

JULY 20, 2021 WILBUR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Town Council of the Town of Wilbur, Lincoln County, Washington opened at 7:01 p.m. on July 20, 2021 at Town Hall by Mayor Erica Hearrean via HEARING IMPAIRED (VOICE) 1-800-833-6384 (TDD/TTY) 1-800-833-6384

Zoom Meeting: https://zoom.us/j/97757848514 or by phone 1-844-855-4444, participant code 1130603

Pledge of Allegiance

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Members present - Mayor Erica Hearrean, Mayor Pro Tem Kent Anderson, Council Members Roy Scheibner, Lynn McWhorter, John Hanon and Nichole Curtis.

Staff Present - Melissa Bulger and Teri Haglin.

Citizens Present -Julie Hill, Frank Stedman, Scott Sundean, Judy Henke, Billie Jo Wheeler, Jeff Kershaw, Lori Kershaw, Tristen Coyne, Serenna Taylor, Christy Wyborney and Craig Haden.

CONSENT AGENDA

Kent Anderson made a motion to approve the following; Payroll check's 25470 - 25471 in the amount of \$2,400.00 dated July 15, 2021. Accounts Payable check's 25472 - 25490 in the amount of \$50,073.36 dated July 20, 2021. Approval of minutes from July 6, 2021 for regular council session. Lynn McWhorter seconded, all approved.

REGULAR SESSION

Citizen comments - No comments in person or via phone/zoom.

NEW BUSINESS

Judy Henke was present to talk about the Town of Wilbur Ambulance. There was an approximate 45 minutes discussion involving Judy Henke, Erica Hearrean, Mayor, Council members and a few citizen comments. A recording of the meeting can be requested from Town Hall through a records request.

Street Vacation Request (Arden) - The petition to move forward with a public hearing was discussed. The petitioner was contacted and stated that they do not want to look into the possibility of a conditional use permit.

Town Nuisances - Update, Clerk/Treasurer, Melissa Bulger spoke with Officer Cuzzetto from the Lincoln County Sheriff's office about the nuisance issues such as RV living. The Officer explained that due to the restrictions of COVID they are not pushing these issues at this time due to them being dismissed by the courts. When moratoriums are removed then we can go back to addressing these issues.

Budget Time - Clerk/Treasurer, Melissa Bulger went over this year's budget schedule. Getting a jump start early will allow us to have more time to fine tune the budget. The first budget meeting will take place on August 3rd at 6pm in the Town Hall Office before the next regular council session.

LocalTel Lease - The new owners of what use to be Odessa Office have sent over a new lease for the town to sign. After reading it over and sending it to the Town Attorney, there are a few items that need to be changed before moving forward with signing. More information to come at the next council meeting.

Water Meters and Updated Software - Clerk/Treasurer, Melissa Bulger explained that the need for new software is here. A quote was given for the Council and Mayor to look over. Without the new software the meter reads will not automatically and the Public Works crew will have to do all of them manually.

FEMA Training - Clerk/Treasurer, Melissa Bulger requested a councilmember to be present at the upcoming August 10th training. The meeting will take place via zoom at 10am. John Hanon volunteered and Lynn McWhorter said she would look into if she can be available.

Swim Pool Discussion - Pool Manager, Teri Haglin spoke with the Mayor and Council about an opportunity for a swim lesson outreach program with residents of Electric City, Coulee Dam, Grand Coulee and Nespelem. This is in the early stage of development and there will be more information to come. Teri has looked at the possibility of opening up evening classes for both this program as well as for those families in Wilbur that are unable to make the morning classes. The last day for the pool to be open this season is August 28th.

Business Licensing Services - Clerk/Treasurer, Melissa Bulger explained the fee schedule for business licensing in Wilbur. The council was split on whether to charge a fee or not. This topic was tabled until the next meeting.

Proposed Policies and Procedures Manual for Wilbur EMS – EMS Coordinator, Michele Rosman was unable to make it to the meeting but said that if there were any questions or concerns to reach out to her directly so we can make any needed changes before approving. Mayor Hearrean also stated that she would like the current EMS crew to have time to read over the Policies and Procedures Manual before a resolution is accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

An updated Project List from the Town Engineer was given to the Council. New items that will be added are a skate park and the ORV park restrooms.

RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE

Resolution 511 - Setting a date for the public hearing for the Arden street vacation request. Kent Anderson made a motion to accept resolution 511, Lynn McWhorter seconded, and all were in favor. Resolution passes.

Resolution 512 - Adopting a fee schedule for business licensing. Tabled until next meeting.

DONATIONS

\$40.00 to the Wilbur Ambulance Fund in memory of Larry Clark Sr. \$100.00 to the Wilbur Ambulance Fund from Sally Rux.

MAYOR, STAFF & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Erica Hearrean spoke about the meeting with the Department of Health. She and Michele Rosman met with a Department of Health representative to go over the recent complaints that were filed against the Wilbur Ambulance; they are working on a response to DOH along with records of each incident. Roy Scheibner and Kent Anderson would like to see the siren at the Fire Station used again. John Hanon wanted to know about dust control, possible options for the remainder of 2021 is to lay down the gravel/concrete that is out at the sewer plant to see if that would help. Dust control for next year will be discussed during the street budget.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Lynn McWhorter made a motion to adjourn, John Hanon seconded, all approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:46pm.

Melissa Bulger, Clerk/Treasurer

Mayor, Erica Hearrean