

MARCH 15, 2022  
**WILBUR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

Town Council of the Town of Wilbur, Lincoln County, Washington opened at  
7:00 p.m. on March 15, 2022, at Town Hall by Mayor Erica Hearrean via

**HEARING IMPAIRED (VOICE) 1-800-833-6384 (TDD/TTY) 1-800-833-6384**

Zoom Meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83592407897> or by phone 1-844-855-4444, participant code 1130603

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**CALL TO ORDER**

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

Members absent - Kent Anderson

Staff Present – David Bjorson, Phin Haglin and Melissa Bulger

Citizens Present – Julie Hill, Officer Cuzzetto

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Roy Scheibner made a motion to approve the following.

Payroll check's 25869 – 25879 in the amount of \$28,084.42 dated February 28, 2022.

Accounts Payable check's 25880 -25886 in the amount of \$23,975.47 dated March 1, 2022.

Payroll check's 25887-25888 in the amount of \$2,500.00 dated March 15, 2022.

Accounts Payable check's 25889-25907 in the amount of \$46,929.91 dated March 15, 2022.

Approval of minutes from February 15, 2022, for regular council session.

Nichole Curtis seconded, all approved.

**REGULAR SESSION**

Citizen comments – None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Lincoln County Sheriff's Office February Stats – Mayor Hearrean read the Stats. Officer Cuzzetto answered a few questions that Council had.

Engineer for 2022-2023 – The Mayor and Council all agreed to continue with Century West Engineering.

New Utility Vehicle – Foreman, David Bjorson advised that the new John Deere arrived.

Goose Creek Fund – At a previous meeting Roy Scheibner asked about using the REET Tax that had been allocated to help mitigate the flood plain. Melissa investigated the request and advised Council on the restrictions placed on such funds. She explained that the funds could be shifted to another fund but there would be steps to take before that could be done, first the Capital Facilities Plan would need to be changed in the fall for the following year. Second, they would need to amend the ordinance that covers this fund. This topic will be discussed later closer to the budget.

Airport match funds (Apron Project) – Mayor Hearrean advised that changes had been made to the match funds required, originally it was approximately \$10,000, now it has the potential to be less.

Discussion on RV living ordinance – Nuisance Director, Phin Haglin explained the reason for the needed discussion. Melissa advised that a resident had turned in and paid the fee to request a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to allow living in an RV for approximately five years. Phin went over the pros in allowing such a request. Council voiced their concerns. Mayor Hearrean advised that she and Melissa had spoken with the town attorney earlier that day and he would be looking into what it would take to even allow the CUP, which

may include amending the current ordinance. This subject was tabled until the next meeting to allow for more information from the attorney.

Chamber Insurance – Melissa advised Council that Wilbur’s Chamber of Commerce had a large increase in their insurance, and they are struggling to pay the new rate. Melissa explained what she had heard from the insurance agent and how helping Chamber to keep their own insurance would benefit the Town, specifically when it comes to events. Council said they have no problem budgeting more money for Chamber this year as there is money in the tourism fund, they wanted to know how much is needed. Melissa will reach out to the insurance agent and Chamber to get a figure, more to come at a future meeting.

ORV Park Board – Nichole Curtis advised that she would like to get a meeting together soon. Melissa stated that we need to get a list of current members who would like to stay on the board and if there any open positions. Melissa and Nichole will work on putting together a meeting between the ORV Park Board members and Council.

February Foreman’s Report – David Bjorson read the report.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Update on Avista – Melissa spoke with an Avista Representative get the specific requirements for bulb and she advised on how few there are to purchase. Melissa also explained that Avista is checking with their engineers and construction department on what our options would be for the poles on main street since all their metal poles require underground wiring. Melissa asked the town engineer Steve Nelson to see if he knows of any grants out there that would help with the new increased cost if we were to switch to LED. This topic will continue as we learn new information from Avista.

### **RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE**

None

### **DONATIONS**

\$60 in Memory of Leona Gyorfi and Colleen Novotney to the Swimming Pool.

### **MAYOR, STAFF & COMMITTEE REPORTS**

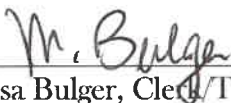
Mayor Hearrean gave an update regarding the Sundeane Lawsuit, the next court hearing had been moved back from March to May 6<sup>th</sup>. She also asked Council if they are ok with allotting \$50 per payday to Phin Haglin to offset the cost of fuel in his personal vehicle for doing Town work.

John Hanon asked about grading the roads, David advised that the restrictions were just lifted, and they will be working on those roads over the next week or so.

Phin Haglin would like to discuss the charges for a non-transport ambulance run at a future meeting.

### **MEETING ADJOURNED**

Lynn McWhorter made a motion to adjourn, John Hanon seconded, all approved. Council meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm.



Melissa Bulger, Clerk/Treasurer



Mayor, Erica Hearrean