

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF WORLAND, WYOMING
March 2, 2010

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 2, 2010. Mayor Kreg Lombard presided and the Councilmembers in attendance were: Kathy Newman, Michele Rideout, Jerry Alexander, Loyd Worley, Bud Callaham, Bob Nelsen, Lisa Fernandez and George Hazen. Also present were: Airport Manager/Superintendent of Public Works, Gary Thompson; Chief of Police, Greg Bankert; City Attorney, Kent Richins; City Engineer Representative, Mike Donnell; Building Official Ron Vanderpool and Clerk-Treasurer, Tracy Glanz. Councilmember Justin Pfeiffer was absent.

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

Jeanette Johnson led the Council and visitors in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion: to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on February 16, 2010.

By: Councilmember Callaham.

Second by: Councilmember Worley.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Lombard opened the public hearing at 7:02 p.m. to hear comment on the applications for the renewal of Liquor Licenses. Clerk/Treasurer Tracy Glanz 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

Rumors Sports Bar/Grill

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

BlueJayz, Inc. d/b/a Rock Bottom Bar & Grill

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 #166

LIMITED RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSES

Elks Lodge No. 1908

Fraternal Order of Eagles #3096

American Legion Post #44

RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSES

Pizza Hut of Worland, Inc. d/b/a Pizza Hut
Magdalena Martinez d/b/a Ranchito

It was noted that St. Clair Investment, LTD d/b/a Habanero Mexican Grill did not renew their restaurant liquor license.

Hearing no public comment Mayor Lombard closed the public hearing at 7:03 p.m.

Motion: to approve the renewed liquor licenses for one year.

By: Councilmember Worley.

Second by: Councilmember Callaham.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: to approve the February bills and the payroll for the periods ending February 21, 2010 and February 28, 2010; PAYROLL 2/21/10 - \$54,747.08; PAYROLL 2/28/10 - \$3,037.58.

By: Councilmember Hazen.

Second by: Councilmember Rideout.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Lombard again requested a five (5) year plan from Councilmembers and asked that it be turned in by the next Council meeting. All Department Heads have complied with this request.

Mayor Lombard stated from now on council packets will be available Thursday afternoon or Friday morning the week prior to the council meeting so that Councilmembers will have a chance to review the agenda and information in the packet prior to the meeting. Councilmembers were encouraged to talk to Department Heads prior to the meeting with any questions or concerns.

Mayor Lombard invited everyone to tour the basement prior to discussion on how to proceed on the ARRA-SEP Facility Energy Efficient Grant. Clerk/Treasurer Glanz reminded the Council of the Options available:

Option A - Entire Project at a total cost of \$91,000.00

Grant Amount: \$68,796.00/City Match: \$22,204.00 (76/24 split)

Option B - Reduced Project at a total cost of \$78,000.00

Grant Amount: \$68,796.00/City Match: \$9,204.00 (88/12 split)

Discussion followed as to the retrofits that could be eliminated with Option B.

Motion: to approve Option B, Reduced Scope for the City Hall Project accepting Engineering Associates recommendations on the proposed retrofits.

By: Councilmember Callaham.

Second by: Councilmember Rideout.

Vote: Members voting AYE: Alexander, Worley, Fernandez, Lombard, Rideout, Callaham, Newman; Members voting NAY: Hazen and Nelsen; the motion passed by a vote of 7-2.

City Attorney Kent Richins presented Ordinance #784 for second reading.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WORLAND, WASHAKIE COUNTY, WYOMING, ESTABLISHING, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THE MECHANICAL CODE AND PLUMBING CODE OF THE WORLAND CITY CODE. ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH ARE HEREBY REPEALED.

Motion: to pass Ordinance #784 on second reading.

By: Councilmember Nelsen.

Second by: Councilmember Alexander.

Vote: Members voting AYE: Alexander, Worley, Fernandez, Nelsen, Lombard, Rideout, Callaham and Newman; Members voting NAY: Hazen; the motion passed by a vote of 8-1.

City Attorney Richins presented Ordinance #785 for second reading.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WORLAND, WASHAKIE COUNTY, WYOMING, SUPPORTING AND APPROVING THE CONTINUATION OF A GENERAL PURPOSE ONE PERCENT (1%) SALES TAX IN WASHAKIE COUNTY, STATE OF WYOMING. ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH ARE HEREBY REPEALED.

Motion: to pass Ordinance #785 on second reading.

By: Councilmember Hazen.

Second by: Councilmember Nelsen.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Clerk/Treasurer Glanz introduced Resolution #2010-4:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD, OR by the Chief Administrative Office of those agencies which do not have a governing board, the following are hereby authorized as our representative(s) to acquire surplus property from The STATE OF WYOMING SURPLUS PROPERTY.

