

TOWN OF WILKESON
Regular Council Meeting
April 11, 2012

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Hogerhuis called to order the Regular Council meeting of April 11, 2012.

ROLL CALL: Council members T. Summers, I. Galbraith, B. Thawsh and T. Endsley were present. Attorney Mike Reynolds and Clerk/Treasurer Melanie Kohn were also present.

Councilmember Summers made a motion to excuse Councilmember S. Haubrich from the regular council meeting of April 11, 2012. Councilmember Galbraith seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of the Regular Council Meeting minutes for March 14, 2012

Councilmember Endsley made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for March 14, 2012. Councilmember Thawsh seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Bills for March 28, 2012 and April 11, 2012 as budgeted

Councilmember Summers made a motion to approve the bills for March 28, 2012 and April 11, 2012 as budgeted. Councilmember Thawsh seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

CITIZEN'S PRESENT/COMMENTS:

Kathy James – No comment

Edwin Arthur – Mr. Arthur is having difficulties accessing his property due to easement problems and would like assistance from the town. Attorney Reynolds explained that this was a civil matter and the town wouldn't be able to help. He suggested hiring a civil case lawyer and discussed some steps to take and land documentation to bring. Mr. Arthur stated that he was also concerned about a camper that someone is living in on the property adjacent to his in town. Mayor Hogerhuis asked if he could file a complaint regarding this issue and she would look into it.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Resolution No. 2012.03, authorizing the Mayor to enter into a rental agreement with the Wilkeson Historical Society for storage of historical items. Councilmember Summers made a motion to accept Resolution No. 2012.03. Councilmember Galbraith seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Ordinance No. 2012.01 Budget Amendments. Clerk/Treasurer Melanie Kohn explained the amendments to council. After some discussion, Councilmember Summers made a motion to accept Ordinance No. 2012.01 an ordinance of the Town of Wilkeson, Pierce County, Washington amending the 2012 Budget Ordinance No. 2011.11 amending the budget ordinance to recognize various revenues and expenditures not anticipated at the time of the passage of the 2012 budget. Councilmember Endsley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
2. Motion to allow the Mayor to write a Letter of Intent (LOI) for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. Mayor Hogerhuis explained if deemed eligible from the LOI, the grant would be written for a shoreline stabilization plan to decrease the effects of flooding along the creek. Councilmember Endsley made a motion to allow the Mayor to send in a letter of intent; Councilmember Galbraith seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Concern from council regarding the recent purchase of work jeans for the two union operators as eligible under WISHA in the Union Contract. After reviewing the WISHA guidelines for protective clothing, the Mayor and staff are aware of what is on the list and will not repeat this error. Councilmember Summers made a motion to accept the purchase from Big J's as a misunderstanding. Councilmember Endsley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Donation of \$50, Per Attorney Reynolds, the money is just applied to the general fund.
5. Pet Licensing Ordinance. Passage is tabled until the next council meeting on April 25, 2012.
6. Motion to accept additional funds for the Shoreline Master Plan in the amount of \$2300. Councilmember Endsley made a motion to accept, Councilmember Thawsh seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
7. Request for use of the grassy area in front of Town Hall for the May Day Metric Bicycle Ride on May 6th from 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Councilmember Summers made a motion to accept, Councilmember Galbraith seconded. Motion passed with a vote of 3-1 with Councilmember Endsley opposing.
8. Ratification of Pierce County Wide Policies. Mayor Hogerhuis decided to table this until next meeting when more information would be available.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Parks and Cemetery – 1)(Handout) Wilkeson’s Coke Oven Park Project Summary 3-7-12 2) May 2nd will be the Coke Oven Park’s second planning meeting

Rural Town Center Project and Shop Facilities – Mayor Hogerhuis talked about the Corridor Meeting. We had a great turn-out and she strongly encourages everyone to review the posters in the council chambers and fill out the comment cards.

Hazard Emergency Plan, Fire and Firewise – Town employee, Luke Wilbanks, attended the Firewise Workshop and he will share the information from the workshop at the next council meeting.

MAYOR’S REPORT: 1) Working with the Shoreline Master Plan timeline 2) Created a citizen sign-up sheet for support of the Mitigation Grant 3) Sent out an updated application for the Heritage Grant 4) Trisha will be planning a community fundraiser for the proposed skateboard park

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Department of Energy/Notification of scheduled maintenance
2. Pierce County Animal Control
3. East Pierce Fire and Rescue

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Thawsh made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Endsley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Approved by Council on the 25th day of April, 2012

Prepared by: Melanie Kohn, Clerk _____

Attest: Mayor Donna Hogerhuis _____