. Al asked if the District Fire Station could be utilized more for community activity. That would have to be brought to the Fire Commissioner’s attention.

DOLORES – She noted the empty house across from her has not been mowed this year. That house is caught up in legal action due to the owner passing away. We have no contact information on that property.

- XI. TREASURER’S REPORT/APPROVAL OF CHECKS:** Council members reviewed the Treasurer’s Report, Check Register and Receipt Register for May 2015. Tom Johnson made the motion to approve paid checks# 24420 - #24439 in the amount of \$6,666.34 for claims and \$5,781.07 for payroll totaling \$12,447.41 from May 19, 2015 through June 1, 2015. Al Evans seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**

- XII. ADJOURNMENT:** Randy Robinson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m. Al Evans seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**

DENNIS PALMER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Mary DeGon, Clerk/Treasurer