

Town of Oakesdale
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
For
June 15, 2015

**** PUBLIC HEARING FOR SIX YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (STIP) – Mayor Dennis Palmer opened the Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. before the regular council meeting. Mary discussed the changes to the STIP from the last meeting. We have a better chance of getting our reconstruction of street and sidewalk funded by TIB if we change the drop off and loading zone at the school. Move that to the north side of the school in front of the elementary and make it a one way street. Being no comments from the public, Mayor Palmer closed the Public Hearing at 7:04 p.m.**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Dennis Palmer called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. following the Public Hearing.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Mayor Dennis Palmer, Dolores Haley, Al Evans, Tom Johnson, Tom Crooks and Randy Robinson. Also present were Mary DeGon, Clerk/Treasurer and Stephen Bishop, Town Attorney.
- III. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** Kristie Kirkpatrick with Whitman County Library

Kristie gave council members a report on our library that showed over 2,468 items were borrowed from the Oakesdale Library. She reminded council members all the services the library can provide and informed them about the new programs coming to Whitman County. She asked council members to look at the bathroom in the library as it could use some updating. It would be nice to have a wall in the back area of the library to conceal the furnace oil tank. The windows need washing inside and out. They will be doing some strategic planning for the next five years and asked council members to complete a short questionnaire that provided an envelope for it to be returned to the library.
- IV. **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:** Council members reviewed June 1, 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.**
- V. **OLD BUSINESS:**
 - A. **POLICE POLICY & PROCEDURE MANUAL UPDATE** – Justin Derosier should have the manual updated by the next council meeting.

- B. SIX YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN (STIP)** – Dolores Haley asked how the STIP is used and explain what projects are on the list. Council members had no changes to add to the STIP.

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. REQUEST FROM CP&P VERSATILE** – Ray Oneal wanted to know if council would consider abandoning the north part of Second Street that is mowed by the outdoor recycling center so he could purchase the property to place some equipment on it. Council consensus was not to abandon the street. Ray can place equipment on the grassy area until the city should need it.
- B. RESOLUTION NO. 2015-351** – Randy Robinson made the motion to dispense with the reading of Resolution No. 2015-351 revising the STIP. Tom Johnson seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed**. Randy Robinson made the motion to adopt Resolution No. 2015-351 for the Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) for 2016-2021. Tom Johnson seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed**.
- C. REQUEST FOR SIGN** – Kevin Zaballe is a grandson to Mr. Murphy who owned the garage in town which we now call the Willow’s. He noticed the signs were taken down and he would love to have one of them. There are two signs in the Willow’s garage area. Council members deemed there was no value to the old sign and being it represented a sentimental value to Kevin, he could have one of the signs.

VII. COUNCIL MEMBER’S BUSINESS:

DOLORES – She was pleased to see the asphalt work getting done on Steptoe Street.

AL – It’s that time of year again when Al brings up the need for a generator to run one of the wells when the town loses power for a significant period. Stephen Bishop asked council to think about getting a generator that could be ran off a PTO by using a tractor to bring the costs down considerably. Al received an anonymous complaint of high school kids going to the Ron Reed residence where drugs have been an issue in the past. This will be referred to our Town Marshal.

TOM J. – He noticed the grass is not being mowed along the creek behind the residences on McCoy between Pearl and 7th Streets.

TOM C. – Nothing at this time.

RANDY – The flatbed at the park has been parked there for over a week and it needs to be moved. The Town Marshal gave the new residents to our community a week to get the flatbed moved. Randy will probably be riding in the Old Mills Day parade with his classmates, however, council members should be in the parade. Al volunteered his old truck for council members to use. Mary will register them for the parade.

- VIII. TREASURER'S REPORT:** Council members reviewed the Treasurer's Report for June 2015. Tom Johnson made the motion to approve paid checks #24440 - #24454 in the amount of \$1,265.73 for claims and \$7,462.34 for payroll totaling \$8,728.07 from June 4, 2015 through June 15, 2015. Randy Robinson seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**
- IX. ADIJOURNMENT:** Al Evans made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m. Randy Robinson seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**

DENNIS PALMER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Mary DeGon, Clerk/Treasurer