# August 2, 2022 WILBUR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Town Council of the Town of Wilbur, Lincoln County, Washington opened at 7:00 p.m. on August 2, 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/i/81684063965 or by phone 1-844-855-4444, participant code 1130603

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Opened at 7:00pm - Hayes Variance Request, no comments, or concerns. Utility Trailer Bids, no bids received. Closed public hearing at 7:02pm

# REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING CALL TO ORDER, began at 7:02pm

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

Members absent - None

Staff Present - Melissa Bulger and Courtney Ruiz

Citizens Present - Julie Hill, Cathy Hayes, Frank Stedman, Marci Best and Officer Mallon.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Joel Krause made a motion to approve the following.

Payroll check's 26129 - 26149 in the amount of \$42,016.62 dated July 29, 2022.

Accounts Payable check's 26150 -26160 in the amount of \$39,553.59 dated August 2, 2022.

Approval of minutes from July 19, 2022, for regular council session.

Nichole Curtis seconded, all approved.

### **REGULAR SESSION**

Citizen comments - Frank Stedman, wanted to discuss pickleball court.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Doxies Lease - Owner Marci Best was present to discuss the new lease. She also asked the Town if they would consider selling the property. Melissa Bulger explained that may require a public bidding process, she will look into it to verify. Marci had no other changes she would like to make.

Lincoln County Sheriff's Office July Stats - Officer Mallon was present to read the stats, he also gave Council an update on the theft case.

Economic Development Council – Mayor Hearrean asked for the opinion and thoughts on continuing to be part of the Lincoln County EDC. After Margie moved to a different job, there has been a lack of communication. With membership fees continuing to rise, we need to look at what the Town benefits from the EDC and if it is worth the cost.

Wilbur Town Budget Season - Mayor Hearrean advised Council of the up coming budget season that begins at 6pm on August 16<sup>th</sup> before the next council meeting and will cover the Capital Facilities Plan. Budget meetings are held until approximately the beginning of December.

Charges for nuisances to utility billing - Melissa Bulger advised council that she and the deputy clerk, Courtney Ruiz have done some research and found that the Town can place nuisance abatement fees on a property

utility billing. There are two properties at this time that have failed to abide by Town ordinances and have been given multiple notifications; these have been billed.

New Airport Hangar Lease - Council was given a copy of this new lease to take home and read over before the next meeting so that it may be discussed.

Sunrise Disposal, rate increase and contract – Mayor Hearrean advised that the Town received notification of a cost-of-living increase requested by our garbage collection company. They are requesting an eight percent increase, which they estimate at an average of seventy cents per customer. The current contract is up for negotiations and renewal next spring. The owner Dion Gotti has asked to be on the next council agenda to address the Mayor and Council with information on a new contract and why the rate increase is needed.

Revisit Pickleball Court Request - Mayor Hearrean explained that she had made a mistake in not tabling this topic from last meeting to allow more time to research the effects on local residents of removing the basketball hoops. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided that Eric Wyborney should be called and asked to hold off on removing the hoops until a resolution is found. Courtney Ruiz had an idea to possibly put in a new basketball court in the Town park, she will get together some pricing before the next meeting.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Town Park Playground - Melissa has put together a rough draft for a five-year plan that will include both the swimming pool and Town park.

Update On Grants - The RCO (Recreation and Conservation Office) grant for the Town park restrooms has been approved, Melissa and an engineer joined the last RCO meeting where the board members voted to allow for the cost increase. This allows the lowest bid from J.M. Pacific Construction in the amount of \$196,965,00 to be awarded. Dan Remmick from Century West Engineering was available for questions via zoom. Lynn McWhorter made a motion to accept the bid from J.M. Pacific Construction, Nichole Curtis seconded, all approved. Notice of Award was passed. Dan will ask the awardee when their schedule allows for them to begin the process.

# RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE

Resolution 536 - Lynn McWhorter made a motion to approve resolution 536 as written, allocating ARPA funds, Nichole Curtis seconded, all approved. Resolution passed.

Resolution 537 - Lynn McWhorter made a motion to approve resolution 537 as written, amending the Financial Management Policy to include EFT control procedures, Nichole Curtis seconded, all approved. Resolution passed.

#### **DONATIONS**

None

# MAYOR, STAFF & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Roy Scheibner was happy to see the potholes fixed in front of the gas station. Lynn McWhorter expressed her appreciation of the work the seasonal workers have recently done on the golf course road; she had stopped to tell them what a good job they were doing. Melissa voiced her concerns and those of community members regarding the Community Pool Foundation discussion at the last meeting.

# **MEETING ADJOURNED**

Lynn McWhorter made a motion to adjourn, Roy Scheibner seconded, all approved. Council meeting adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Melissa Bulger, Clerk Treasurer

Mayor, Erica Hearrean