

**Town of Wilkeson**  
Regular Council Meeting  
March 09th, 2022

**ROLL CALL:** Called to order at 6:00- presided by Mayor Sellers. Council members Murphy, Thawsh, Sellers and Farmer were present. Clerk Marie Wellock was present as well.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Minutes of the regular meeting held February 23rd, 2022
2. Approval bills as budgeted for March 9th, 2022
3. Approval of Resolution 2022.04 - approving the updates made to the Town's Parks and Recreation Plan for future grant funding eligibility with the Recreation and Conservation Office.
4. Approval of Resolution 2022.05 – giving the mayor authority to enter into contract with the Department of Commerce for the overages incurred with the Foothills Trail Project.
5. Approval of CodeRED service order for mass communication means for the Town of Wilkeson.

**Motion made by council member Farmer to approve consent agenda, seconded by council member Sellers voted on and carried.**

**CITIZENS PRESENT/ COMMENTS:**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Tacoma Pierce County Health Department is hosting a Covid Vaccine Clinic for people 5 years and up. It will go from 11am to 3pm. There will also be resources available to citizens in need of rental and utility assistance.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Police Stats were reviewed for the month of February. Council and Mayor still concerned about the speeding that is witnessed and reported by community verses the traffic stops and citations given.

**MAYORS REPORT:**

-We have reached out to the Department of Ecology, Department of Military and Council Members Morrells' office regarding the inner banks of the Creek in town and that there are areas of grave concerns, where century old retaining walls are beginning to lose stones and banks are eroding putting homes in danger. We need to see what is available to assist these home owners to protect their properties and keep structures from being lost to high waters.

**COUNCIL REPORTS**

**Parks & Trails/ Emergency Services, Krista Farmer-** nothing new to report

**Community Development, Ashley Murphy-**

- Attended the Friends of the Carbon Canyon Meeting at the Pick, there is a clean up from the Mowich Y to Manley Moore Road on Mar 27<sup>th</sup> from 10-2, all are welcome to help. The Soda Shop is looking for a "Master Gardener" to assist with the community garden space. CM Murphy would like to see a community calendar that incorporates Wilkeson, Buckley and Carbonado events. Would like to set up another Chamber of Commerce Meeting to go over goals and needs of the town Businesses. One item we need to work on is garbage receptacles around the town. There are a lot of tourists that come through and we need to make sure that there are places where garbage is able to be disposed of properly, so it keeps our community clean. Perhaps the businesses would help sponsor this?

**Cemetery & Emergency Services, Bambi Thawsh-** Mayor, CM Thawsh and CM Murphy will meet on Friday 3/11 to go over the final banner plan. There was a lot of discussion regarding the logging at the cemetery and how to protect the markers and graves that are there. There is not a permit required for this kind of work because it is for grounds improvement, so parking and road improvements can be made at the cemetery. Also the town is the recipient of grant from Pierce County Historic Preservation for a photo project for the town council chambers.

**Streets/Sidewalks, Bill Summers-** Will be picking up the Lumber that has been in "Will Call" for quite some time and we are ready to pick it up

**Utilities, Rick Sellers-** Has started working on some policy and procedure needs for the Town. Staff prefer electronic work, much of the council is used to a paper system of clip boards and binders. He will be working with the council and staff to come up with a workable plan for everyone. Clerk brought up a compromise of using a shared server/network drive for this kind of documentation that could perhaps satisfy the needs of both parties. This is a work in progress, will continue pushing forward.

**ADJOURNMENT-** Council member Summers motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:56pm, council member Thawsh seconded, motion carried.