



TOWN OF St. JOHN
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MEETING OF February 15, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Webb. Councilmembers Bezdicek, Hamshar, Hinds, and Smith, Public Works Steven Engles, community member Dan Wardwell, Cynthia Wall Fuller and the Town Clerk were in attendance.

The minutes of the January 24, 2022 meeting were read and approved as read.

The payables were presented to the Council for their review and discussion. The payables were moved by Bezdicek and seconded by Hinds. Motion carried by vote of the Council.

CL# 14378-14396 & EFT's	\$ 13,777.50
PR# EFT's	\$ 2,523.00

Cynthia Wall Fuller Project Manager, Small Communities Initiative for Washington State Department of Commerce gave a presentation on the advantages of doing an income survey for a Community Block Development Grant (CBDG). Surveys would be mailed to all residential addresses of current water/sewer customers. Cynthia would work closely with the clerk to head up the project. Cynthia will work up a survey methodology to start. The survey would need to be mainly completed by May so the engineering firm can fill out the grant application in time for the June close date. A motion to move forward on the income survey was given by Smith and seconded by Hamshar.

A concern was brought to the council in regards to the dog at 306 W Liberty. The dog runs loose, barks at all hours, knocks over garbage cans, and is very aggressive. A neighbor had tried to shoo the dog from their yard but the dog came after them instead. Mayor will talk to resident.

Notice was given for a banquet permit for Taco Trauma March 11, 2022. No objections from council.

Conversation about Sohon Court entrance road was initiated. The entrance was originally a driveway and was not meant for the current traffic in and out. Discussion on who's

responsibility it is to maintain the entrance ensued. Further discussion is needed after a conversation with the state road department.

Street lights for Sohon court are being processed.

Discussion on Willson addition (Sunset Place) was initiated. Developer will need to follow the towns Land Developer Responsibilities. The town's engineering firm and developer should meet and have a discussion on the development. Topic will be revisited.

Whitman County Landfill Spring Clean up is set for April 8-16. Motion by Hinds seconded by Bezdicek to offer a Spring Clean Up to the residents of St John like the one that was held in the fall. The Clerk will contact the landfill and Sutton Salvage to set up containers for the event. Further discussion is needed for details.

Discussion on further action needed on clean-up of residential areas was initiated. With the council's goal to take a stricter stand on these issues letters may need to be sent by the Town's attorney. Mayor will have conversation with the town attorney.

Public Works initiated conversation about culverts that are stored at the old shop. These will be moved out of sight to the main shop. Estimates for chip sealing Main and Park streets will be done and an estimate on Sohon Court could also be done. Resident asked public works if some gravel could be brought in for the parking in front of the residence. Measurements will need to be done to see what is city right of way and what is the responsibility of the resident. After measurements are done and right of way is determined railroad ballast could be brought in while ground is soft for packing and something more permanent could be done next fall. This issue will need to be revisited after research.

No request for additional comments were stated and it was moved by Mayor Webb, seconded, and unanimously agreed to adjourn. The Meeting was adjourned at 7:42 PM.



F. Shani Hergert
CLERK – TREASURER



Michael G. Webb
MAYOR