

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF WORLAND, WYOMING

February 20, 2007

A regular meeting of the City Council of Worland, Wyoming convened in the Council Chambers in City Hall at 7:00 p.m. on February 20, 2007. Mayor Sonny Shearer presided and the Councilmembers in attendance were: Jerry Alexander, Loyd Worley, Curt Christoffersen, Justin Pfeiffer, Bud Callaham, George Hazen, Vasca Gilmore, Bob Nelsen and Shane Anderson. Also present were: Community Development Director, Dale Ellsworth; Airport Manager, Gary Thompson; City Engineer, Mike Donnell; City Attorney, Kent Richins; Police Chief, Bob Richardson; Superintendent of Public Works, Gene Clame and Clerk-Treasurer, Tracy Glanz.

There was one visitor present for this meeting of the City Council.

Mayor Sonny Shearer led the Council and visitor in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion: to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on February 5, 2007.

By: Councilmember Hazen.

Second by: Councilmember Callaham.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Shearer opened the public hearing at 7:01 p.m. to hear comment on the applications for new and renewed Liquor Licenses. The Clerk-Treasurer announced that the following applications were submitted:

RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSES

Goose's Liquor, LLC d/b/a Goose's Liquor

CGV, Inc. d/b/a Little Chicago

Roy & Linda Phillips d/b/a Little Chief

Kickspike Inc. d/b/a Rendezvous Lounge

Worland Country Club d/b/a Worland Country Club

The Cattleman's Inc. d/b/a The Cattleman's Inc.

Jon's Food Basket, Inc. d/b/a Jon's Liquor Store

BlueJayz Inc. d/b/a BlueJayz Inc.

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

NEW/TRANSFERRED RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE

Hamilton Properties d/b/a Crazy Fredy's

LIMITED RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSES

Elks Lodge No. 1908 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  
St.Clair Investment, Ltd. d/b/a Habanero Mexican Grill

Motion: to approve the new and renewed liquor licenses for one year.  
By: Councilmember Hazen.  
Second by: Councilmember Worley.  
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Shearer closed the public hearing at 7:03 p.m.

Motion: to approve the payroll for the period ending February 11, 2007; PAYROLL – 2/11/07 - \$53,173.31.  
By: Councilmember Hazen.  
Second by: Councilmember Anderson.  
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Roy Phillips of Little Chief requested that the local liquor establishments be allowed to stay open for 24 hours on Labor Day, September 2, 2007, Veteran's Day, November 10, 2007 and New Year's Eve, December 31, 2007.

Motion: to allow the local liquor establishments to stay open for 24 hours on Labor Day, Veteran's Day and New Year's Eve.  
By: Councilmember Nelsen.  
Second by: Councilmember Callaham.  
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Shearer updated the Council on the Skateboard Park i.e. funding and construction timeline.

Mayor Shearer asked for approval to have the lot appraised at the Community Hall site. This would permit the City to move ahead if they decide to sell the lot. Discussion followed.

Motion: to authorize the Mayor to get an appraisal of the lot at the Community Hall site.  
By: Councilmember Gilmore.  
Second by: Councilmember Callaham.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Councilmember Curt Christoffersen inquired as to the Council's pleasure on hiring a part-time permanent employee in the Community Development/Building Inspection Department. Discussion followed.

Motion: to authorize the Community Development Director to hire a part-time permanent employee at a Grade 16.

By: Councilmember Christoffersen.

Second by:

The motion died for lack of a second.

Councilmember Bob Nelsen, Chairman of the Utilities Commission, informed the Council of the past-due water bill at Linden Park in the amount of approximately \$8,179.50. Discussion followed.

Motion: to shut-off the master meter at Linden Park if the bill is not paid in full by 9:00 a.m. tomorrow (Wednesday) morning.

By: Councilmember Nelsen.

Second by:

The motion died for lack of a second.

Motion: to shut-off the master meter at Linden Park with notice, if not paid in full by Thursday, February 22, 2007 at 3:00 p.m.

By: Councilmember Nelsen.

Second by: Councilmember Callaham.

Vote: Councilmembers voting AYE: Anderson, Nelsen, Worley, Callaham, and Alexander; Councilmembers voting NAY: Pfeiffer, Christoffersen, Hazen and Gilmore. The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 4.

Councilmember Nelsen asked the Council to consider the idea of not requiring Department Heads to attend Council meetings. If they are needed, then they will be invited to attend. The meetings should not be mandatory. Discussion followed.

Motion: Department Heads are no longer required to attend Council meetings.

By: Councilmember Nelsen.

Second by: Councilmember Worley.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Councilmember Christoffersen asked the Council to consider the vacation accrual policy as it affects the employees within the Police Department. Discussion followed.

Motion: to pay out vacation time accrued above the maximum allowed by policy for the Police Department until September 1, 2007.

By: Councilmember Christoffersen.

Second by: Councilmember Hazen.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: to authorize the Mayor to sign the change order for the planters surrounding the Worland entrance signs.

By: Councilmember Worley.

Second by: Councilmember Callaham.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

City Attorney Kent Richins informed the Council that he had received a letter from Gallagher Bassett in response to his letter regarding the settlement offered for the Community Hall. Discussion followed, no further action was taken.

Clerk/Treasurer Tracy Glanz informed the Council the City had received a check from Gallagher Bassett in the amount of \$599,599.00, the balance due after subtracting the demolition fee and deductible.

Motion: to put the monies from the insurance settlement into a Certificate of Deposit for a term of six (6) months.

By: Councilmember Christoffersen.

Second by: Councilmember Callaham.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Clerk/Treasurer Glanz notified the Council that her computer had crashed and she was operating on the back-up laptop provided by the County for Homeland Security. The computers in the office will all have to be replaced within the next 2 years.

Motion: to authorize the Clerk/Treasurer to purchase two new computers for the office.

By: Councilmember Alexander.

Second by: Councilmember Gilmore.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Councilmember Alexander updated the Council of the changes made to the Golf Pro Agreement. Discussion followed, no further action was taken.

Motion: to ratify and approve the actions of the boards and commissions of the Worland City Council.

By: Councilmember Hazen.

Second by: Councilmember Pfeiffer.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: to enter into executive session to discuss a personnel issue.

By: Councilmember Callaham.

Second by: Councilmember Worley.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

At the conclusion of the executive session, the meeting adjourned.

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Sonny Shearer, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Tracy A. Glanz, Clerk-Treasurer