

June 6, 2023 WILBUR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Town Council of the Town of Wilbur, Lincoln County, Washington opened at 7:00 p.m. on June 6, 2023, 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/87454518598 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, Joel Krause, and Nichole Curtis.

Members absent - None

Staff Present - Melissa Bulger and Phin Haglin

Citizens Present - Julie Hill and Frank Stedman

CONSENT AGENDA

Lynn McWhorter made a motion to approve the following Payroll checks 26693 – 26707 in the amount of \$21,797.91 dated May 22, 2023. Payroll checks 26708 – 26720 in the amount of \$12,915.02 dated June 5, 2023. Accounts Payable checks 26721 – 26739 in the amount of \$64,055.99 dated June 6, 2023. Approval of minutes from May 16, 2023, for regular council session. Nichole Curtis seconded, all approved.

REGULAR SESSION

Citizen comments - A letter from Stephanie Wells regarding the Dollar General store was shared.

NEW BUSINESS

Town Financials mid-year check in - Council and the Mayor will take the 31-page financials report home to look over and any questions or concerns will be addressed at the next council meeting.

Lincoln Co. Sheriff's Dept May Stats - An officer with the Sheriff's Dept was present to read the stats and answer any questions or concerns.

Vacate Street Discussion - Kristen Heidenthal was present with pictures of the area that she would like to vacate. After a short discussion council agreed to let her move forward with the full process.

Sewer Lift Station Generator - Melissa shared with council and the mayor an email from Western States advising that parts for the generator at the main lift station are becoming obsolete. A quote for a replacement was included. Council agreed to look into getting more bids/price quotes. Roy Scheibner suggested covering the cost of a new generator out of the sewer fund rather than the equipment fund.

RCO Visit, potential next grant project – Melissa shared information about a visit with Jesse from the Recreation and Conservation Office this past week and how pleased he is with the new park restrooms and sidewalks. There is a new grant opening up soon that could potentially help with maintenance items around the park, specifically rehabbing the park bridge and updating the electrical. More information to come at future meetings.

New restroom vandalism - A recent incident that was caught on camera was discussed.

EV Station - An email from Melanie Rose with Avista Utilities was shared with council. The proposed location is the gravel parking lot next to Doxies, which is currently leased. The owner of Doxies, Marci Best has expressed

interest in the possibility of having the charging station on the lot. Questions regarding cost to the town will be passed onto Avista. Tabled until the next meeting.

Town Roads - A short discussion on prioritizing road work during the next budget season now that the street fund is looking better.

OLD BUSINESS

Goose Creek flood mitigation options - Melissa gave a short update. The possibility of building a concrete culvert is very slim due to the regulations and paperwork.

Temporary Public Works Crewmember - no applications have been received. Melissa did advise that the wrong wage was advertised, and a new ad will be in this week's paper.

Cannabis Zoning Ordinance - public hearing reminder set for June 20th.

RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE

None

DONATIONS

Mayor Hearrean read the donations, \$70 to the Pool Fund in memory of Sandra Eagle and \$75 to the Cemetery Fund in memory of Sandra Eagle.

MAYOR, STAFF & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Phin Haglin gave a short update on the ambulance and asked council about giving an incentive pay for those EMT's that are willing to stay home for certain holidays rather than leaving town or partaking in drinking. Council is willing to look into this option.

John Hanon expressed interest in becoming a driver for the ambulance and would be willing to help out on the holidays.

Nichole Curtis stated that she was told by Scott Sundean that state laws have changed in regard to the wetlands and buffer zones, Melissa had received emails about changes, and she will look into it before the next council meeting. Joel Krause asked about the Big Bend Golf Course driveway.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Lynn McWhorter made a motion to adjourn, John Hanon seconded, all approved, meeting adjourned at 8:08pm.

Melissa Bulger, Clerk

Erica Hearrean, Mayor