

WALLSBURG TOWN COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

October 5, 2023 - 7 pm

MINUTES

1. Call to Order 7:02pm

- a. Pledge of Allegiance - Completed
- b. Prayer – Scott Larsen
- c. Roll Call – Scott Larsen, Justin Carlile, Clint Allen, Terri Eisel, Alisha O’Driscoll. Celeni Richins Excused.

Yvonne Thompson, Elliot Anderson, Aubri Buehler, Zach Hicken, Steve Jacques, Bob Piscitelli, Mary Piscitelli, Clair Provost, Eric Hales, Kirra Carlile, Amanda Carlile, Kerry Richins, Kraig Ford, Brenda Ford, Justin Atkin, Scott Richins, Troy Thompson.

2. Consent Calendar: Be it hereby moved that the following consent calendar items stand approved:

- a. Agenda of the October 5, 2023 Town Council Meeting
- b. Minutes of the September 7, 2023 Town Council Meeting

Agenda stands approved.

Motion: Scott Larsen moves to approve the minutes for September 7, 2023 Second: Justin Carlile Vote: Unanimous

3. Approve Budget

- a. September Budget and check register
- b. September Budget and check register questions

Comments: Scott Larsen- Class C road funds are in, that’s good.

Questions: Park power bill is still high. Terri Eisel will check the breaker and misc at the park to see what is going on.

Motion: Justin Carlile moves to approve the September budget and check register Second: Terri Eisel Vote: Unanimous

4. Public Comment (5 minutes): This is the public’s opportunity to comment on items that are NOT on the agenda. Please come up to the table, state your name and address before making a comment, and speak loudly to assure comments are recorded properly.

Kerry Richins: Is there going to be a new water tank? (Yes) Who is paying for that? (Everyone in the Town/Water Customers) Did you know that water tanks are obsolete? There are rats and skunks floating in it and all you do is chlorinate it. (It doesn’t, it is opened regularly). Why are we spending money on the tank when we can put a hole right in the ground? We have a ‘tank’ right under our feet that is naturally pristine source. You want to put a tank up on the hill for better pressure, is that what this is for? (Yes, it is for fire flow and different things like that. There was a study done and the engineers advised what the needs for our valley are.) All you need is more wells for fire protection. The tank is going to go higher for more water pressure, correct? (Yes) So it’s not just for fire protection. It’s to increase pressure for people. (Yes, it improves a couple of things.) Do you know what that tank costs? (Yes, we know the cost) It’s very expensive. Was there anyone that put any information in to say if you put some holes into the ground what that would cost to use the water that’s in the ground, that’s fire protection. (That wasn’t the way that the engineers went with it). Tanks are obsolete, and you are charging the people of the valley for the tank and I disagree because wells would cost a fraction of this tank. I am not afraid of the Town of Wallsburg. (Thank you for your comment).

Aubri Buehler: What is the status of the road between the Whitings and the Hickens? Did that get resolved and is ½ and ½ or what is going on there? (The Town is out of litigation regarding that road, the ordinance was read and recorded but the county needed more information on what will happen with that land- it wasn’t specified in the ordinance. We’ve been working with the county and the attorney to get those legal descriptions created and finalized).

Aubri Buehler: Going back to the water tank. Was there a study done on the actual tank? I didn’t read the whole 59 pages, but from what I can see in the documents provided, it doesn’t say that a study was done. It says that the Town is concerned. That’s fine if the Town is concerned but there needs to be some study to back it up. I understand that the line and the pipes need to be done but if we are going to spend so much on a new tank we should have a study done on the old one. Is that going to cost money, yeah- a fraction of what the new tank could cost. Are there other ways to bring pressure in if its just about pressure? (It solves lots of problems. It gives us more storage in case of fire demand, sets up for growth, and raises pressure on existing line that we can’t serve lots that have already been approved, and replaces deteriorating tank. The engineers have looked and studied it and advised.) That’s not included in the report you gave me, we need to find that out. There should be a study on the actual tank. Im not saying it isn’t old, but we need to have the study done. The report also has figures on how much we need and how much we have and what is that based on? Lots we have in Town now or future growth? (Please read the study, all of the pages of information they came up with and you will find the answers that you are looking for.) Im asking you, how did you get that information? Where did they get their projections? Someone gave them that

