

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF WORLAND, WYOMING  
October 6, 2009

A regular meeting of the City Council of Worland, Wyoming convened in the Council Chambers in City Hall at 7:00 p.m. on October 6, 2009. Mayor Kreg Lombard presided and the Councilmembers in attendance were: Bud Callaham, Jerry Alexander, Kathy Newman, Loyd Worley, George Hazen, Bob Nelsen, Bill Hankins and Justin Pfeiffer. Also present were: City Attorney, Kent Richins; Airport Manager/Superintendent of Public Works, Gary Thompson; City Engineer Representative, Mike Donnell; Chief of Police, Greg Bankert; Building Official, Ron Vanderpool and Clerk/Treasurer, Tracy Glanz.

There were twenty-two (22) visitors present for this meeting of the City Council.

Councilmember Worley led the Council and Visitors in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion: to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on September 15, 2009.

By: Councilmember Hazen.

Second by: Councilmember Nelsen.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

City Attorney Kent Richins announced that it was the time and place to open bids for the Road 11 Sewer Project.

<b>COMPANY</b>	<b>BID</b>
SG Welsh Excavation	\$ 277,328.00
Wilson Bros. Construction, Inc.	\$ 599,736.00
Reiman Corp.	\$ 296,532.00
Hot Iron, Inc.	\$ 347,374.40
Lamax Construction, Inc.	\$ 563,885.00
Patrick Construction	\$ 295,361.00
DRM, Inc.	\$ 310,280.65
Four Aces Services, Inc.	\$ 561,047.04
Grell Dirt Construction	\$ 283,545.50
Three Way, Inc.	\$ 287,912.26

The bids were given to Superintendent of Public Works Gary Thompson for review.

Motion: to allow the bid to be awarded at the Utilities Commission meeting after review by Superintendent of Public Works Thompson and City Engineer Representative Mike Donnell.

By: Councilmember Callaham.

Second by: Councilmember Worley.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

City Attorney Kent Richins announced that it was the time and place to open bids for the New Restrooms at Newell Sargent Park.

<b>COMPANY</b>	<b>BID</b>	<b>ALTERNATE BID</b>
SMC, LLC	\$ 128,361.10	\$ 134,760.60
Hughes Truss Co.	\$ 93,370.42	\$ 103,370.42
Fettig Construction	\$ 97,877.00	\$ 107,877.00
Hinckley James, Inc.	\$ 81,126.90	\$ 91,816.90

Note: Alternate bid was for stainless steel sinks vs. porcelain sinks.

The bids were given to Superintendent of Public Works Gary Thompson for review.

Motion: to allow the bid to be awarded at the Buildings & Grounds Commission meeting after review by Superintendent of Public Works Thompson.

By: Councilmember Worley.

Second by: Councilmember Nelsen.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

City Attorney Kent Richins announced that it was the time and place to open bids for the Police Department SUV.

<b>COMPANY</b>	<b>TYPE</b>	<b>BID</b>
Worland Ford	2010 Expedition	\$ 29,171.00/each
Big West AutoPlex	2009 Chev.Tahoe/GMC Yukon	\$ 32,400.00/each
Fremont Motor Company	2009 Ford Expedition	\$ 30,300.00/each

The bids were given to Chief of Police Greg Bankert for review.

Motion: to allow the bid to be awarded at the Community Service Commission meeting after review by Chief of Police Bankert.

By: Councilmember Nelsen.

Second by: Councilmember Callahan.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Councilmember Justin Pfeiffer joined the meeting via Skype at 7:20 p.m.

Ernie Hernandez, Daniel Garcia, Charles Gilmore, Jo Deveraux, Ardis Mizner and Mel Treanor commented on sanitation and asked for clarification on privatization, once a week pickups versus twice a week pickups, one day a month pickup for bigger items and/or tree limbs or yard waste, recycling, employee jobs and education of the public on what should be placed in dumpsters. Councilmember Hankins recommended that the issue be taken to the Utilities Commission for further discussion.

Motion: to approve the September bills and the payroll for the periods ending September 20, 2009 and September 30, 2009; PAYROLL 9/20/09 - \$57,748.27; PAYROLL 9/30/09 - \$2,954.06.

By: Councilmember Hankins.

Second by: Councilmember Callaham.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Lombard complimented Ben Hake and Jamey Pfeiffer on how good the grounds looked around City Hall. Mayor Lombard also complimented Mark Osbon and the Parks Department on the appearance of the parks.

Mayor Lombard attended a WAM Committee meeting in Wheatland and relayed to the Council that the Worland Municipal Airport was commended and used as an example on improving safety for other municipalities around the State. Thanks to Airport Manager Gary Thompson for one of the best facilities in the State.

Mayor Lombard asked for discussion on the cleaning of the boat ramp between the bridges west of the City. Discussion followed as to who is responsible for the maintenance. Councilmember Hankins asked that this be referred to the Buildings & Grounds Commission.

