

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF WORLAND

November 3, 2015

A regular meeting of the City Council of Worland, Wyoming convened in the Council Chambers in City Hall at 7:00 p.m. on November 3, 2015. Mayor Dave Duffy presided and the Councilmembers in attendance were: Keith Gentzler, Bud Callaham, Mandy Horath, Loresa Brinkerhoff, Dennis Koch, Michele Rideout, Lisa Fernandez and Marcus Sanchez. Also present were: Chief of Police, Gabe Elliott; City Attorney, Kent Richins; Superintendent of Public Works, Brian Burky; Airport Manager, Lynn Murdoch; City Engineer Representative, Mike Donnell and Clerk/Treasurer, Tracy Glanz. Councilmember Jim Gill was absent.

There were thirteen (13) visitors present for this meeting of the City Council.

Superintendent of Public Works Brian Burky led the Council and visitors in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Duffy declared a quorum present with Councilmember Jim Gill excused and asked for review and approval of the agenda.

Motion: to approve the agenda.
By: Councilmember Fernandez.
Second by: Councilmember Koch.
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: to approve the minutes of the October 20, 2015 regular meeting.
By: Councilmember Callaham.
Second by: Councilmember Horath.
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: to approve all vouchers and authorize payment for payroll, utility charges, refunds for City Services, recording fees, postage and other miscellaneous items, during the month of November, before normal City Council approval on the first Tuesday of December and approve the Consent Agenda with Warrant Register for period ending October 2015 and Payroll Vouchers for periods ending October 25, 2015 and October 31, 2015; WARRANT REGISTER - \$719,228.45; PAYROLL 10/25/15 - \$61,902.95; PAYROLL 10/31/15 - \$3,503.65.
By: Councilmember Callaham.
Second by: Councilmember Fernandez.
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Duffy presented a Proclamation that acknowledged individual citizens that "go the extra mile" in personal effort, volunteerism and service to the community and designated November 1, 2015 as Extra Mile Day in Worland. Residents Sheila & Bill Glover were recognized and commended for donating their time to update the cemetery records database and "going the extra mile".

Brian Lamb with the Green Hills Golf Course (Country Club) Board referred to a letter that was delivered last week and wanted to let the Council know that the Board is willing to work

with any committees from the city going forward. The Board is concerned about the welfare of the golf course as it relates to the welfare of the city, as it is a positive attribute to the City of Worland. The Board welcomes questions for more detailed information but did not come with a formal presentation. The Council took the comments under advisement; there are a number of things to consider and resolve. No decision was made.

Ordinance #828 was presented for third and final reading:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WORLAND, WASHAKIE COUNTY, WYOMING, PERTAINING TO THE SANITATION AND SPRAY FEE SCHEDULES BY AMENDING SECTION 11-16 OF THE WORLAND CITY CODE. ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith ARE HEREBY REPEALED.

City Attorney Kent Richins re-iterated that this Ordinance increases the sanitation fees as a direct result of the new tipping fees at the Landfill. The city should know within a year or so if our fees are appropriate and could make adjustments in the future either with an increase or decrease to the rates.

Motion: to approve Ordinance #828 on third and final reading.

By: Councilmember Callaham.

Second by: Councilmember Gentzler.

Vote: Members voting AYE: Callaham, Horath, Fernandez, Duffy, Koch, Brinkerhoff, Rideout, Gentzler; Members voting NAY: Sanchez; Members ABSTAINING: None; the motion passed by a vote of 8-1-0.

Ordinance #829 was presented for third and final reading:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WORLAND, WASHAKIE COUNTY, WYOMING, PERTAINING TO THE SEWER RATE AND FEE SCHEDULE BY AMENDING SECTION 23-63(A) OF THE WORLAND CITY CODE. ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith ARE HEREBY REPEALED.

Motion: to approve Ordinance #829 on third and final reading.

By: Councilmember Koch.

Second by: Councilmember Callaham.

Vote: Members voting AYE: Callaham, Horath, Fernandez, Duffy, Koch, Brinkerhoff, Rideout, Gentzler; Members voting NAY: Sanchez; Members ABSTAINING: None; the motion passed by a vote of 8-1-0.

Mayor Duffy requested volunteers to be on a committee to look at various properties that are for sale for the purpose of remodeling an existing building on one of the properties or building a new city shop. The committee should consist of the Superintendent of Public Works, City Engineer, Water/Wastewater Supervisor, Streets Supervisor, Shop Supervisor and at least three (3) members of the Council. Councilmembers Gill, Sanchez and Koch volunteered to be on the committee.

A voting delegate is needed for the WAM Winter Conference in Cheyenne on February 17th through the 19th.

Motion: to appoint Mayor Duffy as voting delegate and Clerk/Treasurer Glanz as alternate voting delegate.

By: Councilmember Horath.

Second by: Councilmember Callaham.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Airport Manager Lynn Murdoch reported that Great Lakes Airlines (GLA) is requesting an exemption to the definition of Commuter Operation to allow GLA to operate under Part 135 and Part 121 regulations. This will help eliminate the pilot shortage created under Part 121 and allow between nine (9) and nineteen (19) seat airplanes to be used to provide Essential Air Service to small communities including Worland. GLA is looking for community support through completion of a form letter and/or comments through an FAA website. Mayor Duffy encouraged all Councilmembers to review the exemption request and comment on the website.

