

Town of Garfield
TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
May 22nd, 2019 - 7:00 PM
Town Hall
405 W California

Public Hearing: Mayor Pfaff called the hearing to order 7:00 pm. Stephen Nelson with Century West Engineer brought information, as well as discussed, a Community Development Program that may be available to the Town of Garfield. The grant has a maximum of \$750,00 and he intends on getting the application for the grant completed and submitted prior to June 5th. The grant would be used to help reduce the I&I issue at the sewer plant significantly. Mayor Pfaff adjourned the hearing at 7:03 pm.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Pfaff called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

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

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Stephen Nelson continued discussion about the I&I situation at the sewer plant. He stated that the spring hasn't been the greatest for them to determine where the key issues are taking place. Shon Clark asked if there was a camera that would give a side view because currently, they can see where the water is coming from, but they cannot determine why. Stephen Nelson stated that he believes a big contributor are the sump pumps in town that are plumbed into the sewer, which are not supposed to be. He also said that if they find locations and it is in fact a sump pump putting the water in, they can determine that without a side service camera.

Eric and Lisa Hasenoehrl from Keltic Engineering gave an update on the federal grant for the 2nd and 3rd street railroad project. There is a 112 lb. rail in the roadway that needs to be changed out. The improvement plans include concrete precast panels. Lisa Hasenoehrl asked the Council to approve advertisement dates and to sign the agreement between them and the Town. David Ulrick **MOVED** to approve the signing the agreement. Mark Young seconded, and the motion passed. Cande Hasenoehrl **MOVED** to approve the advertisement dates. Neal Leon seconded, and the motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: May 8th, 2019 Regular Council Meeting. Cande Hasenoehrl **MOVED** to approve the minutes. Neal Leon seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

POLICE REPORT: Officer Anderson to report: A complaint about a junk vehicle on California St and 1st St has been resolved. There have been issues with dogs defecating near California St and 2nd St. Officer Anderson has spoken to all parties. Cande Hasenoehrl informed Officer Anderson that it was still happening. There was a

suspicious car called in at the cemetery. The female in the car stated she was there for a good cry. Officer Cox told her to leave. 1.5 hours later, an emergency call came in that the same female was suicidal. Police were unable to locate, and the RP stated that they would call in as soon as she got home. The police never got a call back. Officer Anderson attended a Library Nerf game at the park earlier in the day. On May day he walked around talking to people and handing out suckers. He went on to discuss the situation of people reporting illegal behavior that is not witnessed by the police themselves. He referred to a situation where a resident that did not have a license was driving around in Garfield and other areas. The time, place and a description of vehicle and the situation are very helpful to them; However, if the complainant is unwilling to sign a written statement, because "they want to be anonymous", and there isn't any pictures or video, they are very limited to what they can do.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Shon Clark to report: All meters were read, and Public Works has repaired 2 water leaks. All the spraying has been done by Larry Hunt. Shon Clark repaired a toilet at the community center. The Town has already filled 2 compost bins, and they are waiting on another one to arrive. The delay in getting them filled was because the rain was leaving it too muddy to get equipment in there. Sewer Plant is now on a liquid disinfection, but a UV disinfection system was purchased for \$1.00 from the City of Kittitas. Once installed the Sewer Plant will keep some of the liquid on site incase of a UV failure, but overall the savings by switching over could save up to \$5-6000 a year on chlorine. They were also able to do some of the sewer jetting. Dye was placed in a ditch as part of the I&I study to try and determine if some of the water that the plant is taking on was coming from there. Shon Clark was able to sweep some of the streets in town.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS: The Town has been awarded a \$150 thousand-dollar grant. 50% of this grant funds and 50% will be a loan from the Department of Ecology. Resolution 2019-05 was put forth to accept the loan. Mayor Pfaff asked if any members had issues with the loan. Mark Young **MOVED** to pass Resolution 2019-05. David Ulrick seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL: Cande Hasenoehrl **MOVED** to approve the checks. Mark Young seconded, and the motion passed.

ADJOURN: Cande Hasenoehrl **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting. Dave Ulrick seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm



Jarrod Pfaff – Mayor

ATTEST:



Nancy Whitesell – Clerk/Treasurer