

**Torrey Town Minutes**  
**Torrey Town Hall**  
**75 E 100 No.**  
**October 8, 2015**  
**6:30 pm**

**Mayor Present**

Scott Chesnut

**Council Members Present**

Ty Markham

Dustin Oyler

Pat Kearney

Doug Robinson

**Welcome:** Mayor Scott Chesnut welcomed the people and called the meeting October 8, 2015 meeting to order at 6:30pm. Mayor Chesnut stated that this was the regular scheduled monthly meeting. We would follow the agenda as presented.

Approve minutes

**Motion: To approve the minutes of September 10, 2015**

**The motion made by Pat Kearney**

**Seconded by Doug Robinson**

**All voted in favor Motion passed.**

**Financial Report.** Colleen Dudleston handed each councilmember a financial packet. She explained it was an average month with no unusual payments or bills to be paid. She showed the breakdown of expenses for administration and water. The council was asked to look at their individual reports and see where they were with their budgets. Doug had a question about his cemetery fund. Colleen explained that is what he has left after the expenses. The Bill for Jacksons has not come in yet. The fall lawn treatment for the park and cemetery has not come in yet

**Motion: to pay and approve the bills**

**Made by Pat Kearney**

**Seconded by Ty Markham**

**All were in favor and motion passed.**

The Mayor asked that Raymond Potter be moved up on the agenda so he would not have to wait for his turn.

Raymond Potter wanted the town to excuse the water overage bill, because of a water leak. After the line was dug up, it was determined by Jacksons that the yoke of the meter was damaged. The council had discussion as to who was responsible for the bill to repair the break. Colleen said she had not received the bill from Jacksons. Potter acknowledged that they should have called the town sooner, and that their renter had some responsibility to call them. The town thought that Potters should help pay for the repair. Raymond felt that they should not

have to pay any. Mayor asked Raymond if he would put in a stop and waste and he said he would not. The council felt they could assume some of the cost because the parts were old and could have possibly caused the break. Scott said the council needs to specifically know where the town's responsibility ends when a leak occurs. Pat felt that the Potters and the renters should have been more responsible about the break. Councilmember Pat Kearney said all should be more responsible when it comes to water breaks. **Doug made the motion that the town assumes the responsibility for the repair and it was seconded by Ty seconded it and all were in favor. Motion passed.**

**Maintenance report:** Dustin Oyler. Because of the floods, we have had exposed pipes on Sandcreek. Jackson has tried to cover the pipes. Jacksons had to bring another truck load of gravel to fix the water flow that washed away the grout where they have built a rock wall. They will also put in new grout. The floods are taking out the pipe every time a flood comes along. Councilmember Robinson said we need to look at all alternatives to move the water including overhead pipe in casings. Councilmember Robinson had real concerns and felt the council needs to address this issue as soon as possible. It is not going to end and it is only going to get more costly. We also need address to the pipe up by the water tank. Kelly Chappell said that with our new water study he would look at the situation and see what could be done. Dustin said the stop signs have been ordered. 100 East street has been repaired with the road base as well as the other roads that needed fixing.

Permits and Licenses.

One new business license was issued to Ms. Blackburn to open her Law Office.

Kelly Chappell from Ensign engineering, gave an update on the master plan of Torrey Water they are ready to submit the plan just need to have the Mayor sign the Master Plan Agreement. Mayor signed the agreement service order to go ahead with the water study. The process takes about a month to complete.

**Motion: That the Mayor sign the Master Plan Agreement.  
Made by Pat Kearney  
Seconded by Doug Robinson,  
All were in favor  
Motion passes.**

Discussion was heard on closing out the last project from CIB and how to best use the money. The consensus was that the council wants to make sure that every meter is working before we close out the money.

The Mayor, Dustin, and Colleen will meet with the Jones and De Mille representative, to discuss this issue. They will meet on Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>. Dustin will also meet with the Division of Drinking water representative, to learn how to fill out the forms on our water.

**Report on the personnel policy, and building permit.**

The personnel handbook has been updated and the council needs to look at it and see if they

approve the changes.

The town will begin selling building permits January 2016. An ordinance was presented to the council members for review. They would like to pass it in the November meeting.

**Mayor Business:** Dog Control. The council will have councilmember Ty Markham call the Dixons and research remedies with the Humane Society. The council on 6:30 sometime next week with the Dixons to discuss the issue of barking dogs. The council felt we need to let the Dixons know we are trying to rectify the problem. Councilmember Robinson would like the council to really think about how we can fix it. We do not have anything in place that is really enforceable. The council wants all to look at the ordinance and see if we can do something that is enforceable. Perhaps we need an animal control officer. Suggestions were made to make a kennel license renewable based on meeting certain conditions; make a noise barrier, have a fine imposed upon the owner who does not comply. The consensus was we need to make an enforceable kennel ordinance, and an enforceable noise ordinance

**P&Z Council report**

P&Z Mary Bedingfieldsmith.

The council approved the amended P&Z ordinance.

**Motion to approve the amended the P&Z ordinance.**

**Made by Ty Markham**

**Seconded by Pat Kearney.**

**All were in favor motion Passed.**

The question came up as to who is the appeals authority.

Can it be the council? It could be. However, another suggestion was to have people from other towns on the appeals committee. Nothing was definitely decided.

Another concern was the renting of rooms and other structures on people property. The county has been working on an ordinance concerning this problem. Torrey was going to look at it and see how it may fit our needs.

According the town general plan Torrey wants to preserve a dark sky. According to the dark sky group, one of the things a town has to decide is which Light Zone we would like to be. Mary handed out a paper that gave several options and asked the council to look over the description and decide which zone would work best for Torrey community. They could give their opinion next month. When the council decides, they could give their suggestion to the P&Z committee, and give them permission to begin to write a lighting ordinance.

The lights for Main Street should be here by the end of October 2015.

**Council Member Reports.**

**Doug Robinson** has met with county commissioners, and Jones and DeMille and they felt we would have a higher percentage of getting funding and a higher likelihood of getting a grant if we include a broader base and expand our water district. The Town of Torrey would be the manager of the water system. There is some opposition to Torrey acquiring an aquifer for water from some residents of Teasdale. However, the engineers and commissioners the Wayne County Water Conservative District could sponsor us. At this point it is looking positive. There are many positive points to be considered here.

Doug will still work on this project and report to the council

He also took a tour of the water system and the inspection of water system. It is running had a

high speed per minute over 2000 gallons per minute. This is the highest it has ever been.

**Old Business**

Mayor Chesnut asked the council to think of something we could do with the money given to the Town by Beehive Grant. We have \$3000.00 to work with. Fans were suggested to help reduce the heat in the pavilion during the summer and perhaps put doors on the south. The question was asked does the Color Country Animal Welfare have a business license and do they need one. The council would like them to come and address the council of their plans.

Pat Kearney informed the council that we got the grant to purchase the Moosman Property and would like the council's approval to give them an earnest money check to the property owners. The council said that would be acceptable.

Councilmember Pat Kearney suggested that we consider changing the office hours. Discussion was heard if we should extend the office hours so that we could better serve the public and cover the office business better. A four day week was suggested, Paula and Colleen each working two days. The council was asked to think about it and come up with some suggestions that might work. They also suggested that Colleen and Paula come up with scenarios that might work.

**Community concerns:** Mary Bedingfieldsmith. The southeast corner of her street has a huge pothole and needs to be fixed. The Mayor suggested she go to the County and talk to Commissioner Dennis Blackburn to fix the hole and road.

**Motion to adjourn**

**Made by Ty Markham**

**Seconded by Pat Kearney**

**All were in favor.**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:43**