

Work Session of the City Council
of Worland Wyoming
October 22, 2007

A work session for the City Council of Worland, Wyoming convened in the Council Chambers in City Hall at 7:00 p.m. on October 22, 2007. Those in attendance were: Mayor Sonny Shearer and Councilmembers: Bud Callaham, Jerry Alexander, Loyd Worley, Bob Nelsen, Justin Pfeiffer, Vasca Gilmore and Curt Christoffersen. Also present were Police Capt. Andy Williams, Clerk/Treasurer Tracy Glanz, Tom Schmeltzer with the Worland Community Complex Joint Powers Board and Mike Karr with the Northern Wyoming Daily News.

The following items were discussed:

- Self Assessment
- Worland Community Complex/Senior Citizens Center
- General Purpose Tax
- Subdivisions/Signage
- Building Department
- Police Department
- Skateboard Park
- Annexation

Discussion on **Self Assessment:**

- Need to provide 24-7 police coverage; safety issue.
- Police Department employee shortfall.
- Financial difficulty to maintain full police force.
- Each Department Head needs to give Committee a list of 10 items i.e. problem areas, budget shortfalls.
- What does a department need that it doesn't have.
- Commissions and department heads work together.
- Aging sewer lines.
- Aging infrastructure.
- Maintenance repair budget is less than other municipalities.
- City/County do a self-assessment together.
- Take care of City first.
- Need 5 to 10 year plan in place.
- Clay sewer lines need replaced.
- Need priority list with costs.
- Give department heads time; sent notice need info. next Monday (29th).
- Organization of ADHOC Advisory Committee.

Discussion on **Worland Community Complex:**

- Tom Schmeltzer asked for consideration of a waiver for a 6" water tap at the new Senior Center to be used for the inside sprinkler system (dry system). Cost is \$12,800; tap will likely never be used.
- Contractor/Architect requesting that size tap.
- Possibility of setting precedence.
- Passing tax dollars back and forth.
- Does line have to be dedicated.

- Cost to WCC with building permit/tap fee will be an estimated \$25,000.

Discussion on **General Purpose Tax:**

- Positive and negative feedback from community.
- Need detailed infrastructure information for citizens education committee.
- Need to address needs in every part of town (infrastructure).
- Need to be specific on where money is going to be spent.

Discussion on **Subdivisions/Signage:**

- Stop signs, speed limit signs who is responsible for installation and costs.

Discussion on **Building Department:**

- Building Inspector has resigned.
- Clerk/Treasurer has temporarily hired a contract person/firm until proposal brought to Council.

Discussion on **Police Department:**

- Re-hiree retiree program or “policy”.
- Request by others to use same program as Police Chief.
- Job must be advertised.
- Need complete break in service.
- Should be Council decision on re-hiree not department head.
- WAM has been contacted for legal opinion.
- Re-certification of Ordinance Officer Tolley.
- He would have to attend academy for 2 weeks.
- Should Richardson keep his certification in case the City needs officer in future.

Discussion on **Skateboard Park:**

- Get estimate on graveling entrance road.
- Possible that the Newell Sargent Foundation may pay costs.

Discussion on **Annexation:**

- Rep. Debbie Hammonds recommends annexation.
- Don't request subdivisions come into City, just annex.
- No progress made on requests.
- People receiving City services should be in City.
- Issues with Sanitation.
- Covenants can remain in place.
- Will have to deal with mainline expansion issues with annexation of several subdivisions.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Sonny Shearer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tracy A. Glanz, Clerk/Treasurer