Gary Thompson, Airport Manager/Supt. of Public Works
Kreg Lombard, Mayor
Tracy A. Glanz, Clerk/Treasurer
Greg Bankert, Police Chief

Passed and adopted this 2nd day of March, 2010, by the governing board of City of Worland by a unanimous vote;

I, Tracy A. Glanz, Clerk of the Governing Board do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the board at a City Council meeting thereof held at its regular place of meeting at the date by the vote above stated, which resolution is on file in the office of the board.

ATTEST:

Tracy A. Glanz, Clerk

Mayor Kreg Lombard

Motion: to pass, approve and adopt Resolution #2010-4.

By: Councilmember Nelsen.

Second by: Councilmember Alexander.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Clerk/Treasurer Glanz requested approval to send out letters to franchise holders to enter into negotiations to increase the franchise fees from 3% to 5%. This increase could add approximately \$182,000.00 to the general fund revenue. Clerk/Treasurer Glanz noted that larger cities are already at a 5% franchise fee. Discussion followed.

Motion: to approve sending letters to re-negotiate franchise fees.

By: Councilmember Callaham.

Second by: Councilmember Alexander.

Vote: Members voting AYE: Hazen, Alexander, Fernandez, Lombard, Rideout, Callaham and Newman; Members voting NAY: Worley and Nelsen; the motion passed by a vote of 7-2.

Airport Manager/Superintendent of Public Works Gary Thompson informed the Council that he and Mark Osbon had reviewed the mower bids and recommend accepting the bid of Big Valley Bearing & Supply for a Grasshopper Mower. There is a minor technicality (cubic inch displacement) with the Big Valley Bearing & Supply bid; however, Superintendent of Public Works Thompson recommended that the Council waive the technical informality and allow him to purchase the mower. City Attorney Kent Richins agreed with waiving the technicality. Discussion followed.

Motion: to approve the purchase of the Grasshopper Mower and bagging system from Big Valley Bearing and Supply.

By: Councilmember Alexander.

Second by: Councilmember Callaham.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent of Public Works Thompson reported that Road 11 was closed today to set the manholes and will be closed until tomorrow evening. The project should be completed in two to three weeks with asphalt replacement this summer.

Superintendent of Public Works Thompson informed the Council that the Wastewater Treatment Plant was out of compliance for the month of February due to the continuing cold weather. City personnel have been in contact with the DEQ and Donnell & Allred is working on the UV Unit Replacement.

Superintendent of Public Works Thompson requested ratification of the decision by the Council through e-mail to lift the hiring freeze allowing Superintendent Thompson to advertise for a Shop Foreman.

Motion: to ratify the decision and lift the hiring freeze for the Shop Foreman position.

By: Councilmember Callaham.

Second by: Councilmember Worley.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent of Public Works Thompson requested an executive session regarding a personnel issue at the end of the meeting.

Chief of Police Greg Bankert informed the Council that he received preliminary approval for a Safe Routes to School Grant in the amount of \$20,000.00 for engineering and planning.

City Engineer Representative Donnell stated that the UV Unit bid opening would be April 6, 2010.

Under Business of the Council:

Councilmember Newman reported on the WAM Winter Conference relaying information on the premium increase to the Wyoming Retirement System, meeting with Rep. Debbie Hammons about budget and floodplain issues, a Conflict Resolution and Budget Management class and discussing funding options with representatives from the State Land Board.

Councilmember Alexander requested that the Council re-address Ordinance #782 requiring compaction tests in alleys. Councilmember Alexander would like to see the Ordinance changed eliminating the compaction requirements and making the contractors responsible for the alleys for two (2) years after construction. Discussion followed as to the need for compaction testing in the alleys. Superintendent of Public Works Thompson is looking into a SCS Compaction Tester for the City at an initial cost of \$2,800.00; contractors could purchase the same testing equipment to reduce costs for compaction tests. Discussion followed.

Councilmember Fernandez stated the Employee Breakfast would be on March 30, 2010 at 7:00 a.m. at the Worland Community Complex Center back gym. Donations are welcome!

Councilmember Nelsen thanked the City for the new valley gutter on South 9th Street; there have been no problems with ice this year. Councilmember Nelsen thanked the city crew for the work they have been doing on snow and ice removal throughout the City.

Motion: to enter into executive session at 8:20 p.m. to discuss a personnel issue.

By: Councilmember Nelsen.

Second by: Councilmember Fernandez.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: to leave executive session at 8:57 p.m.

By: Councilmember Alexander.

Second by: Councilmember Callaham.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: to make the Shop Foreman position a Grade 27.

By: Councilmember Alexander.

Second by: Councilmember Callaham.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:59 P.M.

Kreg Lombard, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tracy A. Glanz, Clerk-Treasurer