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## REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF WORLAND March 19, 2019

A regular meeting of the City Council of Worland, Wyoming convened in the Council Chambers in City Hall at 7:00 p.m. on March 19, 2019. Mayor Jim Gill presided and the Councilmembers in attendance were Delayne Renner, Mandy Horath, Christy Schneider, Keith Gentzler, Kreg Lombard, Mike Neufer, Gary Gerber and Dennis Koch. Also present were: Superintendent of Public Works, Brian Burky; Airport Manager, Lynn Murdoch; City Attorney, Kent Richins; City Engineer Representative, Mike Donnell; Chief of Police, Gabe Elliott and Clerk/Treasurer, Tracy Glanz. Councilmember Melissa Rivera was absent.

There were four (4) visitors present for this meeting of the City Council.

Marco Ortega led the Council and Visitors in the Pledge of Al-

Mayor Gill declared a Quorum present with Councilmember Rivera excused and asked for review and approval of the agenda.

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

The minutes of the March 5, 2019 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 March, before normal City Council approval on the first Tuesday of April and approve the Consent Agenda with Council Work Session Minutes of March 11, 2019 and Payroll Voucher for the period ending March 10, 2019; PAYROLL 3/10/19 - \$69,937.35.

By: Councilmember Lombard. Second by: Councilmember Renner. Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Marco Ortega with Bloedorn Lumber informed the Council that Bloedorn would be celebrating its 100-year anniversary on June 8, 2019 and requested approval to have a band in the parking lot from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. There will be a bouncy house and giveaways. No alcohol will be served. Discussion followed; the band will be on the north side of the parking lot next to the highway. The Council asked Mr. Ortega to contact surrounding businesses about the celebration.

Motion: to approve the request of Bloedorn Lumber to have a celebration for their 100-year anniversary on June 8, 2019 with a band from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. By: Councilmember Neufer.

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Second by: Councilmember Horath. Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Patricia Ehrman with Y2 Consultants explained the Middle Big Horn Watershed Project with the Wyoming Water Development Commission. In this project, Y2 was asked to include the

Lower Hanover Canal as a feasible pathway in keeping with the Master Plan for Worland. The preferred option is to bury the canal from Washakie to Big Horn Avenue and across to South 15th Street connecting the parks to the schools with a pathway to enable children, pedestrians and bicyclists to be out of traffic. The suggested option also includes potential opportunities for outdoor recreation for the senior center. This project adds additional parking at Sanders Park and along Park Drive to reduce parking in local neighborhoods. By putting the canal in a pipe, this would open up possibilities for state funding including Safe Routes to School. Discussion followed about what would happen with the urrent bridge structures and what sewer lines may need moved. Mayor Gill commented that this would be a tremendous improvement to the City and commended the canal association for agreeing to look into the idea of covering the canal. "We need to have the residents back this idea to move forward. And it may require funding from the 1% sales tax to support the idea." Discussion continued. The next step includes public input; the final report is due on August 16, 2019 to the Wyoming Water Development

Mayor Gill asked for volunteers to serve on the Budget Committee; the committee consists of one member from each Ward, the Mayor and the Budget Officer, Clerk/Treasurer Tracy Glanz. Councilmembers Schneider, Gerber and Neufer volunteered and were appointed by Mayor Gill.

Motion: to approve the appointment of Councilmembers Schneider, Gerber and Neufer to the Budget Committee. By: Councilmember Horath.

Second by: Councilmember Gentzler. Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

City Attorney Kent Richins informed the Council that the home at 1429 Coburn has been declared a public nuisance and the owner of the home signed a deed to the City to abate the problem. The land can be sold after the house is demolished. The city crew will be tearing down the house after confirmation that there is no asbestos in the siding. The process should take approximately two (2) weeks. City Attorney Richins stated that the Department Heads are prepared to meet with the Water and Sewer Agreements Committee with a recommendation of how to move forward. A meeting is scheduled for April 1, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall.

Airport Manager Lynn Murdoch reported that the WYDOT crack seal project at the airport will start sometime in April and the Taxilane C Project will go out to bid sometime after that.

Chief of Police Gabe Elliott received complaints about the March 28, 2019 crosswalk light not working correctly at South 5th Street and

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Howell Avenue. The parts are on order and it will be fixed soon; we do have a crosswalk guard at the intersection in the morning and afternoon. The police department documented the streetlight outages and that report has been turned into the Clerk/Treasurer for reporting to Rocky Mountain Power. Officer John Core resigned and a deputy from the Sheriff's office has been offered a lateral transfer; this will require minimal training. Councilmember Gentzler complimented Chief of Police Elliott on the placement of the speed sign east of the City and requested the same sign be placed at all entrances. Chief of Police Elliott stated that the signs are expensive and additional signs will be purchased under the public works department budget as discussed last year. The speed trailer on the west entrance was frozen in place but it can now be removed and replaced.

Clerk/Treasurer Glanz requested the scheduling of two (2) initial budget committee meetings on April 15, April 17 or April 18, 2019. After discussion, the initial budget meetings are scheduled for April 15, 2019 and April 17, 2019 starting at 6:00 p.m. Additional meetings may be scheduled the following week. Councilmember Gentzler stated that he could not support the city giving funds to the local Chamber of Commerce as he felt they do nothing for the city or local businesses. Clerk/Treasurer Glanz will attend a WAM-JPIC Board meeting in Cheyenne the end of next

City Engineer Representative Mike Donnell is working on the curb and gutter, and double gutter replacement project to get it out to bid and under construction prior to the GSB88 project. The City was notified that there might be a conflict with the water line out on West River Road under the planned WYDOT project. City Engineer Representative Donnell notified the Council that the Big Horn Regional Board does not have anything in their bylaws to allow a proxy or substitute vote when the voting board member cannot attend the meeting. Discussion followed. The Council encouraged Superintendent of Public Works Burky (the voting member) to get the bylaws changed as soon as possible.

Superintendent of Public Works Brian Burky informed the Council that the city crew fixed a leak in Country Heights and the crew is still scraping ice out of the gutters. The crew will work on potholes as weather permits and we will have the street sweeper working for the season next week. The city is collaborating with the Rec Board to install pickle ball courts at Hillcrest Park.

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

James R. Gill, Mayor

Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m. By: Councilmember Renner. Second by: Councilmember Neufer. Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Tracy A. Glanz, Clerk/Treasurer