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REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF WORLAND April 18, 2023

A regular meeting of the City Council of Worland, Wyoming met in the Council Chambers at Worland City Hall at 7:00 p.m. on April 18, 2023. Mayor Jim Gill presided and the Councilmembers in attendance were Kreg Lombard, Barbara Brookwell, Adam Martinez, William Worley, Rebecca George, Pete Calderon, Wendy Fredricks and Mike Neuffer. Also present were Chief of Police, Gabe Elliott; Superintendent of Public Works, Nick Kruger; Airport Manager, Lynn Murdoch; City Attorney, Kent Richins; City Engineer Representative, Mike Donnell and Clerk/Treasurer, Tracy Glanz. Councilmember Kody DeMunbrun was absent.

There were three (3) visitors present for this meeting of the City Council.

Jurn Wagner led the Council and Visitors in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Gill declared a quorum and asked for approval of the agenda.

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

The minutes of the April 4, 2023 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 April, before normal City Council approval on the first Tuesday of May and approve the Consent Agenda with Council Work Session Minutes for April 11, 2023 and Payroll Voucher for the period April 6, 2023. PAYROLL 4/06/23 - \$65,467.83.
By: Councilmember Lombard.
Second by: Councilmember Brookwell.
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Gill announced that it was time to open bids for One (1) New or Used Truck Mounted Combination Sewer Cleaner with Options. City Attorney Kent Richins opened the following bids:

COMPANY	TYPE	BID
Joe Johnson Equipment	2012 Vactor 2100 Plus	\$200,750.00
Williams Equipment, LLC	2009 Vac-Con Combination Sewer Machine	\$196,500.00
Kois Brothers Equipment	2023 Demo Unit – Camel 1200	\$589,235.00
Kois Brothers Equipment	2024 New Camel 1200 Max	\$459,935.00

City Attorney Richins turned the bids over to Superintendent of Public Works Nick Kruger for review.

A representative from Kois Brothers spoke about the idea of purchasing a new unit versus a used one and the problems the city may have with purchasing a used machine; a new machine is covered by warranty where used units are not. There are also purchasing options available through Kois Brothers for a new machine.

After discussion, Superintendent of Public Works Kruger re-

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quested time to review the bids and recommend a bid award at the next Council meeting.

Jurn Wagner requested that the Council consider updating the Noise Ordinance under Chapter 14A of the city code. Mr. Wagner has had a complaint filed against him for using his snow blower and he wants to be in compliance with city ordinance. The decibels allowed under the code are outdated as newer lawn mowers and snow blowers have higher decibels than is allowed. In addition, the time limit allowed in a residential area is too restrictive. Chief of Police Gabe Elliott clarified that the city code does allow under Section 14A-4 Exceptions for motorized lawn and yard care and snow removal equipment to be used between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. Mr. Wagner presented a handout on noise measurement and the decibels associated with various sources. Mr. Wagner commended the police department Chief of Police Elliott. Chief of Police Elliott thanked Mr. Wagner for his compliment and stated that the ordinance does need to be updated as it is almost 40 years old. Mayor Gill thanked Mr. Wagner for coming.

Mayor Gill asked for a motion to enter executive session to discuss contract negotiations.

Motion: to enter executive session at 7:33 p.m. to discuss contract negotiations.
By: Councilmember Lombard.
Second by: Councilmember Martinez.
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: to leave executive session at 8:22 p.m.
By: Councilmember Lombard.
Second by: Councilmember Martinez.
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Gill, under the Mayor Action Items Big Horn Regional Project, asked for a motion to either delay a decision to provide time to research the matter to a greater extent or move forward as a partner in the Big Horn Regional Project as proposed.

Motion: to table the decision on the proposed Big Horn Regional Project.
By: Councilmember Lombard.
Second by: Councilmember Calderon.
Vote: Members voting AYE: Martinez, Worley, Calderon, Brookwell, Lombard, Gill, Fredricks; Members voting NAY: George; Members ABSTAINING: Neuffer; the motion passed by a vote of 7-1-1.

Mayor Gill read a Proclamation declaring the month of April, 2023 as Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month. Mayor Gill thanked law enforcement, those in mental health and others who take care of the children in our community.

City Attorney Richins presented Ordinance #869 for second reading:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WORLAND, WASHAKIE COUNTY, WYOMING, AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP PROVIDED FOR IN WORLAND CITY CODE SECTION 24-8 BY RE-ZONING THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN FROM LIGHT INDUSTRIAL TO GENERAL BUSINESS. ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT ARE HEREBY REPEALED.

Motion: to approve Ordinance #869 on second reading.
By: Councilmember Brookwell.
Second by: Councilmember Neuffer.

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Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Airport Manager Lynn Murdoch informed the Council that the Wildlife Fence Project is 96% complete; once the power is installed for the gate the project will be complete.

Superintendent of Public Works Nick Kruger informed the Council that this Thursday, April 20th the city will be doing a joint project with the Lower Hanover Canal to burn the canal bank from Newell Sargent Park to Maverik. If it gets windy, the burning may be delayed until the next day. All neighboring property owners have been notified and there will be an ad in the newspaper. The gravel pile on BLM property is increasing with pit run. A piece broke on the aeration system at the Lagoon, sub-contractors are fixing it. There was a water leak in the Horseshoe Subdivision this morning, which has been fixed. The crew will be working on the water line for the BLM and other users at the airport. Most of the bathrooms in the parks are open with a few issues and the sprinklers were fired up this week. Work started on the irrigation project at the ball fields, with plans to have the ball fields on canal water within the next couple of months; there may be a delay on the delivery of the pumps. The crew will be working on 15th street in preparation for the street project. The city used 2,000 pounds of patch in potholes around town; a neighboring city has bid out fixing potholes, it is a statewide problem.

City Engineer Representative Donnell reported that the TAP application was filed with WYDOT to update all school zone flashing lights. A field inspection is scheduled for later this month or early next month. Our office is working with the city water operator and the DEQ to install new vents on the water tanks. The Richins Addition Storm Drain Extension and Street Upgrades Project paperwork is done and the paperwork on the South Sixth Street & Block 3, Evans Addition Sewer Mains Replacement Project was lost by the Contractor's bonding company so that project is delayed until the paperwork is complete.

Chief of Police Gabe Elliott reported that it is status quo with no new hires. CommTech Inc. is here programming the new radios and after years of trying to get communication with the schools we will have direct access to the school district since they have the same radio equipment.

City Attorney Kent Richins informed the Council that the School District is in favor of the language proposed by the city to the dissolution agreement. The County and School District are still working on that agreement. The next move would be to approve the dissolution agreement. The certified letter information has not been returned on the letter sent to the airport.

Clerk/Treasurer Tracy Glanz reminded the Council that the WAM Convention is in Cody on June 7-9th and asked that anyone interested in attending to notify her by the end of the week.

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

Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.
By: Councilmember Brookwell.
Second by: Councilmember Martinez.

James R. Gill, Mayor

ATTEST:
Tracy A. Glanz, Clerk/Treasurer

April 27, 2023