

Minutes for Regular Meeting held on April 21th, 2025

Andrew Duarte, Acting Mayor

Anita Shelton, Trustee

Melissa Melton, Trustee

Minda Emswiler, Town Clerk

1. **Quorum present. Meeting called to order at 7:01 pm.**
2. Public Participation: none
3. Anita requested to be added to minute #8 on the regular March minute to clarify that “the purchase of a police vehicle is tabled until the town acquires a grant”. Anita made the motion to approve the Minutes for March regular meeting. Melissa 2nd.
 - a. Anita made the motion to approve the March/April Encumbrances, Melissa 2nd.
 - b. Anita made the motion to approve March’s treasurer’s report, Melissa 2nd.
4. Anita made the motion to approve the Purchase Orders for FD, GF, and St & Alley, Melissa 2nd
5. Reports from officers and boards:
 - a. Fire Chief, Denton Ervin: They have been completing lots of paperwork for the Forestry to be qualified to still receive reimbursement checks every month. They are required to make monthly reports on the Fire Department’s expenditure.
 - b. Police Chief, Thomas Gibbons: 199 citations written in the month of March, one criminal arrest for possession of marijuana, and three district court citations. The police department has hired new officers to patrol the town.
6. John from the Department of Transportation came to discuss the School Zone Speed Limit Modification as per the agreement to install the new school flashers. He explained that the state recommends that the lights are flashing only in the morning and nights to not lose their effectiveness. He explained that the lights going on all day normalizes the flashing lights and make them less effective in getting the driver’s attention. The Board asked if the school would be able to manually turn on the lights if there was emergency, John’s words were “Capable, yes. Authorized? No.” The school lights cannot be turned off and on manually. The board asked about the liabilities, and it was agreed that since the Town is abiding by ODOT’s rules, that ODOT will be liable for the school flashers. Anita made the motion to accept and sign the Resolution Agreement Approving State of Oklahoma Department of Transportation School Zone Speed Limit Modification, Melissa 2nd.
7. Rossane discussed the meeting the town of Snyder had with the EMS board on the options to raise the money needed to keep the EMS services for the three towns of Mountain Park, Snyder, and Roosevelt. The board is still open for suggestions, but the most obtainable solution was to add \$20 on each water bill. They are aware that this isn’t the most ideal solution, so the EMS board is having a Public Awareness Lunch on Saturday 27th at the school cafeteria to allow the public to discuss and ask questions. Anita made the motion to table for the next meeting, Melissa 2nd.

8. The current price for the roll-off box is \$25 for in-town residents, \$30 for out-of-town residents. The Board proposed to lower the price to \$15 for a standard truck load, and \$25 for a trailer load. Melissa made the motion to approve the amendment to the town ordinance *Chapter 16, Article 3, Section 16-35 Charges for Solid Waste Collection and Disposition*
9. The minute was tabled for the next meeting until more information was gathered for both parties.
10. Executive Session at 8:06
11. Left 8:36
12. In the executive session it was discussed that the current officers working get a \$1.00 raise.
13. The attorney was not present to present a contract scheduled for the next meeting.
14. Misty Need was not present to present updates
15. Previously discussed on minute #7.
16. Mark Johnson presented the road committee updates. Because of the heavy rain, he wanted to get a jump on weeds and evaluate where water sits on the roads.
17. No Comments from Trustees.

Adjourned 8:17 pm.

Approve _____

Date _____