

**TOWN OF YACOLT, WASHINGTON**  
**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** April 4, 2016

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Carothers

Councilmember(s): Nancy Tester, Dave Hancock, Vince Myers

**ABSENT:** Councilmember(s): Josh Karl, Jason Wallway

**STAFF:** Town Clerk: Cindy Marbut

Public Works Director: Pete Roberts

Town Attorney: David Ridenour

**APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING with corrections**

**MOTION:** Councilmember: Hancock

**SECOND:** Councilmember: Tester

**VOTE:** 3- 0

**YES:** Councilmember(s): Hancock, Tester and Myers

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Karl, Wallway

\*Motion unanimously passed.

**LATE CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

None

**CITIZEN COMMUNICATION**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

**A. J and N Cable Franchise**

David Ridenour, Town Attorney, gave an update on the letter that is being sent out. The draft is complete and final would be mailed by Wednesday

\*Informational Only

B.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Public Hearing Avery Meadows SEPA**

Mayor Carothers closed the council meeting and opened the public hearing, there were no comments from the public. Pete Roberts, Public Works Director, gave information to the council on the mitigation issues that would need to take place. Mayor Carothers closed public hearing and reopened council meeting.

**B. Avery Meadows Approval**

Pete Roberts, Public Works Director, suggested that an overall blanket approval not take place that each home would have mitigation circumstances and each home would need to be approved individually. There was still information that has not yet been received from the developer and engineering firms.

\*Discussion No Action

**C. Council Position # 1 Resignation**

Mayor Carothers read a resignation letter from councilmember Josh Karl expressing his need to resign.

\*Informational Only

**D. Resolution recognizing councilmember Josh Karl**

Mayor Carothers read resolution # 538 aloud to audience and council expressing gratitude for Josh Karl serving as a councilmember.

MOTION: Councilmember: Myers

SECOND: Councilmember: Hancock

VOTE: 3- 0

YES: Councilmember(s): Hancock, Tester and Myers

NO:

ABSENT: Karl, Wallway

\*Motion unanimously passed.

**Mayor Comments:**

Mayor reminded those present that volunteers were still needed for the litter pick up. The streets in town were in good condition it was the streets leading in and out of town that needed attention to keep our town welcoming. Sponsors for flower baskets are still needed. He welcomes any ideas from the public for projects around town that improve the town.

**Attorney Comments**

David Ridenour reported that he is working with the Clerk Treasurer, Cindy Marbut to get the town ordinances transferred to municipal codes and he hoped to have something more solid in their packets at the next meeting for them to view. This project was started in 2015 and will be priority to complete.

**Public Works:**

Pete Roberts reported that meetings with the railroad and their coordinator went well and there is property easement that will be quick deeded to the town, it has no value to the railroad. There is another piece of property that will also be quick deeded to the town by Ball Park that will allow access to Christy St. These are both in the process currently.

**Clerk Treasurer:**

Cindy Marbut reported that the State Auditor has lowered its rates and a small refund will be given to the Town. The invoicing for the audit will be simplified. The town was contacted for a possible Eagle Scout project, Pete Roberts would follow up. The building department process was near completion and should be up and running in 2 weeks, there would be changes to the cash receipting process since it is tied to the new software program but this gives the town better accountability for this department. There has been spring cleanup inquiries.

**WARRANTS**

\*Current Expenses: \$13,702.13

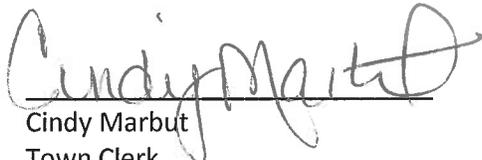
\*City Streets: \$16,710.05

\*Cemetery \$118.65

\*Storm Water \$2,559.11

Pay Bills presented in the amount of \$33,089.44

MOTION: Myers  
SECOND: Tester  
VOTE: 3-0  
YES: Councilmember(s): Myers, Tester and Hancock  
NO:  
ABSENT: Karl, Wallway  
Motion unanimously passed.  
**ADJOURN: 7:35 pm**

  
Cindy Marbut  
Town Clerk

Minutes approved on April 18, 2016

  
Jeff Carothers  
Mayor  
Vince Myers  
Mayor Pro Tem