

TOWN OF WILKESON

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

January 13, 2010

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Hogerhuis called to order the Regular Council meeting of January 13, 2010.

ROLL CALL: Council members D. McQueen, R. Hanson, S. Haubrich, T. Summers, and R. Gilbert are present. Attorney Mike Reynolds is also present

Approval of the Regular Council Meeting minutes for December 30, 2009

Councilmember Summers made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes for December 30, 2009. Councilmember Gilbert seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Bills for January 13, 2010 as budgeted

Councilmember McQueen made a motion to approve the January 13, 2010 as budgeted. Councilmember Summers seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Gray & Osborne – Russ Porter Water Source Development - Bid Award

Russ Porter made a presentation on the Water Source Development project. This project is to drill some wells in our watershed. During routine testing it was discovered that there is some surface water influence to our springs that supply the town's water. With this new information the town has a few options 1) To test further and drill some wells in an effort to find enough water that is not influenced by surface water. 2) Build a water treatment plant (filtration system) to treat our drinking water. The council, at that time, decided to test further as is considerably cheaper. Gray & Osborne has been working with the town to try and find funding for the project. Last year through the Dept. of Health we were awarded over \$40,000 in ARRA money for this project. \$30,000 of which is for construction. The remaining funds are for engineering, project management, and permits. Bids announcements went out and the bid opening was on Tuesday. One bid was received from JKA Enterprises for \$37,114.14. This amount is over our funding resources. Russ Porter has spoken with the contractor and they are willing to drill only 2 wells to bring down the cost. With the requirements of the ARRA money this project must be awarded to a contractor by February 8, 2010. That only leaves this meeting and the one on the 27th to award the contractor.

Councilmember Gilbert made a motion to award the Water Source Development project to JKA Enterprises for 2 well drillings up to \$30,000. Councilmember Summers seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Gray & Osborne Contract for Albert Street Improvements

The clerk presented council with up to date information about the Albert St. Improvement Project. This is another grant that has been awarded to the town. This is through the Community Development Block Grant (Pierce County) in the amount of \$406,000, most of which are ARRA funds. This project will add sidewalks to the east side of the street along with some storm drainage and road improvements from Church Street to Roosevelt Street. This grant was applied for in 2008 and was awarded in 2009. Project is tentatively scheduled to be completed by December 2010. Gray & Osborne has given us a contract for engineering services, design and project management for this specific project and is requesting the Mayor be given authority to enter into the agreement from council.

Councilmember Summers made a motion to approve the Mayor to sign the contract with Gray & Osborne for the Albert Street Improvement Project. Councilmember Haubrich seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Schedule Tour/Study Session for Council

Mayor Hogerhuis would like to have the council take a tour of the town to become more familiar with its boundaries and the issues it faces. Council has agreed to meet on Sunday January 24, 2010 at 10 AM.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

CITIZEN'S PRESENT/COMMENTS: (Max. 2 Minutes per Person, Comments Only)

Florence Fabiani – No Comment

Sherrian Robertson – No Comment

MAYOR'S REPORT: 1) We applied for a grant last year for energy efficiency in the amount of \$135,000 and have been awarded that grant through the Dept. of Commerce. This grant will allow us to install some variable speed controls for the sewer motor saving the town up to \$6000/year. The money left over will also allow us to replace the windows in town hall and install an HVAC system while still preserving the historic value of the building. 2) I am becoming more familiar with the bank stabilization project and will continue to work on the issue. It is important to keep moving forward in getting permits and other requirement to make sure the work can be done during the fish window (July 15- Sept 15). 3) Reminder – we have two upcoming public hearings 1st one is Jan. 20th at 7:00 PM for the Shoreline Management update set by the Planning Commission and the 2nd is scheduled for January 27th at 7:30 PM regarding the acquisition of property at the North end of the parking lot parallel to Church Street.

ADJOURNMENT: Councilmember McQueen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Summers seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Approved by Council on the 27th day of January 2010

Prepared by: Meredith Shirey, Clerk _____

Attest: Mayor Donna Hogerhuis _____