



Town of Coulee Dam
Green Oasis at the Foot of Grand Coulee Dam

Minutes
1273rd Regular Council Meeting
October 28, 2015

6:00 p.m. Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Wilder called the 1273rd regular meeting of the Coulee Dam Town Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Council members present: Ken Miles, Gayle Swagerty and Duane Johnson. Shawn Derrick attended via Skype. Ben Alling was excused absent.

Staff Present: Clerk/Treasurer Stefani Bowden.

Pledge of Allegiance

Duane Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Input

Grand Coulee Dam Area Chamber of Commerce President, Peggy Nevsimal, presented the 2016 Budget request for Stadium Funds. \$30,000 was awarded in 2015 and they ask that council consider the same for 2016. Ms. Nevsimal understood that funds are down in all towns and would be willing to accept any amount the council sees feasible. All funds awarded to the Chamber of Commerce will be filtered down through to the Ridge Riders and other entities.

Bruce Bartoo asked for permission to start disassembling the handball/basketball court in Cole Park using volunteers. School students would like to use the volunteer hours for Senior Projects. Councilwoman Swagerty agreed that the courts are in bad condition and pose a hazard. Mayor and council advised Mr. Bartoo to get permission from the Parks and Natural Resources Board for the project. Once the Mayor receives the recommendation and okay from the Parks Board, the council will allow the project to begin. Mayor asked Mr. Bartoo to arrange the tracking of work hours with the Clerk.

Agenda updates & modifications

Clerk notified the council and public that a Resolution has been added to Agenda Bill 2015-026 and an additional Action Agenda item of the acceptance of the 2016 Regional Board of Mayors Budget through a Resolution has also been added.

Consent Agenda

Ken Miles moved and Duane Johnson seconded to accept the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

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Vouchers: Claim Vouchers and Checks:

Claim Voucher No.'s 35373 through 35394, and EFT's dated October 28, 2015 in the total amount of \$52,875.59.

Voided Checks: Check No. 35289 in the amount of \$17.28

Quarterly Reports: 3rd Qtr 2015 Financial Report

Action Agenda

A. AB 2015-026, Resolution #2015-009

Duane Johnson moved and Shawn Derrick seconded to adopt Resolution 2015-009, accepting the Wastewater Treatment Preliminary Engineering Report. Motion carried.

B. AB 2015-027, Arbor Day Event Proclamation

Mayor Wilder and Councilmember Swagerty reported on the Arbor Day Event held at the School earlier in the day stating that it was very successful. The purpose of the event was to raise awareness of trees to the kids. A Proclamation was presented by the Mayor at the event. Gayle Swagerty moved and Duane Johnson seconded to ratify the Arbor Day Event Proclamation presented by the Mayor earlier in the day. Motion carried.

C. Regional Board of Mayors (RBOM), Delano Landfill, Resolution #2015-008

Gayle Swagerty moved and Ken Miles seconded to adopt Resolution #2015-008 accepting the RBOM 2016 Delano Landfill Budget. Motion carried.

Discussion Agenda

A. Police Department Security

The town has been advised by the insurance provider that the current security system on the police department is inadequate. Mayor Wilder presented some quotes received from Moon Security in what appeared to be around \$11,000.00. Discussion was held on what funds were available to use for the improvements/upgrade costs. Duane Johnson moved and Gayle Swagerty seconded to move forward with the updates to the security system using the current budget in the amount of \$9000 to \$11000. Motion carried.

B. Time Value Investments (TVI)

Clerk presented information regarding investment options through TVI. The current bond the town purchased earlier in the year seems to be performing well. The town should be receiving another interest payment which is dispersed semi-annually. The

council's consensus was to move forward with investing another \$300,000 in a bond that would mature in 2017. It was left up to the Clerk to decide the best option. Clerk Bowden stated that she will gather the information and work with Councilman Miles on making the final decision.

C. Budget

Councilman Derrick asked if any more information has been obtained regarding potential funding for the streets around Harvest Foods and Casino. Mayor Wilder stated that it has not been researched yet. The town should be hearing back from TIB very soon on the grant applications that were made for the streets around the school.

Staff, Council & Committee Reports

Mayor

The tree trimming on Tilmus Street is nearly completed.

Councilmembers

Duane Johnson was approached by a citizen regarding the safety of the burned house on Tilmus. The Code Enforcement Officer is currently working with the tribe for a solution.

Gayle Swagerty reported on the Parks and Natural Resources Board meeting held earlier in the day. Progress is being made on the strategic plan with help from Grant County Health District. The Tree Inventory had been completed. 680 trees were inventoried and an estimated 250 to 300 are left to be done at \$5.50 per tree. The grant will only pay for the 680. Ms. Swagerty asked the council to consider funding the remaining trees. The health of the sycamore trees will be followed up on.

Clerk

The Preliminary Budget Hearing is scheduled for the November 12th Council Meeting.

Executive Session

None

Public Input

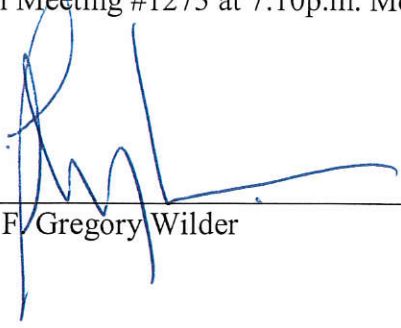
Keith St.Jeor asked about the status of the recycling bin. The Regional Board of Mayors will be making the purchase of the bin but all the towns belonging to RBOM have to agree with it before the purchase can be made.

Bonnie Femling asked if the garbage bin in front of the Fire Department is being used and is the department being charged. There is also a brush guard by the Fire Station. Whose is it and where did it come from? Why can't all of the fireman get into the station since the change in door locks? Mayor Wilder stated that the chief should have supplied all members of the department with new keys.

Carol Netzel asked about the purchase of the new multi-use truck for the Public Works. The truck is included in the 2016 Budget. She asked what happens if we have a blizzard tomorrow? Mayor stated that it wouldn't make any difference. We simply cannot purchase it that soon. The public works does currently have equipment that can be used.

Adjournment

Councilmember Ken Miles motioned with Councilmember Duane Johnson seconding to adjourn Council Meeting #1273 at 7:10p.m. Motion carried.

Mayor 
F. Gregory Wilder

Clerk 
Stefani Bowden