

Village of Thurston
Council Meeting Minutes
April 11, 2012

Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm by Mayor Mary Boring. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call: Robert Ortman – present
JoAnn Hite – present
Rita Leiendecker - present
Jimmy Barber, Jr. – present
Garry Boring – present
Lowell Hite – present
Mary Boring – present
Aaron Reedy – present

Mary asked if any visitors wished to speak. None did.

Steve Carpenter of 8140 Elm St. #25 also added comments about the cat problem within the Village.

Garry made a motion to approve the March 2012 meeting minutes. Rita second. Roll call vote: all YES.
Motion carried.

Robert made a motion to approve the March 30, 2012 special meeting minutes. Jimmy second. Roll call vote:
all YES, with JoAnn voting no. Motion carried.

Jimmy made a motion to waive Council pay for the March 30, 2012 meeting. Garry second. Roll call vote: all
YES with Lowell and JoAnn voting NO. Motion carried.

Rita made a motion to approve the March 2012 financial statement. Garry second. Roll call vote: all YES.
Motion carried.

Jimmy made a motion to waive the 3-reading rule and declare an emergency for Ordinance 2012-9, An
Ordinance to Create Accounting Codes for the Thurston Well Field & Water Treatment Plant Project Planning
Phase, to Amend the 2012 Appropriations Ordinance, and the declaration of an emergency. Robert second.
Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Garry made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2012-9, An Ordinance to Create Accounting Codes for the Thurston
Well Field & Water Treatment Plant Project Planning Phase, to Amend the 2012 Appropriations Ordinance, and
the declaration of an emergency. Jimmy second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Business from Fire Chief – Jim Hite was not present, but left his report for review.

Business from the Safety Committee – No business to submit.

Business from the Service Committee – Garry made a motion to accept a bid from Secure-Tel for \$658 to
upgrade the security camera DVR, add two cameras to cover the front and rear of the building, and for
installation. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Business from the Finance Committee – Didn't meet.

Business from the Rules Committee – Didn't meet.

Business from the Regional Planning Representative – Robert said there was nothing that affected the Village.

Old Business –

Aaron said he sent a certified letter to the owner of the property on High St. about the cat nuisance. Aaron received a call from the property owner who said he was sorry for the problem. He's been out of town helping to take care of a friend but hopes to be back in the Village soon. He said he's got about 60% of the problem taken care of now. Jimmy said he's seen 6 cats over there just the other day. Mary and Aaron said they still see cats around the property and the Post Office all the time.

Mary said the drilling company tried drilling a second well, and hit water, but just not enough gallons per minute to fit what the Village needs. We're looking for other properties to consider.

Mary said the water meter part of the Neighborhood Revitalization Grant starts May 1st. The contractors and John Cleek are having a meeting here at the Municipal Building on April 16th at 9am regarding the other parts of the grant projects.

New Business –

Aaron said the Records Committee needs to meet in May. Records Committee will meet on May 9th at 6:30p.m. Aaron will post the signs.

Aaron announced that 2013 budgets must be in to him or the Mayor by May 15, 2012. If not received, he will use the same numbers as 2012.

Aaron shared several water account adjustments that needed to be made due to the meter reading doing a poor job, and even mis-reading the meters altogether. Aaron said there are always problems each month, but this has been the worst yet.

Jimmy made a motion to allow for adjustment on Account 16. Garry second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Jimmy made a motion to allow for adjustment on Account 159. Garry second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Jimmy made a motion to allow for adjustment on Account 285. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Aaron shared a situation with Council about account #105 who had a water leak, and never informed the Village or anyone else about it. We thought he had a bad reading since it showed he used tens of thousands of gallons. The owner told us about it 3 weeks later. Lowell made a motion to only charge the property owner the minimum bill, in spite of the leak. We will also inform him that any leaks in the future must be reported to the office appropriately. JoAnn second. Roll call vote: all YES, with Garry and Jimmy abstaining. Motion carried.

Jimmy made a motion to accept the proposal from Sam's Pest Control for mosquito spraying in the Village for \$150 per spray. He is to spray once per month, and upon demand of Council. Garry second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Gary said we need to send a letter to Dale Klamfoth about the exposed water line on his property. We need to inform him that his field tile is broke and that's why the area is washed out. He needs to make sure no tile is laying on top of our water line. He needs to make sure it's done as soon as possible so our water line doesn't freeze and break from being exposed.

JoAnn made a motion to adjourn at 7:41 pm. Rita seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Respectfully prepared by,

Aaron Reedy