

**TOWN OF MALDEN**  
**JULY 26, 2022 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Mayor Dan Harwood opened the regular meeting at 7:02 pm. Councilmembers in attendance were Bob Law, Lori Dickinson, Ben Hale and Scott Shauf. Councilmembers Janell Turner joined by phone. Maintenance staff, Ernie Brown and Clerk/Treasurer Micki Harnois were also present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Bob L. moved to approve the amended agenda, Ben H. seconded, motion carried.

Ben H. moved to approve the July 12, 2022 regular meeting minutes. Bob L. seconded, motion carried. Scott S. moved to approve the July 19, 2022 special meeting minutes. Bob L. seconded, motion carried.

**Announcements:** Mayor Dan announced that the Team Rubicon will be in Malden in August. A burn ban was established at noon today. No fire of any kind is allowed in Malden and Whitman County.

**Committee Reports:**

LTRO Committee update-Chandelle Frick announced that the LTRO are planning on having an event in the month of September

Building Committee- No report.

Code Enforcement Committee- Three Notice of Infractions and Order to Abate have been sent.

Park Committee: Randy Kline and Lisa Anderson from Washington State Parks came to Malden got a tour of the town. Work on the trail and trailhead is planned to begin on August 1<sup>st</sup>. It was suggested that there be a path from Ash Street down to the trailhead.

**Old Business:**

New Fire Station Architect/Engineering – The Town Council will be holding a special meeting to have interviews on July 26<sup>th</sup> with Integrus Architect and Architects West.

Goat Vegetation Removal Project- Mayor Dan announced there are 9 days left for the town contract.

**New Business:**

Goodwill Industries is having a program offering free chrome books to families. Chandelle Frick has the information.

Clerk Micki H. announced that she is working on revisions to the animal keeping regulations. There will be a public hearing after the Council reviews them.

**Public Comment:** It was asked if the fire department is considering having practice burns. They won't be until the burn ban has been lifted.

**Warrant Register**-Checks# 7274 through 7289– Claims-\$10,497.49 and Payroll-\$3,868.08  
TOTAL - \$14,363.57

Bob L. moved to approve the checks, Lori D. seconded. Motion carried

**Department Reports**

**Clerk:** Micki Harnois announced that the town hall will be open as a cooling center July 27<sup>th</sup> through 29<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 3pm.

Water: Ernie B. said that a new water outdoor spigot has been installed by the temporary fire station. Water meters will be read later this week.

Streets: No report

Park: Ernie B. is watering

Fire Department: Mayor Dan stated that the brush truck is at Jones Equipment in Colfax due to electrical problems.

**Public Comment-**

Some asked if when the roads get worked on is it possible to do some work in the church parking lot. The contract does not include that but if there is material left possibly the town can do so.

Council Comments-Bob L. would like to have any event be at least a week after Labor Day. He encourages the residents to get involved in these upcoming events.

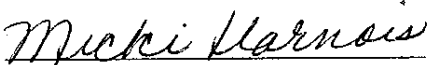
Scott S. said that there are six people watching this FB live meeting. More viewers seem to do so later after the meeting. He encourages that LTRO have their community meetings on FB Live.


He was told that they are.

Janelle T. thanked her neighbors who have been helping with her yard work.

Mayor Report- Mayor Dan announced that Andrew Engell with Cathy McMorris Rogers office and John Coulton with Patty Murry's office have affirmed that the town will be receiving \$3.5 million for the sewer project. The match for the town will be \$600,000 unless we receive a waiver due to a financial hardship to the residents. This is proven by an income survey which includes how many people in the house and what range of income the household falls in. This survey will be in the water bill and all information is confidential. If we qualify, then a grant from state Emergency Management will help with the match.

Bob L. moved to adjourn the meeting. Lori D. seconded. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

  
Clerk/Treasurer

  
Mayor