

Village of Thurston  
Council Meeting Minutes  
May 9, 2017

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Mary Boring. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call: Robert Ortman – present                      JoAnn Hite – present                      Jimmy Barber JR – absent  
                 Garry Boring – present                      Lowell Hite – present                      Heather Baker - present  
                 Mary Boring, Mayor – present                      Aaron Reedy, Clerk – present

Garry made a motion to approve the April, 2017 meeting minutes. Robert seconded the motion. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Heather made a motion to approve the April 27, 2017 special meeting minutes. Garry seconded the motion. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Robert made a motion to approve the April 2017 financial statement. Garry second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Mary asked for a motion to waive Council pay for the April 27, 2017 special meeting. None were made.

**Business from Fire Chief** - Chief Jim Hite was present and presented his report. No other business was brought up.

**Business from the Safety Committee** – Robert made a motion to immediately put into effect a log to be used to document when the Fire Dept Excursion vehicle was used; to be turned in each month with the Chief’s report. Garry second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Robert made a motion to immediately put into effect a Chief’s Log that will be used to record when the Chief is at the firehouse and when going on runs; to be turned in each month with the Chief’s report. Garry second. Roll Call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

**Business from the Service Committee** –Garry made a motion to buy paint and equipment needed to paint the front metal doors of the municipal building; to be no more than \$400. Robert second. Roll Call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Garry made a motion that a rule should be added to the water/billing guidelines that the office is not to talk to any other person on a utility account except for the account holder. An exception form process can be considered. Robert second. Roll Call vote: Garry & Robert, YES; Heather, Lowell & JoAnn, NO. Motion NOT carried. Further discussion will be held in committee regarding this subject.

**Business from the Finance Committee** – Didn’t meet.

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

**Old Business** – Aaron said that account 18 has not been meeting his agreed-upon payment schedule. It is not expected that it will be paid in full on May 15<sup>th</sup>, as we were told by the resident. Council discussed. Heather made a motion that account 18 should be shut off and the meter pulled if not paid in full by May 15<sup>th</sup>. JoAnn second. Roll Call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

**New Business** – Aaron said account 94 had a major lead; 184,000 gallons. Aaron will try to get WCSD to grant a sewer credit.

There have been complains about an abandoned van with expired tags on High St. It's been there several weeks. Mary said she will look into it.

Mary said there is a water leak along Rt. 256 / Ruffner Road. They are looking into it.

Garry made a motion to again participate in the Regional Income Tax Agency Subpoena program for past due income tax payments. Robert second. Roll Call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Mary said she's been trying to get a bill for internet services from Mark Seevers for several days. He keeps promising that he'll send, but he never does. Aaron has been trying to get him to invoice the Village for years. We owe him for several years of service, but he never sends us bill no matter how much we bug him. You'd think the guy would want reimbursed for his costs. She'll continue to follow up with him, and then refer the matter to the solicitor.

Mary said she wanted to thank Jerry Mock and Micro for the gravel at the municipal building.

Mary said she wanted to thank Steve from the Window Man for fixing the soffit on the municipal building.

Mary said Jacob Ulrich contacted her about an abandoned gas line that's on his property. He keeps hitting it with his mower. The gas company won't come, and said the Village has to request it. The Village has no authority over the gas lines to our knowledge. Jamie Carroll said we might try asking Ronnie Lehman about it since he used to work for them. Mary will try.

Council discussed the current plans for the old Weidner's Corner property.

Mary wanted to thank Garry Boring for fixing the playground equipment.

As there was no further business to discuss, JoAnn made a motion to adjourn. Garry second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried. Time is 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully prepared by,

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Aaron Reedy