



December 16, 2009

WILBUR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

7:30pm

Town Council of the Town of Wilbur, Lincoln County, Washington met in regular session on December 16, 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, Roy Scheibner, Don Rolfe, Jerry Metcalf and Donald Reid

Staff Present

Police Chief Archie Shirley and Clerk/Treasurer Carla Shirley.

Citizens Present

Steve Randel, Frank Stedman and Wade Magers, Lincoln County Sheriff.

Additions or Corrections to Agenda

Mayor added the Dept. of Commerce Notice of Termination of Washington Department of Commerce Contract Number U10-63200-009.

3/10's of 1% Tax for Criminal Justice

Lincoln County Sheriff Wade Magers presented the proposal of a Public Safety 3/10th of 1% tax which is to be used for police departments, fire departments and contracts toward law enforcement. This tax has been brought before the public two previous times with each time failing the vote. The County has been approached by the Mayor of Harrington to place the proposal on the ballot for a third time. The County Commissioners are seeking support of the tax from the Town's for the tax to have a chance to pass. With this support the Commissioners are asking the Town's to pay a percentage of the cost based on population of placing the tax on the ballot. The Commissioners say the cost is about \$1.00 a ballot. Mr. Magers spoke with the council about how people are shopping in Spokane and paying a higher sales tax which includes this 3/10's percent that is supporting Spokane County. He would like to see the people pay for Lincoln County's protective service in this fashion.

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing – 2009 Budget Amendment

At 7:45 the mayor opened the Public Hearing regarding the amendment of the 2009 budget. Council comment was on clarifying the amendment. There were no citizen comments the hearing was closed at 7:48 p.m.

Citizen Comments

Steve Randel was present to speak with the council in regards to speeding and unsafe turns on the corner of Cliff Ave and Spokane Street. Concerns are with careless driving on the corner and children playing in their yard. This has been an issue for many years. There are tire tracks in the mud on their yard. The council discussed several options including placing stop signs, bollards or painting the corner line. The issue was turned over to the Public Works and Police Department for review. An answer is to be returned to the council within 30 days.

Clarify Size and Style of Headstones in Cemetery per Adopted Resolution #258

Mayor Wyborne informed the council that he has spoken with Jerry Sheffels and Council member Don Rolfe attended a Cemetery Association meeting regarding several headstones placed in the cemetery and several other issues. Mr. Wyborne stated the Cemetery Association wishes to encourage volunteer help at the Cemetery. All volunteers are to check in with Town Hall before performing any volunteer work. As for the town offering a contract for cemetery maintenance, the board is comfortable with the current arrangement. Allowing upright headstones in sections 1 and 2 is being reviewed by the Cemetery Association and leaving section 3 remaining with flat stones. Discussion was held on future use of family headstones as niches by lifting the stone and placing the niches under the stone at ground level. Due to the several areas being reviewed no decisions were made.

3/10's of 1% Tax for Criminal Justice

Council held discussion on the County Commissioners charging for placing the 3/10's of 1% tax on the ballot.

CCS, LLC Cable

The council received information regarding the cable company. The understating is the cable service will remain and be operated by another company.

Railroad Addition Survey

Council member Don Reid spoke with the council regarding the plot correction in Railroad Addition and moving forward with the process for correction. The council agreed with the request and made the decision to set a schedule with the Attorney that will be followed to keep the process going forward in a timely manner.

AWC Retro Contract renewal

(m/s Reid/Rolfe) to approve the AWC Retro Primary Contract for the year 2010. Motion carried.

State Archive Grant

(m/s Reid/Scheibner) to approve the State Archive grant. Motion carried.

Department of Commerce GMA Comprehensive Plan Critical Areas Grant

The Town has received formal notice the Department of Commerce, through the direction of the Governor as a form of addressing the on-going budget deficit, is terminating the contract number U10-63200-009, paying only the costs that occurred prior to December 10, 2009 as stipulated in the "Termination for Convenience" section of

the agreement. The council will send a letter to Don Brigham Plus Associates informing him to stop work as of December 10, 2009 as funding is being terminated.

CONSENT AGENDA

Claims warrants and Council minutes

The council approved warrants dated December 16, 2009 #13969 through #14000 in the amount of \$61,758.27. Ratify claim warrants dated December 9, 2009 #'s 13967 and #13968 in the amount of \$172,774.13. Payroll warrants dated December 15, 2009 #7963 through #7965 in the amount of \$1,500.00 and council meeting minutes of December 2, 2009 and continued meeting of December 3, 2009 were also approved. (m/s Rolfe/McWhorter) Motion carried.

CURRENT PROJECTS

Airport * FAA and State Aviation Funding

Mayor Wyborney updated the council on the progress on the runway and taxiway. The project walk-thru was completed with the noting of the electrical panel being backwards, the papi lights are currently off for safety, need to be installed correctly.

The exchange of gravel for bulk water was discussed with the need to cover the chlorine and electrical costs, which leaves around \$4,000 of which could be exchanged for gravel. Council instructed the Mayor to move forward with the process.

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

The Mayor updated the council on the progress for the sewer treatment plant. The Town has received the permit from the Department of the Army reference # NWS-2009-950.

Invitation for bids has been moved from December 22, 2009 to January 11, 2010.

US 2 Pedestrian Pathway Operations and Maintenance Agreement

A signed maintenance agreement has been received by the Town. Discussion was held on responsibility for snow removal from the bridge and the sidewalks. Research is being conducted.

MAYOR, STAFF, & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor

Mayor Wyborney spoke with the council on the Attorney's update for the annex at the Airport. A research request has been made to the Department of Revenue asking about sales tax.

Mr. Wyborney informed the council that Coffman's Inc. has requested a renewal of their liquor license. No objections were made.

Council

Mr. Scheibner spoke with the council regarding the removal of snow from the bulb outs which lead to discussion of snow plowing.

Mayor Wyborney spoke on the citizen comment he received from Mrs. Rosman on the sidewalk heave by the Post Office. The council requested the Clerk to find the last letter sent to the Rosman's on this subject and resend to them.

The Mayor asked council member Lynn McWhorter what she has decided due to no one running for her position. Ms. McWhorter stated she will remain in the lapsed position for the next two years. Due to a written letter of interest being on file the Mayor requested a letter be sent to the applicant that the position will be filled for two years.

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Ordinance #500

(m/s Rolfe/Scheibner) to approve Ordinance #500 adopting a 2009 Budget Amendment. Motion carried.

ADJOURNED

(m/s McWhorter/Rolfe) to adjourn the meeting at 9:16. Motion carried.

Carla J. Shirley, Clerk/Treasurer

Robert Wyborney, Mayor