Motion: to support and authorize the Mayor to sign the exemption request for Great Lakes Airlines.

By: Councilmember Callaham.

Second by: Councilmember Koch.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

The City of Cody is hosting the WAM Convention in June, 2016 and is requesting financial support and volunteers to help at the convention from members in WAM Region 3 which includes the City of Worland. Clerk/Treasurer Tracy Glanz recommended the city donate \$1,500.00 to \$3,000.00 to help pay for one of the breaks at the convention. Discussion followed.

Motion: to approve up to and including the expenditure of \$3,000.00 to the City of Cody to support the WAM Convention in June, 2016.

By: Councilmember Callaham.

Second by: Councilmember Horath.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Councilmember Gentzler asked if we had determined how much it would cost to use other landfill facilities yet. Superintendent of Public Works Brian Burky stated that he had looked at landfill fees in Idaho, Montana and northwest Wyoming and the Landfill is at the low end of the range with fees based on tonnage. A rough estimate would be from \$20.00 to \$100.00 per ton not including transportation costs. Councilmember Gentzler asked that these numbers be put into writing and that we look into the transportation costs to transfer refuse to Casper and/or Billings. The city may be able to get information from Waste Management Systems on transportation costs and could be looking at \$60.00 per ton with transportation. Councilmember Gentzler felt that the city needs to be able to justify to the citizens of Worland the increase to sanitation fees by looking into any and all options available. Discussion followed about the cost to purchase a compacting unit, build a transfer station and hire a contractor to transport refuse to a regional facility vs. the per ton fees the city is paying currently. It was noted that the current fee based on tonnage is more in line with other landfill tipping fees vs. the fee per cubic yard. The city is currently paying approximately \$3.00 per truck to weigh the trucks at Big Horn Co-op. The optimal solution would be to retain the landfill here and make it

a regional landfill where smaller towns could come to Worland. Ordinance #828 allows for 5% of the base rate to be allocated to recycling; recycling and composting are important options to work on. Tori Dietz has offered to assist the city in looking for grant monies to help with recycling costs. The city may have to consider using rollouts and give discounts to customers who recycle. Discussion followed; the less the city takes to the landfill the better off we will be and the longer the landfill will last. Superintendent of Public Works Burky will work on getting the information requested.

Superintendent of Public Works Brian Burky informed the Council that the city is working with the Extension Office on a composting pilot project at Newell Sargent Park and will try a couple different methods. Water/Wastewater Supervisor Gary Gerber received the George Michele Award for Outstanding Utility Management from Wyoming Water Quality and Pollution Control Association. The crew fixed a small water main leak at Sweet 16. The city is working on the possibility of extending the sewer main at the Fairgrounds through a cooperative agreement. Superintendent of Public Works Burky has been working with the County to coordinate plowing and maintenance through the winter on Washakie Avenue and proposed entering into a one year road maintenance agreement at a cost of \$3,000.00 to \$5,000.00. The County would submit an invoice reflecting hours worked during the term of the agreement. This would benefit the residents and the City; City Attorney Richins endorsed the proposal.

Motion: to approve entering into a one (1) year road maintenance agreement with Washakie County for snow plowing and road maintenance on Washakie Avenue at a cost not to exceed \$5,000.00.

By: Councilmember Horath.

Second by: Councilmember Callaham.

Vote: Members voting AYE: Callaham, Horath, Fernandez, Duffy, Koch, Brinkerhoff, Rideout, Gentzler; Members voting NAY: Sanchez; Members ABSTAINING: None; the motion passed by a vote of 8-1-0.

Snow removal this winter will be a priority; new equipment has been ordered and should be here within the next few weeks. Bids will be opened for two (2) used dump trucks at the next council meeting. Superintendent of Public Works Burky requested permission to purchase a gator utility vehicle for use at the cemetery and parks. This would be paid for with monies saved on the purchase of the loader and artic shark under this budget. Discussion followed.

Motion: to approve the purchase of a gator utility vehicle with monies saved from equipment purchases with a reallocation of funding from streets to parks and/or cemetery.

By: Councilmember Koch.

Second by: Councilmember Gentzler.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

City Engineer Representative Mike Donnell informed the Council that a certificate of substantial completion has been issued for the multi-phase project with final completion within 45 days from October 24th. In regards to the landfill, the State did an integrated solid waste plan for each area around the state, our area included Washakie, Park, Big Horn and Hot Springs Counties. City Engineer Representative Donnell has a copy of the study which should have costs for hauling of refuse and transfer.

Airport Manager Lynn Murdoch stated that the city is working on the possibility of extending the sewer main line at the airport to accommodate future hangars at a cost of approximately \$7,000.00. The Wildlife Hazard Assessment at the airport is complete and will be included in the Airport Master Plan.

Chief of Police Gabe Elliott reported that the Parade of Lights is scheduled for November 27th starting at 6:00 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Duffy asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

By: Councilmember Horath.

Second by: Councilmember Fernandez.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

David M. Duffy, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tracy A. Glanz, Clerk/Treasurer