

TOWN OF WILKESON
Public Hearings for the 2012 Budget
Regular Council Meeting
November 22, 2011

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Hogerhuis called to order the Public Hearing and the Regular Council meeting of November 22, 2011 at 6:45PM.

ROLL CALL: Council members R. Gilbert, B. Thawsh, T. Summers and S. Haubrich were present. Clerk/Treasurer Melanie Kohn was also present.

Councilmember Summers made a motion to excuse D. McQueen from the public hearing and regular council meeting of November 22, 2011. Councilmember Thawsh seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Open Public Hearing for 2012 Budget: Mayor opened public hearing at 6:45pm

Mayor Hogerhuis presented the proposed budget.

Citizen Comments: None present

Close Public Hearing: Mayor closed public hearing at 7:00pm.

Open Regular Council Meeting: Mayor opened the regular council meeting at 7:00pm.

Approval of the Regular Council Meeting minutes for November 9, 2011

Councilmember Gilbert made a motion to approve the Public Hearings and Regular Meeting Minutes for November 9, 2011. Councilmember Haubrich seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Bills for November 22, 2011 as budgeted

Councilmember Haubrich made a motion to approve the bills for November 22, 2011 as budgeted. Councilmember Summers seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Ordinance No. 2011.10 Water Rate Increase

Council discussed the proposed water rate increase. Councilmember Summers made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2011.10 by title only. Councilmember Gilbert seconded. Councilmember Haubrich asked if our town attorney, Mike Reynolds, had a chance to review the Rainier Ranch Sites contract to see if their water rates could be increased. Mayor Hogerhuis instructed Clerk/Treasurer Melanie Kohn to forward the contract to Mr. Reynolds for his review. Until further information is available Councilmember's Summers and Gilbert rescinded their motions. Ordinance No. 2011.10 was tabled until the December 14th meeting.

2. Ordinance No. 2011.09 EMS Levy

Councilmember Gilbert made a motion to accept Ordinance No. 2011.09, an ordinance of the Town of Wilkeson, Pierce County, Washington complying with RCW 84.55.120 requesting the highest lawful EMS levy for 2012. Councilmember Summers seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Request from citizen for credit of \$22.50 for late charges

Council discussed the request and after reviewing the prior history decided to deny the request.

2. EECBG Town Hall HVAC Project

Mayor Hogerhuis explained the proposed Change Order No. 1 for the Town Hall HVAC Project. Included in the change order is providing heat to the archive room which will greatly help with preserving the town's historical documents. All changes, including debits and credits, are included in the grant so it will be at no extra cost to the town. Councilmember Summers made a motion to accept Change Order No. 1. Councilmember Haubrich seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT: 1) Community Block Grant – Gray & Osborne said that we may not be eligible for this grant because there are low income requirements associated with the grant. The three streets from the 6-year Street Plan that might qualify are: Davis, Pearl, and the second half of Albert. 2) We still haven't heard anything about the grant for Cothary Street, although it isn't looking favorable. 3) I'm continuing to look for available grants.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

CITIZEN'S PRESENT/COMMENTS: None

CORRESPONDENCE:

Pierce County letter

Planning Commission Minutes: October and November 2011

ADJOURNMENT

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

Approved by Council on the 14th day of December, 2011

Prepared by: Melanie Kohn, Clerk _____

Attest: Mayor Donna Hogerhuis _____