

Village of Thurston
Council Meeting Minutes
April 9, 2014

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Mary Boring.

Roll call: Robert Ortman – present JoAnn Hite – present Jimmy Barber, Jr. – absent
Garry Boring – present Lowell Hite – present Dave Carpenter – present
Mary Boring, Mayor – present Aaron Reedy, Clerk-Treasurer – present

Mary asked if any visitors wished to speak. Tammy Prather of 8125 Long St. was present and wished to discuss the issue with the water usage that has been happening over the last several years without being paid for. This was being fed from a meter at 8115 Long St. to the garage/house on 8104 Elm St. She said the trailer at 8115 Long St. was taken down in 2003 or 2004. She said that Lowell Hite said they would not be taking the tap out because the house wasn't down. She explained her late husband left her in bad financial situation. She doesn't have the money to pay the past due water amount. She feels she is going to lose her house. Council discussed the situation with her. Council feels the water was used over the years, and the Village paid for it from Baltimore. It must be recouped from the user. This issue was discussed for about 30 minutes. Tammy said she would talk to her attorney and get back with us.

Garry made a motion to approve the March 2014 meeting minutes. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Robdert made a motion to approve the March 2014 financial statement. David second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Second Reading of Ordinance 2014-3, An Ordinance to adopt "Cemetery Rules and Regulations".

Second Reading of Ordinance 2014-5, An Ordinance repealing Ordinance 2006-11, abolishing the position of Village Administrator.

Garry made a motion to waive the 3-reading rule and declare an emergency for Ordinance 2014-8, An Ordinance Establishing a Monthly Water Debt Service Fee and the declaration of an emergency. David second. Roll Call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Robert made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2014-8, An Ordinance Establishing a Monthly Water Debt Service Fee and the declaration of an emergency. David second. Roll Call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Business from Fire Chief – Chief Jim Hite and Asst. Chief Jamie Carroll were present. Chief Hite presented the report. Jim asked if Aaron would help a firefighter with a Regional Income Tax issue. He said he'd try.

Business from the Safety Committee – Garry said Jamie Carroll filled potholes again today.

Business from the Service Committee – Garry made a motion to accept the bid from Sam's Pest Control for mosquito spraying - \$150 per spraying – same as last year. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Business from the Finance Committee – Lowell said they met on 4/8/14 and discussed the budget for the Fire Fund and the new debt service fee.

Business from the Regional Planning Representative – Robert said nothing that concerned the Village.

Old Business – Aaron went over the letters sent in the last few weeks in regards to previous council requests.

New Business – Mary said she got a donation from Jeane Mast for \$100 for the water fund. Robert made a motion to accept the donation on behalf of the water fund. Garry second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Lowell said the Thurston United Methodist Church always put gravel in the lot at the church next to the cemetery for people using it when visiting grave sites. He'd like to see us put more down. Council agreed to get a price.

As there was no further business to discuss, JoAnn made a motion to adjourn. Jimmy second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried. Time is 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully prepared by,

Aaron Reedy