

**Town of Garfield
TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
March 27th, 2019 - 7:00 PM
Town Hall
405 W. California**

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING FOLLOWING:

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Pfaff called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Pfaff, Cande Hasenoehrl, Neal Leon, David Ulrick, Mark Young.
STAFF: Shon Clark – Public Works, Nancy Whitesell – Clerk/Treasurer.
Officer Anderson, Chief Neumann

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Lisa Hasenoehrl, Rick Wride, Galen Gorence

Lisa Hasenoehrl from Keltic Engineering gave an update on railway crossing project. Preliminary engineering design is complete and will be submitted by April 8th. A completed NEPA document was presented and Lisa asked that all council sign off on it. Mark Young **MOVED** to sign the document. Neal Leon seconded, and the motion passed. All of council signed document. Eric Hasenoehrl is working with Chad Roberts and Keith Martin, WSDOT, to finish up the cost estimate. Once submitted it will be under review until April 30th, along with an additional 6 weeks in review. Advertising should start around June. Lisa is hoping there will be less traffic in these areas since school will be out.

Galen Gorence wanted to thank Public Works for fixing a storm drain in the alley. The water that was coming out of the storm drain has stopped. Shon Clark stated that currently it has a temporary fix, but it will be fixed permanently.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: March 13th Regular Council Meeting

Cande Hasenoehrl **MOVED** to approve the March 13th minutes with a correction that removes the line "Cande Hasenoehrl suggested we use someone like Remax". David Ulrick seconded, and the motion and correction passed unanimously

POLICE REPORT: Chief Neumann to report: All is well in Garfield. Had a busy weekend with 4 civil trespasses. There was also an assault/theft. The location of all of these occurred in the areas in town that the town continually has issues.

A new officer has been hired. He is from Alaska and has family in the area. His name is Leighton Cox, and he says he wants to commit to the PPD, and hopefully is in for the long haul. City of Palouse was able to assist with a small stipend to help him move to Garfield.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Shon Clark to report: There have not been any problems recently with the water system, and Public Works should start reading meters in April. Sewer has been experiencing high run off flows, although the preliminary numbers for January and February do show significant reduction in daily averages and total monthly flow. They have

the flow meters in the manholes getting data on the flows. Because there has been a significant amount of rags, cleaning wipes and baby wipes, the accuracy of the data is drastically affected. Garbage has been getting picked up on time. Shon asked for a date for the Spring clean-up. He said the county landfill is doing Spring clean-up April 19th – 27th. Shon suggests that the Town go with April 23rd, which is a Tuesday. Last year was also on a Tuesday and it seemed to work well. There haven't been any draining issues at the park, and 4 picnic tables were completely rebuilt with new wood and new finish. Shon will hopefully fix the street sweeper and will be out next week cleaning the streets. It needs a new air tank, as the old one is corroded and leaking. Shon asked if they could close the alley between 4th and 5th street on Adams St, so there is no driving on it. Someone had driven on it and tore the road up. Mayor Pfaff told Shon to get a sign that says do not enter. Shon also stated he would do what he could to grade the road back out. Public Works is requesting to purchase a new sewer camera, that will extend out further than the one we share with Rosalia. This camera will also record what is happening which will better assist them in finding issues that are occurring. The cost of the camera is \$3995.00, and it will be reimbursed by DOE. Neal Leon **MOVED** to go ahead and purchase the camera. Mark Young seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Cande Hasenoehrl **MOVED** to pass Resolution 2019-03 amending rate increase for residential dumpsters to \$65.00 beginning on the April 2019 bill. David Ulrick seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Cande Hasenoehrl asked if there were any updates on the Solar Project. Mayor Pfaff stated we will know more on April 20th, need to know if they received the grant money. She also asked if there was any time frame set for Sean Neal's ramp. Mayor Pfaff stated that there was not, and that Warren Neal said when the weather gets better, he will fix it. Cande also asked Mayor Pfaff if the contract for the daycare has been written. He stated he was still working on it. Rick Wride asked about caring for the grass and cleaning the restrooms. Mayor Pfaff stated this would be done by the daycare.

NEW BUSINESS:

FINANCIAL:

Approval of bills to be paid – Neal Leon **MOVED** to approve the payment of the bills. Cande Hasenoehrl seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN: Cande Hasenoehrl **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 pm. Mark Young seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.



Mayor Pfaff

Attest:



Clerk/treasurer