

**Town of Garfield
TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FINAL
Town Hall – October 11, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Ray McCown call to order 7 pm.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Ray McCown, Dave Ulrick, Neal Leon, Daymon Marple, Mark Young and David Jones present. Staff: Susan Nelson, Public Works Reuel Klempel and Mark Phillips, and Chief Jerry Neumann.

GUESTS: Visitors were Stephen Nelson of CenturyWest, Chris McCully, Jarrod Pfaff, Peggy Ray and Rebecca Jones.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Damon Marple **MOVED** to approve the minutes. Dave Ulrick seconded and motion carried unanimously.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief Jerry Neumann was present for the meeting,

- 1) Individual struck and killed 4 mi NE of Garfield on Hwy 27 was identified. Had a criminal history, possibly on DOC work release. Waiting for toxicology report from Coroner to determine if any substances in system. Driver of vehicle indicated that the individual may have been in the road intentionally.
- 2) Domestic Assault/Stabbing appears to have been self-defense. Charges are pending. Parties are separated. Offending party is residing in Albion.
- 3) Junk vehicles on 4th and California have been removed.
- 4) Trick or Trunk – Planning a haunted house.
- 5) Mayor thanked Chief Neumann for resolving the fence issue on 3rd and Jefferson.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:

- 1) Clean-up Day Report: Mark Phillips: Eight tons at \$35.00 a ton, a lot of furniture and mattresses. Two loads took one and one-half days to accomplish. Tires and paint not picked up, has to be separated. There is no tire amnesty anymore. Mayor McCown said that since the trash is being taken to Spokane, tires can be included in the regular garbage.
- 2) Mark Phillips: Garfield is the only town collecting its own garbage.
- 3) Mark Phillips: Waste hauler is going to need new tires before the end of the year. Cost is approximately \$1500 for 4 tires. Dave Ulrick stated that they need to look into grants for help with the cost. Stephen Nelson stated that at the IACC Conference there were agencies that may have grants available at a 50/50 split for these.

Water - Reuel stated that Darrell tried to get water, however he believed that he didn't turn on the timer and couldn't get water. There was a complaint that the meter had been left on, the water was turned off but the timer had been left running. Reuel stated that he would educate Darrell on the procedure. Mark Phillips: There are 5 meter boxes that are broken and are to be repaired.

Sewer – There was a 5" long muskrat in the water pump that was removed. There are currently no violations on the EPA (?) permit, all have been corrected and sent to DOH.

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OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) Gun Club Contract – Mark Phillips stated that the contract had two 20-year contracts that ran out in 2016. He believed that there were shorter time periods after they ran out. Jarrod Pfaff stated that there had been no renewals. Due for an update.
- 2) Surplus Equipment – Mayor said that Candi is still waiting on an answer as to if the town needs a fire truck and if it affects the town rating. Chris McCully stated that he asked the State for an answer, will be discussed at the next meeting. Resolution 2017-02 set aside. Rebecca Jones stated that the city should have a fire truck. Was informed by the Mayor that the city has 5 firetrucks, the question is the determination of whether they are City or Rural.
- 3) Fire Truck – Chris stated that he had drained the firetruck and the Mayor instructed him to get with Mark to store the vehicle.
- 4) Daymon Marple brought up the Personnel Manual. Stated that he had made changes to his copy. Questioned Retirement Benefits, I explained that the State determines the amount of employer and employee contributions on PERS. Also had a question on Represented/Non- Represented, I told him that if there was not a union that everyone would be Non-Represented. Represented indicated that the individuals were represented by a union. The Mayor asked him to highlight the areas he changed and give it to Candi so she could copy and distribute to the rest of the members.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Dave Ulrick **MOVED** and Neal Leon seconded that **CenturyWest** be accepted as the Engineering Firm for Sewer Updates and the motion carried unanimously. Stephen Nelson said the City did a great job of meeting requirements to get DOE off of their back. Reuel and Candi are attending IACC Conference in Wenatchee, Oct 24 – 26, Stephen suggested that an elected official accompany them as the people who fund sewer/streets/firetrucks, etc., will be there.
- 2) Speed Limit Signs. Dave Ulrick stated we needed one, at either end of the town. (To indicate driver's speed) Stephen Nelson said that if you tie it to pedestrian safety that we may be able to get a grant for one. The Mayor asked Reuel to call Oakesdale to find out how they got one.

FINANCIAL:

Approval of Checks. Dave Ulrick **MOVED** to approve and Daymon Marple seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Discussion of meeting dates for November and December. Mark Young **MOVED** and Daymon Marple seconded the motion that the meetings for November would be on Nov 8th and 15th, and meetings for December would be on Dec 13th and 20th, motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: Dave Ulrick **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM. Daymon Marple seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Clerk-Treasurer