

**Town of Garfield
TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FINAL
Town Hall – June 14, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Ray McCown called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Ray McCown, Dave Ulrick, Neal Leon, and David Jones present. Staff: Clerk/Treasurer Candi Fisher, Public Works Reuel Klempel. Absent: Mark Phillips, Mark Young.

GUESTS: Eric and Lisa Hasenoehrl and Officer Jerry Neumann were present.

Lisa and Eric of Keltic Engineering, LLC attended DOE meeting in Spokane as well as Stephen Bishop, Eric, Cody, Candi, Reoul, Mayor McCown, Dave Ulrick, along with several people from DOE and River Watchers who were represented by attorneys and student attorneys. Eric stated it was a very positive meeting with good collaboration among agencies. Eric from Keltic would like to come up and meet with Reoul to look into alternatives for the WWTP. We received an email from Cynthia Wall from DOE about the IACC Conference in Wenatchee. This is an opportunity to sit down, talk through alternatives for funding the **WWTP** and see what is available. She asked that a team from the Town attend as well as Eric and Lisa Hasenoehrl.

Eric stated the WWTP permit renewal is coming up and we must be concerned about lessening the violations so that nothing will hold up a new Wastewater Permit.

6-Year Transportation Plan – Keltic prepared the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan with little change from last year. Eric of Keltic Engineering passed out handouts outlining the State's listing of all projects and a map of Garfield showing projects, with details. It is a requirement for Council to review and add or delete any projects they deem necessary, or change priority rank. If no changes are made, the public hearing can then be held on June 28, 2017. The Mayor brought up that we should drop the streets with projects currently ongoing. The top two streets include:

- 1) Second Street Hill reconstruction (Union to Parker)
- 2) Third Street Safe Routes to school (Union to Parker)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: David Jones **MOVED** to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting May 24, 2017. Dave Ulrick seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Police Chief Jerry Neumann was present for this meeting.

Civil calls – employee/employer type – no report

Junk Cars – there have been a couple of junk cars around town with one being towed.

He reported on an unattended death with ongoing investigation.

Dept. of Corrections has been helping with keeping the peace at the trailer court.

Compost: There have been a few problems at the compost area with people who are unauthorized to drop off compost and putting compost in the wrong areas. No action was taken.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Reuel Klempel present for the Public Works Department

Water – Dug up hydrant on 8th and main, ordered parts. Put new power pole in at WWTP. Generator ran, but there was no alarm.

Sewer – Mayor suggested that the green truck needs a new generator. A discussion about cost and use followed with no decisions made at this time.

Streets – Public Works needs to cut out potholes to get ready for paving.

Garbage – Mayor called for recycling pickup. Mayor suggested selling permits for the use of the recycle yard.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Resolution # 2017-05** - Declaring surplus vehicles – Dave Ulrick **moved** and Damon Marple seconded to declare as surplus the following items:
 - a. 2000 Crown Victoria Sedan – Minimum bid \$400
 - b. 1974 Int Dump Truck – Minimum bid \$1,500
 - c. 1998 John Deere Gator – Minimum bid \$1,000
 Passed Unanimously.
2. Mayor McCown brought up the idea again, of having a committee to look into the employee handbook. Dave Ulrick thought it might be better to be accomplished by the Council. Of concern is employee evaluations and if the handbook actually pertains to the Town of Garfield.
3. Restaurant – Council asked that the clerk/treasurer get an appraisal so that we know what it is worth. Then put it up for surplus.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Resolution 2017-06** – Setting the salaries of certain public officials. Damon Marple **moved** and Neal Leon seconded. Passed unanimously.
2. David Jones **moved** and Dave Ulrick seconded that Candi may act as **financial officer** signing checks and other financial papers and to serve as the Town's liason to the State Bank of Garfield. Unanimous
3. Gravel from Palouse River rock – Mayor would like to have another load hauled. Dave Ulrick said we need to find the **least expensive rock** to purchase.
4. **Spokane Street** – Mayor McCown stated we need to take the backhoe and peel off the chips where the potholes were created and replace with gravel.
5. **Dust oil** – Dave Ulrick said it needed to be done in May. Mayor thought it needs to be done right away. Damon moved that we put out bids for dust, David Jones seconded, passed unanimously. Mark can call and get two bids.

FINANCIAL:

Approval of Checks: Damon Marple **MOVED** to approve the following bills presented to council for payment. Dave Ulrick seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Check Register ##12758-12763
 Check Register #12750-12751
 Check Register #1272-12757

Payroll: \$13,789.54
 Claims: \$22,405.20
Claims: \$ 1,306.51
 Total: \$32,427.83

ADJOURNMENT: David Jones **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM. Damon Marple seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Ray McCown, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Candi Fisher, Clerk/Treasurer