

ASOTIN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

JULY 14th, 2025

Asotin City Hall, 121 Cleveland Street, Asotin WA

- **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Dwayne Paris, called the City Council Meeting to order at 5:30p.m.
- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Paris led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **ROLL CALL:** Steve Cowdrey, Lori Loseth, Craig Stein, David Weakland and Tim Ottmar
- **STAFF PRESENT:** Tina Davidson, City Clerk-Treasurer
- **PUBLIC PRESENT:** Cheryl Wagoner, DeBella Complainant
- **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS- PUBLIC COMMENT:**
 - See comments under Unfinished Business
- **CONSENT CALENDAR:**
- **Minutes of June 23rd, 2025 Regular Meeting**
- Payroll 6/30/2025 & 2nd Qtr. Payroll CK#47254 – 47259, 47262, 47263, 47267 Including EFT's; \$28,805.62
- 2nd Qtr. Expense Claims 6/30/2025 CK# 42764, 47265, 47266, 47268 Including EFT \$7,760.95
- Expense Claims 7/14/2025 CK# 47269 - 47292 Including EFT's; \$41,664.02
- 3rd Qtr. Expense Claims 7/1/2025 CK#47260, 47261 \$7,950.00
- Voids: Ck#
- **Motion to approve the consent calendar by Cowdrey/Weakland, motion passed 5/0**
- **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Cheryl Wagoner, DeBella complainant
Cheryl Wagnor lives on 3rd & Hayes in Asotin Washington. The week of the Fair she had some roofing contractors come by and was wanting to give her a Free roofing estimate. They showed up at 10:30am and did not leave until 2:30pm (4 hours). She stated that they were very nice people and she really thought they were helping her. She stated that they kept saying that you have to PROMISE TO PAY TODAY!! And after 4 hours she just was ready to be done and just went along with what they told her to do. She signed the contract on an iPad and had to initial 47 spots, which she was unable to read, but did initial and did write them a check for \$7,450.00. After they left, she started thinking about what did she do....so she tried to cancel. However, it sated on the contract that the cancellation had to be in writing and had to be received within 5 days or it would not be valid. He written cancellation did not get there until 7 days so they will not cancel the contact.
 - April 23rd signed contract,
 - May 5th – Cancellation letter was received by DeBella (7 days)
 - May 21st Material delivered to residence.They told her that she was responsible for half the deposit and that she still needed to pay for materials that were being delivered. She pleaded with them to cancel the material. They did not and it was delivered to her residence and she refused to accept and it was returned. As of this meeting Deposit still has not been returned. Steve Cowdrey mentioned the AG's Office and gave her the website to file a complaint. The other complainant (Claudia Dangelo) is very ill and not able to attend the meeting. Tina Davidson did talk to her on the phone and she stated that this whole transaction caused her so much stress that she ended up in the hospital. She is very elderly and does not have much money and didn't know what was gong to happen. She is having a family member help her try and sort this out.

Dwayne Paris stated that they falsified the contract by not having a Business License in order to get a permit to do the work.

It appears from the business license that they operate under various contractors in a variety of cities.

- **Motion to move forward with the Revocation of Debella, Business License in the City of Asotin, by Cowdrey/Loseth, motion passed 5/0**
- **NEW BUSINESS:**
- **CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR REPORTS: None**
- **CLERK'S REPORT:** Tina reported that Dwayne has a Birthday of Friday!!
- Tina also reported that there was a Baptism at Chief Looking Glass Park on Sunday that was huge. They do this annually and it brings lots of people to Asotin.
Tina reported on the Asotin Days Meeting she attended on July 7th. They have a lot scheduled for this year. Schedule of events to be out soon. They do not want vendors on first street. If they are going to be a vendor, they need to be at the city park with all the events. Tina will notify vendors. The ones that have paid can either move to the park or refund their money.
Tina also reported that she sent out an email with the new Insurance Website information. They have asked all employees and council to log in and become a member and take advantage of all the Rick pool items available as of now.
- **DEPARTMENTS:**
 - **POLICE DEPARTMENT:** None
 - **FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Burn Ban in place
 - **PLANNING COMMISSION:** Next Meeting July 10, 2025
- **COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS - COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS**
 - **Lori Loseth** – None
 - **Craig Stein** – None
 - **David Weakland** – Will be gone for the next meeting.
 - **Tim Ottmar** – Tim asked about an email for Defense Grant and Dwayne stated that Tina is in the process of completing that for our Public Defense Fund.
 - **Steve Cowdrey** – None
- **MAYOR'S REPORT:** Dwayne reported that he has been working 12-to-14-hour days at the mill and therefore has not been around much for city work and wanted to thank all the staff for their help and understanding.
Dwayne also reported that the WSDOT project is a go, just waiting for a start date. This will probably happen during school, not much they can do about it.
Dwayne also gave an update on the Fire Dept Building Loan that Keller is working on for us. He signed the application to night so all the documents should be getting submitted to USDA this week.
Dwayne also reported on the Conditional Use problem. He provided everyone a draft copy of the letter and the Proposed Clarification of AMC18.28.030(J) that Adam drafted and asked everyone to review it and make notes of anything else that might need updated. Please send your comments to Tina and she will work on finalizing. These are just administration changes and therefore, not required to go through P&Z.
- **RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:**
 - **Ordinance 2025-898** An Ordinance Amending Ord 2006-690 Noise and Public Disturbance.
First Reading – July 14th, 2025
Second Reading – July 28th
- **Motion to approve First Reading of Ordinance 2025-898749 by Weakland/Cowdrey, motion passed 5/0**

- **EXECUTIVE SESSION: NONE**

- **ADJOURNMENT:**

**Motion to adjourn by Cowdrey/Weakland, Motion passed. 5/0
Meeting adjourned at 6:05pm.**

Dwayne Paris, Mayor

Tina Davidson, Clerk-Treasurer