

AUGUST 17, 2021
WILBUR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Town Council of the Town of Wilbur, Lincoln County, Washington opened at
7:00 p.m. on August 17, 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/87674185790> 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 and John Hanon. Nichole Curtis was absent.

Staff Present - Melissa Bulger and David Bjorson

Citizens Present - Julie Hill, Mackenzie Arden and Lance Berkey.

CONSENT AGENDA

Kent Anderson made a motion to approve the following;

Payroll check's 25521 - 25522 in the amount of \$2,400.00 dated August 13, 2021.

Accounts Payable check's 25523 - 25546 in the amount of \$30,225.88 dated August 17, 2021.

Voided check #25520 for EFT setup through Optum.

Approval of minutes from August 3, 2021 for regular council session.

Lynn McWhorter seconded, all approved.

REGULAR SESSION

Citizen comments - Mackenzie Arden asked Council and the Mayor if they would be ok with the Wilbur Senior Class putting on an event in October. The event would include a parade, hay bale maze, beer garden and more. All councilmembers and Mayor agreed that it was a good idea and there was no opposition.

NEW BUSINESS

Lincoln County Incident Report - Councilman, John Hanon read the report.

Long-Term Disability - Clerk/Treasurer, Melissa Bulger explained that there are two options for the new state mandate. The first is to pay the state directly and the second is to join the AWC Trust option. With the passage of HB 1087 that established the WA Cares Fund, the town is required to collect premiums from employee's payroll at a rate of .58%. These funds are remitted to the Employment Security Department (ESD) starting January 1, 2022. Council tabled the decision until next meeting to allow more time to research.

American Rescue Plan Act Funds - The results of the recent survey placed in the Wilbur Register and on the Town's Facebook account were discussed. There were 8 votes. One vote was for an option that would not be allowed due to restrictions on the funds. The rest of the votes were for the option to invest in the Town's water or sewer infrastructure.

ORV Park Discussion - Councilwoman, Lynn McWhorter talked about what had taken place when Jacob from the Department of Ecology came out to assess the damages to the flood plains surrounding the track. Lynn also explained that the town has chosen to mitigate the damages by replanting seed and placing a fence to keep citizens out of the wetlands.

LocalTel Lease - Council was given a copy of the final lease after changes had been made by the Town Attorney, David Bingaman. Lynn McWhorter made a motion to accept and sign the lease, Kent Anderson seconded, all approved.

Personnel Policy Update - Council members will be given a copy of the updates before the next council meeting to allow time to read and ask questions.

Foreman's July Report - Foreman, David Bjorson read aloud the July report.

Surplus Bids - Two bids were received and opened by Mayor, Erica Hearrean. Both bids were for the Ford Ranger Pickup. The winning bid was for \$2,000.00 by Nathan Wheeler. The other bid was for \$801.00, neither bid met the minimum allotted amount. Council and the Foreman discussed whether to accept the higher bid or not. Lynn McWhorter made a motion to accept the \$2,000.00 bid, Kent Anderson seconded, all approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Siren Update - Council discussed not using the siren. It is a viable option for later.

Council looked over an updated project list provided by the Town Engineer.

RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE

Resolution 517 - Adopting EMS Policies and Procedures. Roy Scheibner made a motion to adopt resolution 517 as written, Lynn McWhorter seconded, all approved. Resolution passes.

Resolution 518 - Acceptance of Road Products, Inc bid for airport improvement project. Kent Anderson made a motion to accept resolution 518, John Hanon seconded, all approved. Resolution passes.

DONATIONS

None

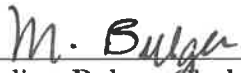
MAYOR, STAFF & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Erica Hearrean advised council that a response to the Department of Health has been completed and she is waiting for a response. Also, she was able to find a property owner that is in the Wilbur flood plain that is willing to work with FEMA to request a reassessment in Wilbur and she is also with the Airport Board to find a low interest loan to allow for construction of a pilot's lounge that will include installing water and sewer that is needed.


Council set a date for the Capital Facilities Plan and Street Plan public hearing. It will take place on September 21st at 7pm.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Lynn McWhorter made a motion to adjourn, Kent Anderson seconded, all approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.



Melissa Bulger, Clerk/Treasurer



Mayor, Erica Hearrean
PRO TEM, KENT ANDERSON