

Town of Oakesdale
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
For
January 22, 2019

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Dennis Palmer called the council 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 was Mary DeGon, Clerk/Treasurer.
- III. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** None
- IV. **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:** Council members reviewed January 7, 2019 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:** None
- VI. **NEW BUSINESS:**
- A. **SEWEDA MAJOR PROJECTS** – Council members reviewed an update from the SE Washington Economic Development Association outlining the major projects that were completed in 2018. SEWEDA promotes our region to outside businesses as a place to locate with our county team members. We continue to show our support to SEWEDA each year with our partner support dues.
- B. **SMALL WATER SYSTEM MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE** – Mary gave council members a timeline on where we are at in getting our SWSMP approved by Department of Health. Our plan was completed by TD&H Engineering and submitted to DOH in February 2018. We received comments from DOH in May 2018 requesting more information for parts of the plan and some clarifications. TD&H Engineering had until November 2018 to make those corrections. They have re-submitted the SWSMP to DOH and we are still awaiting approval. We have one outstanding invoice from TD&H Engineering that was submitted to DOH on April 2, 2018 in the amount of \$1,000. Department of Health will not pay the final invoice until the SWSMP is approved.
- C. **2018 BUDGET RESULTS** – Council members received 2018 Year-to-Date totals of the budget. Mary reviewed the budget results with council members:
- Fund 001 Current Expense – Budgeted \$130,123.60 Expenditures \$129,295.82 = an excess of \$827.78
 - Fund 101 Streets – Budgeted \$165,288.91 Expenditures \$162,321.97 = an excess of \$2,966.94

- Fund 401 Water/Sewer – Budgeted \$195,464.20 Expenditures \$195,464.20 = an excess of \$8,276.55

VII. COUNCIL MEMBER’S BUSINESS:

DOLORES – She met new comers Thomas & Lyndsey Reid. They purchased the home from Mitzi Estrada.

AL – None

TOM J. – None

TOM C. – He asked about the safety gear for access point to the grinders at the Treatment Facility. We will ask our Certified Sewer Operator, Steve Bremer, for his opinion.

RANDY – He has noticed when you drive around Oakesdale there are at least 3 to 4 properties that have a lot of “junk” piled up all over the properties. They are becoming a real “eye sore”. A suggestion was made to consider renting a construction size dumpster to help citizens clean up their properties. Council members listed pros and cons of using a dumpster. Council members will consider this an option in the spring.

VIII. TREASURER’S REPORT/APPROVAL OF CHECKS: Council members reviewed the Treasurer’s Report for January 2019. Al Evans made the motion to approve paid checks #26266 - #26271, #26281 - #26284 in the amount of \$4,953.11 for claims and \$0 for payroll totaling \$4,953.11 for December 31, 2018; EFT to WA State Department of Revenue for \$537.18 for claims on December 31, 2018 AND approved paid checks #26272 - #26280 in the amount of \$27,027.19 for claims and \$3,583.20 for payroll totaling 30,610.39 from January 10, 2019 through January 15, 2019. Tom Johnson seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**

IX. ADJOURNMENT: Tom Crooks made the motion to adjourn the council meeting at 7:28 p.m. Dolores Haley seconded the motion, all council members voted yes – **motion passed.**

DENNIS PALMER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Mary DeGon, Clerk/Treasurer