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### REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF WORLAND December 17, 2024

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 December 17, 2024. Mayor Jim Gill presided and the Councilmembers in attendance were Kreg Lombard, Barbara Brookwell, Kody DeMunbrun, William Worley, Rebecca George, Mike Neuffer, Adam Martinez and via telephone Wendy Fredricks. Also present were Director of Public Works, Nick Kruger; Airport Manager, Lynn Murdoch; Chief of Police, Gabe Elliott; City Attorney, Kent Richins; City Engineer Representative, Mike Donnell and Clerk/Treasurer Tracy Glanz.

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

City Attorney Kent Richins 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 Lombard.  
Second by: Councilmember George.  
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

The minutes of December 3, 2024 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 December, before normal City Council approval on the first Tuesday of January and approve the Consent Agenda with Council Work Session Minutes of December 9, 2024, BAPC Minutes of December 9, 2024 and Payroll Voucher for the period of December 13, 2024. PAYROLL 12/13/24 - \$67,689.86.  
By: Councilmember Brookwell.  
Second by: Councilmember George.  
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Josh Hellyer updated the Mayor and Council on the FBO operations at the airport. With the addition of the self-serve pumps, the courtesy vehicles and becoming a preferred fuel provider for Corporate Aircraft of America fuel sales are up. Worland Logistics LLC purchased a De-ice truck and is working with Hettinger and Jenkins to lease their large hangars when not in use. We also purchased a tug for large airplanes and Dr. Poffenberger loaned us a small tug that will move airplanes up to 26,000 pounds. The FBO has been refurbished and additional remodeling will continue with the replacement of the flooring. We will continue to work to promote the airport and hope to have an annual fly-in every year that people plan to attend. The Mayor and Council thanked Mr. Hellyer for all he is doing at the airport.

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Andrew Stiles and Natasha Vega questioned the Council about the new Dollar General Store coming in. There is a special needs child that lives across the alley of the proposed store and there are concerns about the containment pond, traffic, and safety concerns for the child. Clerk/Treasurer Tracy Glanz stated that the site plan has not come to the Council yet, it was approved at the last Board of Adjustment and Planning Commission (BAPC) meeting. Discussion followed. Clerk/Treasurer Glanz will contact Mr. Stiles to discuss the issue further.

Clerk/Treasurer Glanz informed the Council that Washakie County will be the applicant for the Wyoming Business Council (WBC) Planning Grant discussed at the last Council meeting. The grant application will be for \$75,000.00 versus \$100,000.00 with a local match divided between the entities (Washakie County, City of Worland, Town of Ten Sleep and Washakie Development Association). The City share of the match is \$8,000.00.

Motion: to approve a local match of \$8,000.00 from the City of Worland for the WBC Planning Grant.  
By: Councilmember Brookwell.  
Second by: Councilmember DeMunbrun.  
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Airport Manager Lynn Murdoch reported that she met with Ardurra, the airport engineer, about placement of the tie downs for the BLM. The BLM already purchased the tie downs; they will be placed as required by FAA specifications.

Director of Public Works Nick Kruger handed out a picture of the playground equipment ordered and received for Veteran's Park. This will replace the equipment at the park in its entirety. Wood Chips have been purchased as well to meet safety requirements for playgrounds. There will also be an upgrade to the equipment at Sage Creek, Sanders and Kiwanis Parks; with all the equipment paid for with ARPA funds. A new generator was installed at Rotary Riverside Park at the lift station. The crew is removing the cement foundation and piping for the old water tank by the city shop and work will continue remodeling the old water plant. A new employee started on Monday and is a welcome addition to the staff. The water survey on lead pipes is generating a lot of questions leading to education for the public and staff; the return rate is approximately 12%, hopefully that will be 30% this first mailing. Director of Public Works Kruger reminded residents that they can contact the City Shop if they need help identifying the type of pipe. This survey will continue through 2027 until all unidentified pipes have been determined. Sheryl Ley asked if Newell Sargent Park would have new playground equipment. Director of Public Works Kruger noted that the city plans to work on a comprehensive plan specifically for that park prior to updating the equipment, noting that playground equipment is expensive averaging approximately \$54,000.00 per set.

Chief of Police Gabe Elliott informed the Council that there was a lock down drill at the Middle School this week. It was very well organized and methodical; the teachers and students did well and made good decisions. In the past there have been radio communication issues at the Middle School, but the equip-

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ment has been updated and there were no problems. The State of Wyoming is updating the crash report system with a new system that will be implemented this year. There will be six (6) months of training for each agency.

City Engineer Representative Mike Donnell reported that there is an active project still under contract; the 8" water line extension to Amish Origins from Washakie Avenue South. Once the bore is complete, a pressure test and bacterial test will be completed and then the line can be put into service. The city completed 1.87 miles of new paving this year, which is right under 9,900 linear feet.

City Attorney Kent Richins thanked Josh & Nicole Hellyer for bringing the municipal airport back to life and thanked Councilmember DeMunbrun and Mayor Gill for their years of service to the City.

Motion: to enter an executive session to discuss contract negotiations at 7:32 p.m.  
By: Councilmember Lombard.  
Second by: Councilmember Martinez.  
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: to leave the executive session at 7:42 p.m.  
By: Councilmember DeMunbrun.  
Second by: Councilmember Martinez.  
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

City Attorney Richins noted that the City of Worland entered into a promissory note with Worland Logistics, LLC and a loan agreement for one (1) year. Under the circumstances and due to improvements at the airport, Worland Logistics asked for a one (1) year extension of the loan under the same terms. The bank is not opposed to the city extending the loan.

Motion: to approve extending the loan to Worland Logistics, LLC for another twelve (12) months starting April 1, 2025.  
By: Councilmember Worley.  
Second by: Councilmember Neuffer.  
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

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

Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.  
By: Councilmember Brookwell.  
Second by: Councilmember Neuffer.  
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

James R. Gill, Mayor

ATTEST:  
Tracy A. Glanz, Clerk/Treasurer

December 26, 2024