
PUBLIC NOTICE

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF WORLAND February 16, 2021

A regular meeting of the City Council of Worland, Wyoming convened at the Worland Community Center Complex at 7:00 p.m. on February 16, 2021. Mayor Jim Gill presided and the Councilmembers in attendance were Kreg Lombard, Barbara Brookwell, Kody DeMunbrun, Adam Martinez, Christy Schneider, Wendy Fredricks, Scott Schaeffer and William Worley. Also present were: Chief of Police, Gabe Elliott; Airport Manager, Lynn Murdoch; City Engineer Representative, Mike Donnell; City Attorney, Kent Richins; Streets & Sanitation Supervisor, Jeff Taylor and Clerk/Treasurer Tracy Glanz. Councilmember Mike Neuffer was absent.

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

Adam Martinez led the Council and Visitors in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Gill declared a Quorum with Councilmember Neuffer excused and asked for approval of the agenda as presented.

Motion: to approve the agenda as presented.
By: Councilmember Lombard.
Second by: Councilmember Schneider.
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

The minutes of the February 2, 2021 regular meeting stand approved as presented.

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 February, before normal City Council approval on the first Tuesday of March and approve the Consent Agenda with Council Work Session Minutes of February 8, 2021 and Payroll Voucher for the period ending February 7, 2021; PAYROLL 2/07/21 - \$63,823.79.
By: Councilmember DeMunbrun.
Second by: Councilmember Lombard.
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Gill announced the Public Hearing to hear comment on the applications for renewal of liquor licenses and opened the public hearing at 7:02 p.m.; Clerk/Treasurer Tracy Glanz stated that the following applications were submitted:

RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSES

Goose's, Inc. d/b/a Goose's
Amy Ward d/b/a Little Chief
Kickspike Inc. d/b/a Rendezvous Lounge
Worland Country Club d/b/a Green Hills Golf Club
Rumors Sports Bar/Grill, LLC d/b/a Rumors Sports Bar/Grill
Bailey Enterprises Inc. d/b/a Pit Stop #14 (formerly 221 North Tenth, LLC)

Note: The public hearing for the transfer of the liquor license from 221 North Tenth, LLC to Bailey Enterprises Inc. was held but the transfer was not specifically mentioned. There was no public comment; the transfer will be ratified at the next Council Meeting.

Warehouse, Inc. d/b/a The Warehouse
The Brass Plum Inc. d/b/a The Brass Plum
Big Horn Co-Operative Marketing Association d/b/a Big Horn Co-Op
KBLA, Inc. d/b/a Blair's Market
Maverik, Inc. d/b/a Maverik, Inc. #166
Scheuerman Hospitality Inc. d/b/a Comfort Inn

PUBLIC NOTICE

LIMITED RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSES
BPOE Building Association d/b/a Elks Lodge No. 1908
Fraternal Order of Eagles #3096 d/b/a Fraternal Order of Eagles #3096
American Legion Post #44 d/b/a American Legion Post #44

RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSES
Pizza Hut of Worland, Inc. d/b/a Pizza Hut Worland
Ranchito Mexican Restaurant d/b/a Ranchito Mexican Restaurant

BAR AND GRILL LICENSES
Stogie Joe's LLC d/b/a Stogie Joe's

There were no comments; Mayor Gill closed the public hearing at 7:05 p.m.

Motion: to approve the applications for renewal of liquor licenses from April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022.
By: Councilmember Lombard.
Second by: Councilmember DeMunbrun.
Vote: Councilmembers voting AYE: DeMunbrun, Schaeffer, Lombard, Fredricks, Martinez, Gill, Brookwell, Worley; Councilmembers voting NAY: None; Councilmembers ABSTAINING: Schneider; the motion passed by a vote of 8-0-1.

City Attorney Kent Richins presented Ordinance #857 for first reading:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WORLAND, WASHAKIE COUNTY, WYOMING, INCREASING THE CITY OF WORLAND SEWER RATES FOR THE WYOMING BOYS SCHOOL TO ESTABLISH DEPRECIATION RESERVE FOR FUTURE LINE MAINTENANCE AND REPLACEMENT BY SUPPLEMENTING SECTION 23-63 BY ADDING A NEW SUBSECTION "D" OF THE WORLAND CITY CODE. ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH ARE HEREBY REPEALED.

