

Village of Thurston
Council Meeting Minutes
August 14, 2019

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 - present
 Scott Whited – present Lowell Hite – present Heather Baker - present
 Mary Boring, Mayor – present Aaron Reedy, Fiscal Officer – present

Mary asked for a moment of silence for former Councilwoman, Vickie Carroll.

Katlyn and Gary Yost were present and said they had a main pipe leak between the meter pit and their trailer. They have come to ask for payment arrangements since the bill was so high. They offered to pay \$150 every 2 weeks until it was caught up. Jimmy made a motion to allow Acct 21 to make payments of \$150 every 2 weeks until the bill was caught up, and stop charging penalties and late fees, and no shut-offs until the account was paid up. Scott seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Robert made a motion to approve the July 2019 meeting minutes. Scott seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried. Scott made a motion to approve the July 2019 financial statement. Jimmy seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Heather made a motion to approve the August 13 2019 special meeting minutes. Jimmy seconded. Roll call vote: all YES, with Scott abstaining. Motion carried. No motion was made to waive council pay for that meeting.

Jimmy made a motion to waive the 3-reading rule and declare an emergency for Resolution 2019-11 – A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor And Fiscal Officer To Execute An Agreement With Walnut Township Board Of Trustees and the Declaration of an Emergency. Scott seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Scott made a motion to waive the 3-reading rule and declare an emergency for Resolution 2019-11 – A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor And Fiscal Officer To Execute An Agreement With Walnut Township Board Of Trustees and the Declaration of an Emergency. Jimmy seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

First Reading of Ordinance 2019-12 – An Ordinance Rescinding Ordinance 2012-16 and Establishing Updated Guidelines and Procedures for the Billing and Collection of Water and Sewer Fees.

Robert made a motion to waive the 3-reading rule and declare an emergency for Ordinance 2019-13 – An Ordinance to Amend the 2019 Appropriations Ordinance and the Declaration of an Emergency. Heather seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Scott made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-13 – An Ordinance to Amend the 2019 Appropriations Ordinance and the Declaration of an Emergency. Jimmy seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Jimmy made a motion to waive the 3-reading rule and declare an emergency for Resolution 2019-14 – A Resolution Accepting The Amounts And Rates As Determined By The Budget Commission And Authorizing The Necessary Tax Levies And Certifying Them To The County Auditor And The Declaration Of An Emergency. Robert seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Scott made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-14 – A Resolution Accepting The Amounts And Rates As Determined By The Budget Commission And Authorizing The Necessary Tax Levies And Certifying Them To The County Auditor And The Declaration Of An Emergency. Jimmy seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Business from Fire Chief - Chief Jim Hite was present and presented his report. Chief Hite said that Kent Leitnaker has applied again to the Fire Department. Council discussed briefly and stated they stand by their previous decision not to hire Kent to the Department.

Chief Hite said there is still an issue with the ladder that was delivered damaged to the firehouse. No one is taking responsibility for the damage. He's still working on it. The bill has not yet been paid. He said he's working on putting a list of hydrants together that need serviced.

Chief Hite said they would like to purchase a McCoy Miller 2019 F450 XLT Medic. The cost is \$245,182, which includes trading in the 1999 Medtech. It's a new truck. They were going to use it as a demo, but they didn't. Aaron and Chief Hite have been running numbers and coming up with a way to pay for this truck with current funds, and not borrowing. Things might be "tight" for a few months, but we feel it can be done. After some discussion, Robert made the motion to authorize the purchase of the new medic from Burgess for \$245,182.00. Scott second. Roll call vote: all YES, with Jimmy abstaining. Motion carried.

Robert made a motion to approve all PO's as requested in the Chief's reports. Scott seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Asst. Chief Jamie Carroll requested that we go ahead and get a loan to purchase the new Engine. Council discussed. It was decided to put off purchasing a new engine. We'll look at how the funds come in and look for an engine again the next couple of years.

Chief Hite said that All American Construction added \$12,000 to their quote because they weren't taking the pad all the way to the road. Jimmy made a motion to approve the additional \$12,000 for the vendor for the work. Robert second. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Business from the Safety Committee - None

Business from the Service Committee – None

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 – Council decided to get another quote for AC in the Council Chambers.

New Business - None

As there was no further business to discuss, JoAnn made a motion to adjourn at 7:45 pm. Scott seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Respectfully prepared by,

Aaron Reedy