number. (Based on their calculations, they came up with those numbers. If you read in there it will list the reasons why.) I feel like there should be a study done to the existing tank to justify the new tank whatever the cost of the study is, it should be done. (There are a lot of benefits to replacing the tank.) We need to know about the existing tank, these tanks have been around forever. I think it's legitimate to ask where is the study? (Read through the master plan and it has the answers.) Did someone come in and test the tank? (No. they have visually looked at it and determined that it is not up to standards). Where is that information? (read through the documentation, all of the answers are in there.) (In the documentation it says the fire marshall determined that Wallsburg is required to have 293,500 gallons of storage and it currently has 225,000 gallons which leaves 68,500 deficit. It also says in here that the numbers are projected from census data.) (If you read through that it will answer your questions.) If we're talking about the need for fire, is that for the entire valley or for the Town? (Customers) Does that include people up the valley that are on the water system? (Read through the documentation) You should know the answers to these questions. You should be asking those questions for us. (Read through the documentation and it will answer your questions). You as the water master should know the answers to these questions. Thank you.

Troy Thompson: How much water does Wallsburg own out of Warm Springs? (54 Gallons Per Minute). How many connections do we have on the water system? (130) How big is the tank? (One is 125,000 gallons and one is 100,000 gallons) Where are we going to come up with this much water? Diverting it out of main creek or? (The water is the same once the tank is filled. The old tank will be abandoned). No, if you trade water shares it changes. So if we get to that point where we drill a well, is the Town going to pay for that? (There is already a well). I understand that, but we are talking about more water. If the Town grows, where is it going to come from? We are paying for infrastructure for growth. (Your paying for the guarantee of water right now). What is this water project going to cost us? (\$4 million from the Town, \$4 from a grant). Who is paying for the new project (Town Citizens/Water Customers. It's already done, the project is in process- you guys are complaining about something that you should have been here a year ago about). That's exactly right. And that's going to be changed.

Troy Thompson: Why wasn't the road replaced, up by Graham's and Memmott's? I seen the bid docs, you're going to let them tell you what to do with the road? (It will be patched by October 15th on the part that was destroyed by the water line work. The whole road hasn't been repaired because there isn't enough money to repair it.) One other thing, you're allowed 54GPM out of Warm Springs. Dennis Daley alone is allowed 250GPM, that's to put it in perspective for anybody here. (Over time, more water will be turned in and taken out of there to support growth). If you drill it from a well. (That's yet to be decided) It will be decided.

Steve Jacques: At the very end, he asked with the power issues we had last season and recently, how long would the water last during a power outage? (500 gpm until 125,00 gallons.) Town might want to look into a generator for backup. (We've talked about that a lot, definitely an option to add on if we can. The spring feeds us water, so we have a small advantage).

5. Agenda Items:

a. Wasatch County Fire and EMS – Information and Discussion Only

- i. Wasatch County Fire and EMS will present information to the public on the proposed county wide sales tax increase that will be on the voting ballot this year.

MOVED TO THE LAST ITEM

Explained Proposition 9 that will be on the ballot, answered misc questions, and asked for the Town's support.

Proposed 1% sales tax to fund EMS. A large amount of EMS calls come from visitors and this 1% sales tax will be on goods and services that come from out of county/state visitors (restaurants, prepared foods, hotels, etc.)

Ended into a short discussion on fire flow requirements and questions about Wallsburg Town water tank, etc. They do not have the specific answers being asked.

b. Fee Schedule – Action Item

- i. Adopt resolution to accept new fee schedule.

Changes/Updates: Added GRAMA Request fee: \$25 per request up to 20 pages. Beyond 20 pages is \$20/hour plus \$.50 per page. Park Rental verbiage slight changed. Cemetery plot fees changed from \$500 across the board to \$500 for primary resident of Wallsburg Town, \$1200 for primary resident of Wallsburg Valley, \$2400 non resident. Lastly, in development the verbiage changed regarding annexations to clarify. Everything else is the same.

