



October 21, 2009

WILBUR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

7:30pm

Town Council of the Town of Wilbur, Lincoln County, Washington met in regular session on October 21, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at Wilbur Town Hall by Mayor Robert Wyborney.

REGULAR SESSION:

Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present

Robert Wyborney, Lynn McWhorter, Don Rolfe, Roy Scheibner, Jerry Metcalf and Donald Reid

Absences

None

Staff Present

Public Works Foreman Jim Pope, Police Chief Archie Shirley and Clerk/Treasurer Carla Shirley.

Citizens Present

Frank Stedman, Phil Williams, Robert Smith, Brad McDowell, Rhonda Luiten and Jeffery Luiten.

Additions or Corrections to Agenda

None

Presentations

None

Citizen Comments

A future citizen was present to ask the council to lift late fees and charges on the property he is purchasing. Mayor Wyborney explained provisions set by law on paying utility bills. The Town would be gifting public funds should the amount owing or a portion of the amount owing be waived. Mr. Wyborney suggested the Attorney review the account and provide legal answers.

Farm Property

Robert Smith spoke with the council regarding his continued interest in leasing a portion of the Town farm land for extending his campgrounds. Mr. Wyborney spoke regarding the current farm land lease and construction due to the sewer treatment plant. Further research will be done.

Public Hearing

At 7:45 the mayor opened the Public Hearing regarding Ordinance 496 amending the 2009 budget. With no citizen comments, the hearing was closed at 7:48 p.m.

Public Hearing

At 7:48 the mayor opened the Public Hearing regarding the setting of Ad Valorem tax and other revenue resources. With no further comments, the hearing was closed at 7:56 p.m.

Town Fee Schedule

Discussion was held on the Town fee schedule and the need to update several areas of charges that have increased for the Town. Approval was given to prepare a draft ordinance for the next meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Claims warrants and Council minutes

Warrants dated October 21, 2009 #13862 through #13894 in the amount of \$494,386.98 and Payroll warrants dated September 30, 2009 #7814 through #7863 in the amount of \$42,687.73 and October 15, 2009 #7864 through 7866 in the amount of \$1,500.00. Council meeting of October 7, 2009. (m/s Rolfe/McWhorter) Motion carried.

CURRENT PROJECTS

Airport * FAA and State Aviation Funding

The runway and taxiway have been paved, but not striped yet. Meanwhile, the airport remains closed.

Through the fence access and management agreements are currently being reviewed. These agreements are scheduled to be completed before the end of the year.

Possible funds may be made available by April 2010 for completion of the taxiway project through the FAA by ARRA funding or entitlement funds.

Discussion was held on the bulk water exchange for gravel. The foreman noted there has been a cost of \$3,700.00 for electricity and chlorine for the two plus million gallons of water used on the airport project. He would like that amount paid and the remainder could be covered by in-kind gravel.

Sewer Improvement Pre-Construction – PWTF #PR08-951-087

Mayor Wyborney updated the council on the waiver that was requested for from CDBG to construct the force main through the floodway. The Town has been informed that the use of HUD funds in the floodway is being clarified by the Washington DC HUD office. Mr. Wyborney will contact Senator Murray's office to add support. This issue is new to the department and needs to be clarified.

Discussion was held on the DOE grant/loan and the information provided by the Mayor as to DOE looking at reducing the grant/loan amount by the amount the project bids come in for. (m/s Reid/McWhorter) to approve the signing of the grant/loan offer from the Department of Ecology for the Wastewater Treatment Project in the amounts of

Centennial Clean Water Fund Grant \$2,719,099 and Loan of \$1,876,901 at an interest rate of 1.4% for a term of 20 years. Motion carried. It is understood an ordinance will need to be adopted.

US 2 Pedestrian Pathway Operation and Maintenance Agreement

Mr. Wyborne informed the council that he has spoken with WSDOT on the Pedestrian Path project operation and maintenance. Discussion was held on partnering for landscaping.

MAYOR, STAFF, & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council

Council member Lynn McWhorter reported on the IACC Conference she attended.

The striping for parking on Knox Street by the Senior Center was brought up as the Planning Commission will be holding a meeting on a suggested ordinance.

Council approved the liquor license for Wonder Mini Mart.

Clerk/Treasurer

None

Nuisance Director

None

Planning Commission

None

Police

Police Chief Archie Shirley asked permission to support the Halloween Party for children and teens put on by a local family. Mr. Shirley requested the expenditure of \$250.00 in teen activity funds. Council approved the request.

Public Works

Discussion was held regarding installation of a flow meter as there is a need to provide flow readings for DOE.

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

(m/s Rolfe/Reid) to approve Ordinance #496 amending the 2009 budget. Motion carried.

(m/s Rolfe/Reid) to approve Resolution #370 and the Levy Certification adopting the regular property tax levy for 2010. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Wyborne called an executive session at 8:47 to last 15 minutes, for the purpose of selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price. Council resumed at 8:56 p.m.

(m/s Rolfe/Metcalf) to move forward with a contract to purchase right-of-way property for the purpose of ingress and egress in Cadco Addition. Motion carried.

DONATIONS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2009

Ambulance \$50.00 General Donation, Swimming Pool \$70.00 Jim O'Neil

ADJOURNED

(m/s McWhorter/Scheibner) to adjourn the meeting at 8:59. Motion carried.

Carla J. Shirley, Clerk/Treasurer

Robert Wyborney, Mayor