

Utilities/Enterprise Commission
October 9, 2007

The Commission of Utilities/Enterprise met in regular session at Worland City Hall at 5:33 p.m. Commission members present were Loyd Worley and Bud Callaham. Also attending were City Engineer Mike Donnell, Clerk/Treasurer Tracy Glanz and Jilaena Childs of the Northern Wyoming Daily News. Visitors attending were John and Jo Ann Wesnitzer. Commission member Bob Nelsen was absent.

John and Jo Ann Wesnitzer requested a credit on their utilities bill for sewer charges. They paid for a sewer tap and are being charged a monthly sewer fee but do not have access to sewer until the outfall line is put in by the City.

Motion: to issue a credit for two months sewer charges to John and Jo Ann Westnitzer at 532 North Road 11.

By: Councilmember Worley.

Second by: Councilmember Callaham.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

City Engineer Mike Donnell informed the Commission that the Big Horn Regional Project Element 5B is to be substantially completed on or before October 20, 2007. "Substantial Completion" is reached when the project can be utilized for its intended purpose, even though "punch list" items are not finished. A few cleanup items will have to be done such as flushing and disinfection, and completing all the punch list items, with a final completion date of November 20, 2007. Big Horn Regional has asked for an extra year of warranty on the line from Western Municipal Contractors due to the high incidence of leaks on the line. Mike also informed the Commission that the City received a letter from Northstar Development, Inc. stating that the improvements have been completed for Phase 1 of the Aspen View Addition. City personnel will do inspections.

City Engineer Donnell received a letter from the County Planner, asking about the availability of water for the proposed Hayburner's Subdivision located north of town off of 2nd Street along the Big Horn River. Discussion followed. The Commission requested more information.

City Engineer Mike Donnell received a letter from the State Engineer's Office requesting a notice of completion of beneficial use from the City of Worland for the enlargements of Well No. 1 and Well No. 3 to serve the expanded areas. Mike recommended asking for an extension for one more year until the regional and Washakie Rural water projects are complete.

City Engineer Donnell is working on acquiring easements for the Road 11 sewer outfall and asked the Commission to consider allowing the easement considerations requested by Mike Haley such as removal of a septic tank and a future sewer tap. The Commission will recommend to the Council to accept the easement considerations. Earl Bower Farms requested a waiver of the subdivision fee as consideration for their easement off Road 11. The Commission does not recommend waiving the fee and asked that negotiations continue on this easement.

Commission member Loyd Worley asked if anything had been done about the issue addressed in the letter from the Lower Hanover Canal. City Engineer Mike Donnell will look into it and get back to the Commission.

Clerk/Treasurer Tracy Glanz presented information to clarify the proposed changes to Ordinance #732 as presented last Council meeting by the reading of Ordinance #768. Discussion followed. The Commission referred any further discussion to the Council.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

Loyd Worley, Acting Chairman

Tracy Glanz, Clerk/Treasurer