

Town of Oakesdale
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
For
April 18, 2016

- 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, Al Evans and Dolores Haley. Also present was Mary DeGon, Clerk/Treasurer.
- III. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** None
- IV. **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:** Council members reviewed April 4, 2016 minutes. Tom Johnson made the motion to approve the minutes as written. Tom Crooks seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**
- V. **OLD BUSINESS:**
- A. **UP RAILROAD AGREEMENT** – Stephen Bishop has a request into the railroad asking if the Town can just remove the top decking of the old bridge and not the pilings.
- B. **POLICE POLICY MANUAL** – No updates
- C. **GENERATOR FOR WELL** – We are waiting for a quote from Dorsh & Kahl who was recommended to us by our pump specialist. More than likely we will need to go to bid for the generator.
- D. **AWC RMSA GRANT** – No updates
- VII. **NEW BUSINESS:**
- A. **WATER LEAK PETITION** – Darin & Sara Berngten petitioned council for an adjustment to be made to their water bill due to an undetected water leak that happened over the winter months the meters were not being read. The leak was found and fixed. They had a water overage of \$93.00 plus taxes bringing it to a total of \$99.32. Randy Robinson made the motion to approve the water petition for Darin & Sara Berntgen in the amount of \$99.32 due to a water leak. Tom Crooks seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**
- B. **TOWN MARSHAL RESIGNATION** – Council members received a copy of Justin Derosier’s resignation as Oakesdale’s Town Marshal effective April 27, 2016. Justin has made a move in his career to accept a Deputy Sheriff position with Cowlitz County Sheriff’s Office. Al Evans did some research at MRSC about having a Code

Enforcement Officer assist Keith Cooper when it comes to Town Code violations. Council discussed the possibilities and tabled the discussion until they could talk to Keith at the next council meeting.

VIII. COUNCIL MEMBER'S BUSINESS:

RANDY – Nothing at this time.

TOM C. – It was nice to see the abandoned car that was left by his office has been towed away. Thanks!

TOM J. – Nothing at this time.

AL – He has noticed more speeding through town on HWY 27. Traffic is even rolling through the stop signs. Maybe we should consider setting up speed cameras? It was mentioned that Rosaila has solar powered speed limit signs in their school zone that warns traffic of their speeds. We can check with them where they purchased the signs.

DOLORES – Nothing at this time.

VIII. TREASURER'S REPORT/APPROVAL OF CHECKS: Council members reviewed the Treasurer's Report for April 2016. Tom Johnson made the motion to approve paid checks #24835 - #24853 in the amount of \$4,860.92 for claims and \$7,331.92 for payroll totaling \$12,191.97 from April 7, 2016 through April 15, 2016. Randy Robinson seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**

IX. ADJOURNMENT: Randy Robinson made the motion to adjourn the council meeting at 7:25 p.m. Al Evans seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**

DENNIS PALMER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Mary DeGon, Clerk/Treasurer