

Minutes of the Altamont Town Council Meeting
May 8, 2025

Present:

Glen Jessen
Scott Allen
Vickie Jessen

Public:

Dee Miles
Shane Rowley
Karolyn Jessen
Cindy Jenson
Mckinley Belnap
Callie Dale
Greg Lamb
Wendy Lamb

Craig Kettle, Town Employee
Amanda (Mandy) Gardner, Town Clerk
Brandon Peck Fire Chief

Clyde Watkins and Russel Sorensen were not present
Glen Jessen called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Fire Department (7:04 p.m.)

Mac Thacker is joining the department, and will be taking a truck out to fight fires, before he can go the department needs \$15,000 credit card for expenses. Mandy suggested a My Express card. The expenses will be reimbursed. All receipts will need to be turned in. Fire Chief Peck informed the council that a new engine cost around half a million. Chief Peck is not sure how long truck 153 will be usable, now is the time to be looking for funding.

Brandon Peck left the meeting

Cemeteries (7:13 p.m.)

Karolyn Jessen informed the council that the Stake Primary would like to do a cemetery clean service project June 2, 2025 and would like to include the Altonah Cemetery. A dumpster will be provided by Shelby and Dewy Christensen. It is important to teach the youth respect and community service.

Karolyn stated that she had been looking for donations for the Altonah cemetery, she has had paint donated for the gate, fencing around the gate, and new signs. Before Memorial Day, the plan is to paint the flag poll and gate, trim trees and general clean up. Ms. Jessen would like to form a committee with Wendy Lamb as the head. The committee would like some direction from the council. The Council suggested talking with Ida Lou Taylor about how the Boneta-Mountain Home Cemetery was ran.

Wendy Lamb asked if the committee need to ask permission every time they want to cemetery. Glen state in his option that minor clean up efforts shouldn't need permission, major project, the town would need to be involved with. Vickie added that there needs to be an understanding on what the town will be over and what the committee can be over. Cindy Jenson asked if there were funds for the cemetery. Mandy answered that the cemetery fund is able to pay the bills, Craig's wages come out of the general fund, there is no extra money.

The council agreed to let the primary do the service project, and form a committee. The council invited the chair person to attend council meetings to discuss the cemetery and major projects. The council reminded the public that the head stones in the cemetery belong to the

families, and if the families want their headstone raised, it was up to the family, and only the family, to take care of the raising of the headstone.

Karolyn Jessen, Mckinley Belnap, Cindy Jenson, Callie Dale, Greg & Wendy Lamb left the meeting

Shane informed the council that with that an access easement added to the survey, would not change the cost of the survey the cost will be approximately 2000.

Shane Rowley left the meeting

Utilities (7:45p.m.)

No updates at this time

Upper Community Recreation District Park Agreement (7:45 p.m.)

No updates at this time

Duchesne County School District: Annexation, and Roads. (7:46p.m.)

Dee Miles stated that the annex process is almost to end. Mandy stated that the thirty day wait period should be about over. The town would need to hold a public hearing, before it could vote, then the information is sent to the Lieutenant Governor's office.

Dee Miles stated that the only part left for the road is for the town to vote on an ordinance. Glen and Vickie stated that before the town would vote, the town would like a written agreement that the school district will pave part the road since the town is giving up a paved road. Dee Miles informed the council that there are plans for new curb and gutter starting at main street and going up to the new school. The district is planning on paving the section that the town has asked for. As the construction of the elementary wraps up, the school district will look at the road to see if the construction damages the road, if there is damage the school district will look at repairing the road and if needed repave the road.

Dee updated the council on the construction of the elementary. Scott asked if there were any concerns about asbestos. Dee Miles informed the council that there are yearly checks and laws that make sure the any asbestos is handle correctly.

Next month the council will vote on vacating the road and annexing the High School into town limits.

Dee Miles left the meeting

Property Management (8:02 p.m.)

No updates at this time

Budget (8:02 p.m.)

Mandy asked the council of any project to be included in the budget for next year. Vickie expressed interest in having welcome to Altamont signs. Glen, stated that he planned on having the gravel roads graded.

Elections (8:16 p.m.)

Mandy alerted the council, of the upcoming candidates declaration June 2-6. Also reviewed the application process, and qualification required to run for office. If there are not enough applicants to fill all the council positions, the council can appoint someone to fill the spot.

Meeting ended at 8:21 p.m.

Read and approved this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Minuets of the meeting prepared by Amanda Gardner Town Clerk