City Attorney Richins explained that the sewer reserve charge will be put into a reserve account to be used when an expense to replace the sewer line to the Wyoming Boys School (WBS) exceeds \$12,000.00. The City has been in contact with WBS and they have had an opportunity to review the Ordinance. Mr. Gilmore with WBS indicated he would meet with Mayor Gill last week but never contacted him. No one from the WBS is present tonight. Discussion followed, regarding the basic sewer charge, the useful life of the sewer line, when and if the charge would stop and how this would fit into the State budget. City Attorney Richins stated that future Councils would decide if the charge needed to stop and Clerk/Treasurer Glanz clarified how much the current basic sewer charge is. City Attorney Richins explained the ordinance process to the new Councilmembers and Mayor Gill asked for a motion to approve on first reading.

Motion: to approve Ordinance #857 on first reading.
By: Councilmember Schneider.
Second by: Councilmember Lombard.
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Streets & Sanitation Supervisor Jeff Taylor informed the Council that the crew is working on fixing the second artesian line leak; it was located last week but due to weather conditions work was delayed until this week. It should be fixed tomorrow and back on line. There was a water main break at 4:00 a.m. this morning in the 700 block of Grace Avenue. The water was shut off for two (2) blocks in that area and the pipe was fixed by noon. Snow removal from Big Horn Avenue started yesterday and the crew will pick up the piles of snow after the artesian line is fixed. Crews will continue to clean snow on streets and parking lots.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Chief of Police Gabe Elliott reminded the Council of the need to update the ordinance dealing with vehicle storage in residential areas. There are problematic areas in the current ordinance and initial changes have been sent to the City Attorney for review. The changes can be discussed at the next Council Work Session prior to first reading of an ordinance.

Clerk/Treasurer Glanz noted that the new telephone system is up and running; Range is finishing up at the City Shop installing the new phones.

City Attorney Richins requested an executive session at the close of the Council meeting to discuss possible litigation.

City Engineer Representative Donnell stated that Big Horn Regional (BHR) meets tomorrow night at 6:30 p.m. to hear public comment about the rate increase to the EDU and the Bulk Water Charge. BHR typically provides water to the agencies that belong to BHR and BHR gets most of their water from the City's wells. BHR has never increased their bulk water rate and the proposed increase will change the rate from \$.45 per thousand gallons to \$1.05 per thousand; the EDU rate will change from \$10.24 to \$11.05 per ¾ inch meter. City Engineer Representative Donnell explained that the regional system was created after Council asked the Engineer's office to look into a backup line for the City. State agencies wanted regional water systems to serve more water customers and told the City that they would not fund a water line just for the City of Worland but would support the idea of a regional system. It was suggested that the Council be provided additional information about the regional system at a Council Work Session and possibly do a tour of the system. The artesian line was built in 1983-84, so the pipe is not that old, but the soils around the line are "weak sands" which can cause the pipe to move if they become saturated. This movement results in leaks at the pipe joints. There is a cushion of gravel under and all around the pipeline to encase it. It may be viable at some point to line the pipeline to prevent future leaks.

Airport Manager Lynn Murdoch informed the Council that they have been removing a lot of snow at the airport; everything is running smooth with no breakdowns.

Mayor Gill noted that he will be putting together a hiring committee for the Superintendent of Public Works position.

Motion: to enter into executive session at 7:37 p.m. to discuss possible litigation.
By: Councilmember DeMunbrun.
Second by: Councilmember Lombard.
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: to leave executive session at 7:52 p.m.
By: Councilmember Worley.
Second by: Councilmember Schaeffer.
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 7:53 p.m.
By: Councilmember Schneider.
Second by: Councilmember Brookwell.
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

James R. Gill, Mayor

ATTEST:
Tracy A. Glanz, Clerk/Treasurer

February 25, 2021