

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

**DATE:** August 15, 2016

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Carothers

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

**ABSENT:** Councilmember(s): Wallway

**STAFF:** Town Clerk: Cindy Marbut

Public Works Director: Absent

Town Attorney: David Ridenour

**APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**MOTION:** Councilmember: Hancock

**SECOND:** Councilmember: Listek

**VOTE:** 4-0

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

**NO:**

**ABSENT:** Wallway

\*Motion unanimously passed.

**LATE CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

Old Business item D. SEPA Checklist Yacolt Crossings, New Business Item D. Ordinance # 545

**CITIZEN COMMUNICATION**

Joel Becker addressed the council angry about a fire that took place at Carl Johnson's property and stated the town didn't do anything about it, the mayor explained that those issues are dealt with by the fire dept. Mr. Becker then proceeded to speak angrily about a rose bush that was 80 yrs. old which he claimed was outside the easement, that was cut by the Larch crew who were cleaning the over growth along the sidewalks on Railroad Ave; he pointed fingers and called out staff members to be liars. Staff members noted when he came to town hall he was cursing at the staff. He stated he had asked staff members to have the mayor call him. The Mayor tried to defuse the situation by telling him he needed to provide more information. The mayor needed all the facts and he was more than willing to set up a meeting with him. Mr. Becker left angry and making derogatory comments.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Ordinance Repeal Obsolete Ordinances- Discussion**

David Ridenour, town attorney reviewed all of the ordinances that were designated for repeal at the next meeting. There was discussions on several items which included bonding, smoke detection, building code adoption and penalties for crimes. The council directed David to return next meeting with the repeals and simplify ordinances that needed corrections.

\*Discussion Only

### **B. Jeremy and Jordon Bowe- Fireworks Display 2017**

Jeremy was present, Jordon was unable to attend. He presented to the council figures for the cost of doing a 45 minute presentation of fireworks set to music. There was discussion on the type of fireworks and the wholesale outlets used and what discounts could be available to the town. Council asked him to return to the September 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. Clerk Treasurer, Cindy Marbut informed the council that Jack and Tracy Thompson would be attending the next meeting to discuss their proposal for a fireworks display.

\*Discussion Only

### **C. Mobilitie- Collen De Shazer**

Collen De Shazer addressed the council explained her role with the company and also explained the services and infrastructure plans that Mobilitie had planned for rural areas with minimal or no signals for Wi Fi. She explained what the company offers in the form of boosting signal for data and cell service at no cost to the consumer. She provided statistical information for the future of 4 G and 5 G and provided examples of what their poles look like. There was discussion on the template franchise agreement, David Ridenour, town attorney, noted it was a very clean agreement but would like to see what other municipalities agreements look like so that we could compare the needs of Yacolt against others who have already foreseen the needs and made potential changes in the template. Motion was made to continue working through the agreement process with Mobilitie.

MOTION: Councilmember: Tester

SECOND: Councilmember: Listek

VOTE: 4- 0

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

NO:

ABSENT: Wallway

\*Motion unanimously passed

### **D. SEPA Checklist Yacolt Crossing – Byron Jolma**

Byron Jolma, Engineer for Yacolt Crossing addressed the council about the proposed project as a variance request for 22 conditional use homes. He talked about the preliminary pre conference that was scheduled with our Public Works director on Wednesday. Clerk Treasurer, Cindy Marbut noted that a public hearing along with a staff report would be presented at the next meeting.

\*Discussion Only

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **A. Casey Gozart – Vegetation Weed Board**

Casey was not present for discussion

\*Informational Only

#### **B. Joesph Rioux – Feral Cats Issues**

Cindy Marbut, Clerk Treasurer, spoke to the council since she had information regarding the feral cats issue. There was much discussion on the issue of feral cats in the town. Information on costs for traps and how to trap feral cats was provided to council. Many citizens are complaining about the over population and concerns for their private property and children since these cats carry diseases The council authorized the clerk to purchase up to 10 traps to begin the process of removing the cats from town.

MOTION: Councilmember: Tester

SECOND: Councilmember: Myers

VOTE: 4- 0

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

NO:

ABSENT: Wallway

\*Motion unanimously passed

#### **C. Crafters Market- Debra Krup**

Debra and 2 of her fellow crafters were present and discussed using the area by the train station to do an artisan market when the train is running. They were advised that they would all need a business license. Councilmember Myers felt a minimal fee should be charged, the Clerk Treasurer, Cindy Marbut suggested the Peddlers Permit fee which is 5.00 per event which would calculate to 10.00 per tent for 1 day 2 times during each month. They would be starting the first Saturday in October. They showed the council the types of wares they would have for purchase. They would be bringing their spinning wheels also. Council and Mayor were in agreement that it was a great idea.

MOTION: Councilmember: Tester

SECOND: Councilmember: Listek

VOTE: 4- 0

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

NO:

ABSENT: Wallway

\*Motion unanimously passed

#### **D. Ordinance 545 Defer Impact Fee Payments**

Clerk Treasurer, Cindy Marbut, explained that this ordinance was required since the passage of ESB 5925 Legislation. Since the town was now doing its own building dept. it was required that we pass it because it goes into effect on Sept. 1, 2016. Councilmember Myers noted it was well written.

MOTION: Councilmember: Myers

SECOND: Councilmember: Tester

VOTE: 4- 0

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

NO:

ABSENT: Wallway

\*Motion unanimously passed

#### **Mayor Carothers, Comments:**

Mayor expressed his gratitude for the attendance at National Night Out and noted it was a growing event and it seemed like all the citizens had a great time dunking him on the dunk tank and playing tug of war. He mentioned that quite a few of the vendors in attendance would be back next year they really enjoyed the event. He is always looking for ideas to make events and the town better.

#### **Town Attorney, David Ridenour**

None

**Public Works, Pete Roberts Comments:**

Absent

**Clerk Treasurer, Cindy Marbut Comments:**

Cindy talked with the council about the current impact fees for the town. Growth needs to pay for growth and the town has not increased impact fees since 2006. She gave comparisons of other municipalities and made a suggestion on what the town should consider for fees. She was instructed to draft the ordinance and bring it to the next meeting. She provided the council and mayor with the Treasurers Report financial information.

**WARRANTS**

\*Current Expenses:     \$56246.69  
\*City Streets:           \$9094.87

Pay Bills presented in the amount of \$65,341.56

MOTION: Myers

SECOND: Tester

VOTE: 4-0

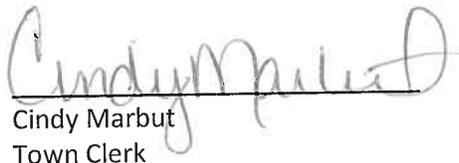
YES: Councilmember(s): Tester, Myers, Listek and Hancock

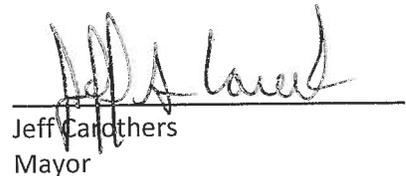
NO:

ABSENT: Wallway

Motion unanimously passed.

**ADJOURN: 8:49 pm**

  
Cindy Marbut  
Town Clerk

  
Jeff Carothers  
Mayor

Minutes approved on September 6, 2016