City Attorney Kent Richins presented Ordinance #780 for third and final reading:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WORLAND, WASHAKIE COUNTY, WYOMING, ADDING THE DRUG SALVIA DIVINORUM AND SALVINORIN A TO THE LIST OF THE PROHIBITED DRUGS OR COMPOUNDS BY SUPPLEMENTING SECTION 15-11 OF CHAPTER 15 OF THE WORLAND CITY CODE. ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH ARE HEREBY REPEALED.

Motion: to pass Ordinance #780 on third and final reading.

By: Councilmember Nelsen.

Second by: Councilmember Callaham.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Clerk/Treasurer Tracy Glanz received a letter of resignation from Councilmember Dave Gluyas. Councilmember Gluyas has moved out of Ward 1 creating a vacancy. City Attorney Kent Richins advised the Council of the procedure to fill the position.

Motion: to declare a vacancy in Ward 1 due to the resignation of Councilmember Gluyas.

By: Councilmember Alexander.

Second by: Councilmember Callaham.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

The Council formally thanked Councilmember Gluyas for his service to the City.

Heath Overfield with Engineering Associates (EA) presented information on the Energy Efficiency Retro-fit ARRA Grant Application. The State is awarding \$18 million this month in grants up to \$750,000.00 per entity. There will be another \$18 million available in January. The City is looking at three buildings - City Hall, City Shop and the Airport Terminal as potential sites to do energy upgrades. After looking at the grant application it was apparent that having an energy audit completed was an important step. There was an existing energy audit completed in 1988 for City Hall. Using that information along with information gathered, EA put in a grant application for this building and are working on applications for the other two buildings. Essentially most of the recommendations that were made in the 1988 audit have not been done, probably for monetary reasons. Based on those recommendations and current standards EA turned in an application for a \$100,000.00 project that would potentially save \$7,000 or \$8,000 a year in energy costs at City Hall. Based on the audit the city's share of the project (\$10,000) would be paid back in two years. EA will be working with their mechanical partners to see if an audit can be done at the terminal for the next round of funding.

Airport Manager/Superintendent of Public Works Thompson informed the Council that the new mosquito sprayer has come in. It will be mounted on the truck and factory technicians will be here in December to train City personnel.

City Engineer Representative Mike Donnell reminded the Council of the application the City put in for ARRA Funding for a new UV Disinfection Unit out at the wastewater treatment plant. All the funds were awarded by SLIB to the City of Cheyenne. The City was placed second on a "bucket list" of projects to be funded if funds became available. Kevin Frank with the DEQ/SRF called last week and asked if the City was going to proceed with the UV Unit project not knowing if the funding will be available or not. The municipality ahead of us on the list is proceeding with their project and if we don't proceed the State will simply fund the next project on the list if and when funds become available. The project was estimated at \$391,920.00 and the project should come in less than that. The City does have funds available from our share of the general purpose tax funds. This project needs to be done, because we are on the verge of failing tests required by the DEQ. City Engineer Representative Donnell asked the Council for approval to proceed.

Motion: to proceed with the UV Unit Project for the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

By: Councilmember Callaham.

Second by: Councilmember Nelsen.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Councilmember Jerry Alexander presented information on the settling pond that Dave Hamilton wants to put in to feed the Golf Course Pond. Charles Gilmore with the

Golf Course Management Group stated that their primary concern was to preserve the integrity of the existing pond. This settling pond and line can increase the suction in the pumps giving the Golf Course an energy cost savings of 20%-30%. Discussion followed as to the submittal of written plans and was referred to the Buildings & Grounds Commission.

Councilmember Kathy Newman reported on Family Night, September 28, 2009 at the Community Complex; there were 235 families in attendance. Mayor Lombard previously issued a proclamation in celebration of this event.

Councilmember Justin Pfeiffer apologized for being late; the internet service can be marginal.

Councilmember Loyd Worley wanted to discuss what's been going on at City Hall with respect to employee reprimands. City Attorney Richins cautioned the Council on this issue, "It is highly confidential, there are rules and procedures; there is currently an appeal filed that is going to an appeals board - it is not for public discussion. If the employee or individuals on the employees' behalf want to discuss the issue that is fine but I caution the City Council not to discuss it because we have rules and regulations. We also have a chain of command with respect to reprimands. In cases of a reprimand the employee first goes to the department head and then to an appeals board after submitting an appeal letter to the Mayor within five (5) days. If we are not going to follow the rules and regulations we might as well throw the books out and get rid of the department heads. This is not a public issue." Councilmember Nelsen and Councilmember Callaham said it should be discussed because it's already been spread all over town. City Attorney Richins stated that it is privileged information in respect to City officials and department heads; if the employee that was reprimanded wants to spread the news that is the employees business. Councilmember Hankins did not want it discussed in a public meeting. Councilmember Hazen asked for discussion on the chain of command. City Attorney Richins explained the chain of command and the appeals board process, how it is formed and how it works. Councilmember Newman asked City Attorney Richins what the Council was supposed to do if an employee came to them with a reprimand. City Attorney Richins explained that it was inappropriate for the employee to do that and if it happened the Council should refer the employee to the City Attorney. City Attorney Richins explained the difference between the grievance process and the disciplinary process.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

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Kreg Lombard, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Tracy A. Glanz, Clerk/Treasurer