

Town of Oakesdale
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
For
August 1, 2016

- 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, Tom Crooks and Randy Robinson. Also present were Stephen Bishop, Town Attorney; Mary DeGon, Clerk/Treasurer; Bob Hooper, Public Works Director and Keith Cooper, Town Marshal.
- III. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** None
- IV. **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:** Council members reviewed July 18, 2016 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. **TOWN MARSHAL REPORT:** Keith Cooper gave council members his department’s report for June and July 2016. There were three cases in June consisting of a warrant for arrest, welfare check and message delivery. July had ten cases consisting of fireworks, juvenile problem, noise complaint, civil problem, harassment, burglary, suspicious and threatening. All the new surveillance cameras have been installed and are in working order.
- VI. **PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:** Bob Hooper reported the electrical box with the transfer switch was installed at the generator at the lift station. We are waiting for a bid to convert the generator to propane. A water leak on Third Street ended up being a previous patch was leaking. Water meters were read this month and the yard waste was hauled away using two county boxes. The new water service line to Mickey Graham at 605 N First was installed last week.
- VII. **OLD BUSINESS:**
 - A. **UP RAILROAD AGREEMENT** – Stephen Bishop reported that the railroad’s Senior Insurance Officer is communicating with AWC RMSA regarding the requirements of liability insurance coverage.
 - B. **POLICE POLICY MANUAL** – No updates
 - C. **GENERATOR FOR WELL** – We advertised the bid for the generator for two weeks in the Gazette. The sealed bids are due by this Friday, August 5th by 4:00 p.m. at City Hall.
 - D. **LIBRARY FLOORING** – The carpet was installed last Friday and the bathroom flooring was installed today. Sherwin-Williams needed to rent a machine called “the

terminator” to remove the old carpet in the library. We will be getting an additional invoice for the rental of the machine.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. SPECIAL MEETING NEEDED ON 08/08/16** – Mary looked at the August calendar wrong and thought the first council meeting of the month was August 8th when the bid for the generator was placed. A special meeting is needed for August 8th to open the sealed bids on the generator since the first council meeting was August 1st. Mary will email reminders to council members about the special meeting. Councilman Randy Robinson can not attend.
- B. TD&H UPDATE ON 2017 PROJECT** – Steve Marsh emailed council three options in regards to the arborist’s recommendation to save the trees at the school. Option #1 keeps the location of each leg of Pearl and Second Streets intersections in their current locations. Option #2 keeps the uphill stretch of Pearl in front of the school as straight as possible for the school buses. Option #3 aligns the centerline of Pearl so that each leg of the intersections are the same on the east and west side of Second Street. Council members discussed all three options and went with Steve’s recommendation of Option #1.

IX. COUNCIL MEMBER’S BUSINESS:

RANDY – He wanted to know why we don’t put pressure on the railroad to make them remove their own bridge. Stephen explained it would stall out in litigation and we probably would not win the case.

TOM C. – He noticed many of the fire hydrants have been painted yellow. The firemen painted the hydrants last Monday during their training meeting. Tom commented how nice the fire hydrants looked.

TOM J. – None

AL – He had a concerned citizen ask about the status of the property next to hers on McCoy Street. The property is going thru foreclosure and it will take time until the financial institute takes ownership of the property and gets it cleaned up.

DOLORES – None

- X. TREASURER’S REPORT/APPROVAL OF CHECKS:** Council members reviewed the Treasurer’s Report, Receipt Register and Check Register for July 2016. Al Evans made the motion to approve paid checks #24969 - #24984 in the amount of \$5,913.18 for claims and \$7,613.32 for payroll totaling \$13,526.50 from July 20, 2016 through July 29, 2016. Tom Johnson seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**

- XI. ADJOURNMENT:** Al Evans made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Dolores Haley seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**

DENNIS PALMER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Mary DeGon, Clerk/Treasurer