REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF WORLAND
January 16, 2018

A regular meeting of the City Council of Worland, Wyoming convened in the Council Chambers in City Hall at 7:00 p.m. on January 16, 2018. Mayor Gill presided and the Councilmembers in attendance were Keith Gentzler, Mandy Horath, Dennis Koch, Lisa Fernandez, Gary Gerber, Christy Schneider and Loresa Brinkerhoff (via telephone). Also present were: Chief of Police, Gabe Elliott; City Attorney, Kent Richins; Airport Manager, Lynn Murdoch; Superintendent of Public Works, Brian Burky; City Engineer Representative, Mike Donnell and Clerk/Treasurer, Tracy Glanz. Councilmembers Mike Neufer and Michele Rideout were absent.

There were seven (7) visitors present for this meeting of the City Council.

Councilmember Keith Gentzler led the Council and Visitors in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Gill declared a Quorum present with Councilmembers Neufer and Rideout excused and asked for review and approval of the agenda.

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

The minutes of the January 2, 2018 regular meeting stand approved as published.

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 January, before normal City Council approval on the first Tuesday of February and approve the Consent Agenda with Council Work Session Minutes of January 8, 2018 and Payroll Voucher for the period ending December 31, 2017; PAYROLL 12/31/17 - $62,151.24.
By: Councilmember Gentzler.
Second by: Councilmember Koch.
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Gill welcomed Representative Mike Greear and asked him to give an update on the important issues coming up at the next legislative session. Rep. Greear reminded everyone that he is always available, by either e-mail or telephone. The upcoming legislative session is a budget session; the legislature will continue to work on trimming the state budget with the third year of downturn in Wyoming's economy. The latest CREG Report is positive and projects additional income due to an increase in sales tax revenue attributed to internet sales tax and increased oil and gas activity across the state. According to the CREG Report, there should be approximately $130 million more for this biennium. However, the state is still looking at a $600 million dollar loss in education funding. There is a strong consensus among legislators that no new taxes will be implemented this year. There is some discussion about a statewide lodging tax and a gross receipts tax on retail sales for big box stores. The legislature is trying to hold the rainy day fund to a ten to eleven year burn rate, hopefully the economy downturn will not last that long. There is discussion about using the public purpose investment amendment out of the permanent mineral trust fund, which allows a percentage to be used for public improvement, but it has to be a loan program. A bill has been drafted that would provide two funding sources, one for enhancement projects and the other for roads

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and storm sewers with this amendment. The money will be allocated based on population. The downside of this bill would be taking the money out of the permanent mineral trust fund for twenty-year loans reducing the capital gains in the fund. The Management Council has voted to move forward with this bill. City Attorney Kent Richins asked if the legislature is going to deal with the half-mile zone this year; Rep. Greear stated that this is being discussed in the corporations committee. This bill concerns the City as we are trying to Grow Worland and any bill that eliminates the half-mile zone curbs city growth. Discussion followed. Rep. Greear informed the Council that he had not heard any objection to continuing the $105 million direct distribution to local government; the legislators would like to leave the funding formula alone. Mayor Gill stated that we are going to have to find ways to generate money for local government. Rep. Greear responded that a suggestion has been made to change the sales tax formula distribution; however, advocates of that change live in higher populated areas and smaller communities could suffer. Mayor Gill thanked Rep. Greear for coming and let everyone know that Senator Agar planned to attend but came down with the flu.

Mayor Gill asked Gary Wantulok to introduce himself to the Council as an appointee to the Worland Community Center Complex (WCCC) Joint Powers Board, for the City of Worland. Mr. Wantulok stated that he has lived in Worland for about eight years and works at SBW Associates as a CPA. Mayor Gill thanked Mr. Wantulok for volunteering to be on the WCCC Joint Powers Board.

Clerk/Treasurer Tracy Glanz presented Resolution #2018-1:

A RESOLUTION ALLOWING FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF WORLAND, WASHAKIE COUNTY, WYOMING FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2017 TO JUNE 30, 2018.

BE IT RESOLVED, that an amendment be made to the following line items for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018:

GENERAL FUND		
10-58000-910	Police Department Vehicles	$ 4,000.00 DB
10-68000-295	General Facility Expenses	$ 4,000.00 CR

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the City of Worland that the amendments to the budget through Resolution in accordance with Wyoming State Statute 16-4-113 be adopted as the Official Budget for the City of Worland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

DATED this 16th day of January 2018.

James R. Gill, Mayor

ATTEST:
Tracy A. Glanz, Clerk/Treasurer

Motion: to approve Resolution #2018-1.
By: Councilmember Fernandez.
Second by: Councilmember Gerber.
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Airport Manager Lynn Murdoch reported that the new broom broke down again after it was fixed and put back together; the old broom is still working and in use.

Clerk/Treasurer Glanz stated that she will not be at the next Council

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meeting on February 6, 2018 and asked that Council contact Deputy Clerk Norma Homan with any questions on the agenda. The Public Hearing for transfer of a liquor license will be on Friday, January 26, 2018 at 5:15 p.m.

City Engineer Representative Mike Donnell informed the Council that the DEQ issued permits for two water/sewer construction projects; work will start weather permitting. After discussions with a representative from the State Land and Investment Board (SLIB), a recommendation from SLIB staff will be made to the Board to award the City of Worland $500,000.00 towards the Culbertson Project, approximately half of what was requested in our application. This amount would take care of the design and permitting for both phases plus part of the project construction. Mayor Gill thanked all who worked on the SLIB application. Councilmember Horath commented that it was good to see street projects finally getting done. City Engineer Representative Donnell stated that the 15th Street Project should start within the next few weeks with $200,000.00 from one cent general purpose tax revenues.

Superintendent of Public Works Brian Burky reported that the three-phase project that includes 15th Street and water main replacement behind Bower Avenue would start on Monday if the weather holds. There will be an open house on Thursday January 18, 2018 from 5:00-6:00 p.m. for residents affected by the water main replacement behind Bower Avenue. The responses on the request for proposal on storm sewer backflow prevention will be in before the next council meeting. The crew repaired a water line break near 16th Street in the alley and continue to haul snow out of town. It was noted that signs should be posted when using the one-cent sales tax on a project.

Mayor Gill appointed Gary Wantulok to the WCCC Joint Powers Board for a three-year term.

Motion: to approve the appointment of Gary Wantulok to the WCCC Joint Powers Board.
By: Councilmember Fernandez.
Second by: Councilmember Gerber.
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Councilmember Gentzler reported on the one-cent sales tax meeting held earlier tonight. The County, the Town of Ten Sleep and the City of Worland will all be asking for funding from the tax. There will be another meeting on February 6, 2018 where a committee will be formed to work on the ballot question. City Attorney Richins stated that by statute the County and City could pass the tax by resolution; the County will not agree to a resolution so it will have to go on the ballot. Discussion followed; it was noted that the State wants to see local government "helping themselves" through passage of a one cent sales tax.

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

Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 p.m.
By: Councilmember Horath.
Second by: Councilmember Koch.
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

James R. Gill, Mayor

ATTEST:
Tracy A. Glanz, Clerk/Treasurer

January 24, 2018