

# Town of Williams Creek

## Minutes – Town Council meeting Monday, August 8, 2011

### Attendance:

#### Present:

Richard Dickinson, President  
Jane Houck, Town Member  
Robert Parrin, Clerk-Treasurer  
Allen Kasper, Town Marshall  
Ellen Townsend, Town Attorney

#### Absent:

David Reese, Town Member

#### Others present:

Steve Moss

### Agenda and discussion:

1. Update on Town finances – Bob Parrin: Presented a draft of the 2012 budget. We have not yet received the 2012 assessed valuation but expect it to be 10% less than prior year. This may have the impact of reducing property tax receipts to the Town by \$8,000 to \$10,000 next year. Between managing expenses and our Rainy Day Fund we should be OK. There will be a public meeting 8/15/2011 to discuss the 2012 budget if any town residents wish to attend.
2. Town streets paving and related funding – R. Dickinson: There is a possibility that we may be able to have our main thoroughfares Willow Springs and Forest resurfaced yet this year with other streets in need of resurfacing next Spring. Damage to three other streets due to housing construction has been invoiced to three contractors. One has paid; we are awaiting receipt from two others.
3. Williams Creek Picnic – No updates.
4. Town Newsletter – Richard Dickinson: There has been difficulty printing address labels. R. Dickinson and A. Kasper will resolve.
5. Street signs and lighting update - R. Parrin: We finally received a rate and upfront costs for decorative LED street lighting from IPL. Its standard will be a single or two light fixture like those currently being installed on the Circle. There is an upfront cost for the fixtures and installation which we should be able to fund from the Rainy Day Fund. The monthly cost is about twice the current charge. We have asked for an explanation from IPL as the LED's should be at least 50% more efficient than the current mercury vapor lamps and require virtually no maintenance. Alternatively, we will look at the cost to procure and install lighting independently of IPL.

- A. Kasper has developed an inventory of traffic control signage as well as street signage. We will solicit bids for both and report findings at a future meeting.
6. Home construction on Ridge - R. Dickinson: Dick reported that the long running home construction is nearing completion, hopefully with the next 12 months.
  7. Next election cycle - E. Townsend: As there are no challengers to any of our elected positions on the November ballot, the current office holders will remain in those positions for another term. However, the ordinance to add two additional town Council positions will be on the ballot. Assuming it is passed, the Council will appoint new members. A Council President will be chosen by the Council by year end.
  8. New Council candidates - R. Dickinson: Dick has a list of residents who have previously expressed an interest in serving. he will contact them and advise the Council of his findings.

There being no further business, R. Dickinson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by J. Houck.

Minutes recorded by Robert Parrin, Clerk-Treasurer