-Read "Resolution 004-2023"

Motion: Justin Carlile moves to adopt the resolution as stated Second: Terri Eisel Vote: Unanimous

c. Cemetery Plot Purchase Inquiry – Action Item

- i. Wallsburg Town resident Mary Piscitelli would like to purchase 10 cemetery plots and would like an exception to be considered to Section 2.16.060 of the current cemetery ordinance and approved by the Town Council.

Mary Piscitelli would like to purchase 10 cemetery plots. Something her parents had done for her family and something she'd like to do for hers. Didn't realize the ordinance was for 2 per person, would like to ask for an exception. (The reason the ordinance is the way it is is because when people purchase 8-10 per person, there goes a lot that are unused.) Has the technology changed that its easier to track and transfer changes now? (Yes, most of the issues are generations back and the current grandchildren/great grandchildren all have to sign off). I know there are ways around it to have everyone in the family buy 2 and get up to the amount we need, but I just want it to be clean. (the Town Council discussed and did not see an issue with granting the request).

Motion: Justin Carlile moves to allow Mary Pisctielli to purchase 10 burial rights

Second: Terri Eisel

Vote: Unanimous

d. Water System Improvement Project Update – Information and Discussion Only

- i. Discuss status of water system improvement project.

The only update I have for today is that the road patches didn't get done when they were supposed to, they will be done by October 14th. Eckles Paving will be completing the work. Project is still in engineering.

e. Fiber Internet Grant Project Update – Information and Discussion Only

- i. Discuss status of grant project for fiber internet.

It's all been submitted. Waiting to see when it will be approved through the state and money will be available.

f. Election Update – Information and Discussion Only

- i. Write-In Candidate deadline is September 18th, 2023. General Election is November 21st, 2023.

Three write in candidates: Troy Thompson, Elliot Anderson, Mary Piscitelli. Posted at Town Hall and Post Office. Ballots mailed out by the end of October. Drop box will be here at the Town Hall or over at the County Offices. The Mayoral Race will be cancelled, Celeni Richins was unopposed. Two Council member spots will be filled by voting. If you have questions please call or email us and we'll help answer those questions.

g. 100 West Resolution of Acknowledgement – Action Item

- i. In the interest of Wallsburg Town avoiding unnecessary litigation, the purpose of this resolution is to acknowledge the public status of 100 West. This is an acknowledgement of an existing public road for recording purposes and no changes are being proposed, made, or voted on.

Terri Eisel recuses herself from discussing or voting on this item.

-Read "Resolution 003-2023"

-Justin Atkin explained the purpose of the resolution and offered to answer any public questions.

Question: Was there a title search done to see if anything was passed on this previously? (Yes there was a search done and no documentation was found. That's what this is going to fix).

Motion: Justin Carlile moves to adopt the resolution as stated

Second: Scott Larsen

Vote: Unanimous

6. Department Reports

- a. To discuss continued agenda items, assignments

- i. Buildings (Scott Larsen) – Safety lights in hallway, batteries are dead. Will be replaced.
- ii. Roads (Scott Larsen) – Nothing as far as the grant. Potholes need to be patched.
- iii. Cemetery (Justin Carlile) – Fallen tree, post (at your own risk) firewood on facebook. FCFS. Gordy will turn off water. Blow outs are scheduled.
- iv. Park (Terri Eisel) – Blow outs are scheduled. Water will be turned off.
- v. Water (Clint Allen) - Keep an update on the agenda for each month.
- vi. Mayor (Celeni Richins) – Excused
- vii. Clerk (Alisha O'Driscoll) – Front door needs repaired at the Town Hall. Women's bathroom has a support that keeps falling over that needs repaired.

b. Call for Agenda items for October Town Council Work Meeting (Expected October 19, 2023)
Project List, Spring Creek Trail Ideas, Planning Commission Q&A/Discussion

c. Call for Agenda items for November Town Council Meeting (Expected November 2, 2023)
Water Update, Broadband Update, Election Update, Activities, Alisha will have others

7. Items Continued To Future Monthly Town Council Meetings

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8. Adjourn

Motion: Justin Carlile moves to adjourn

Second: Terri Eisel

Vote: Unanimous

Time: 8:35pm