

August 15, 2023 WILBUR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Town Council of the Town of Wilbur, Lincoln County, Washington opened at 7:00 p.m. on August 15, 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/i/87069768515 or by phone 1-844-855-4444, participant code 1130603

BUDGET MEETING – opened at 6:01pm and closed at 6:50pm. Capital Facilities Plan, Pool & Park Plan and new water meter options were discussed. Copies were sent home with Council to read before the next budget meeting. Joel Krause was absent from the budget meeting.

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, Kevin Hennessey, Jim Jones and Jerry Nichols.

CONSENT AGENDA

Lynn McWhorter made a motion to approve the following Payroll checks 26877 - 26895 in the amount of \$17,141.84 dated August 14, 2023. Accounts Payable checks 26896 - 26914 in the amount of \$25,912.77 dated August 15, 2023. Approval of minutes from August 1, 2023, for regular council session. Nichole Curtis seconded, all approved.

REGULAR SESSION

Citizen comments - Jim Jones spoke about the options for new water meters.

NEW BUSINESS

Installation cost for new generator. The additional cost required to install the new generator was shared.

Department of Ecology - An email regarding problems with well mw5 was shared with Council. The DOE asked for this issue to be fixed so that testing can be done more often. Melissa has been in contact with Casie Monge to find a solution on how to fix the problem. More to come at future meetings.

Bids for three different water meter options were sent home with Council to look over. Council was asked to pick the top two to present at a future meeting.

An Addendum to Doxie's Lease was reviewed. Melissa informed Council that the Owners had signed and returned the addendum earlier that day.

Foreman's Report & Sewer plant part – a copy of July's foreman's report was shared. A price quote for a sewer plant part was shared. The cost of the part is \$11,850.00 plus tax and shipping.

Melissa shared that the Town has received an official resignation from the current Town Foreman, David Bjorson. Both the Foreman's position and a full-time crewmember position will be advertised.

OLD BUSINESS

Avista - Kevin Hennessey from Avista Utilities was present to discuss the proposed agreement to construct and maintain an EV Charging Station. Council asked a few questions and reviewed the agreement. The only pending information that is needed before moving forward would be the level of liability insurance that the town holds. Melissa has sent the information over the Casey Haden, Insurance Broker and is waiting to hear back.

RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE

Resolution 549 - Lynn McWhorter made a motion to approve resolution 549 to purchase a new lift station generator as written, Nichole Curtis seconded, all approved. Resolution passed.

Ordinance 613 - Lynn McWhorter made a motion to approve Ordinance 613 amending sewer loan charge, as written, John Hanon seconded the motion, all approved. Ordinance passed.

Ordinance 614 - Lynn McWhorter made a motion to approve Ordinance 614 amending water additional fees, as written, Nichole Curtis seconded the motion, all approved. Ordinance passed.

Resolution 550 - Nichole Curtis made a motion to approve Resolution 550 approving the EV Equipment Agreement with Avista Utilities, John Hanon seconded the motion, all approved. Resolution passed.

DONATIONS

None

MAYOR. STAFF & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Hearrean gave an update on the Health Focused Forum and the TIB grant has been submitted for the 6-year street plan. Phin Haglin advised that the Wilbur Ambulance has now completed 91 calls for the year, with out Ambulance responding 96% of the time.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Lynn McWhorter made a motion to adjourn, Nichole Curtis seconded, all approved, meeting adjourned at 8:22pm.

Melissa Bulger, Clerk

Erica Hearrean, Mayor