

Town of Wilkeson
Regular Council Meeting
June 14th, 2023

ROLL CALL: Meeting called to order at 6:00- presided by, Mayor Sellers. Council members Farmer, Murphy, Thawsh, Summers, and Sellers were present. Clerk Wellock was also present.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes of the regular meeting held June 14th, 2023
2. Approval of the bills for June 14th, 2023, as budgeted
3. Resolution 2023.08 to enter into contract with Gray and Osborn for the comprehensive plan update.
4. Resolution 2023.09 to enter into contract with Miken Dirtworx, LLC for the emergency repairs on SR 165/ Sinkhole
5. Motion to accept bid from Valkyrie Construction LLC for the parking lot seal coating, striping and other pavement markings in the amount of 3622.17 with the parking lot stops being provided by the town.
6. Motion to approve Evergreen Rural Water to conduct wastewater system smoke testing July 25th 2023.

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

CITIZENS PRESENT/ COMMENTS:

Sara Sutterfield- Applied for a grant for the garden for sustainable plants specifically those that are essential in shoreline erosion control. The amount is \$375 and requires no matching dollars.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **Historic Sidewalk Project-** council discussed the concerns that WSDOT has brought up regarding drainage concerns around the post office and to Davis Street. Council member Summers motioned to accept the project as it is, seconded by council member Murphy and carried
2. **R&H Truck Bodies** – Continued concerns being brought up by the owner of the property and the neighboring properties. Council member Summers asked if our code would allow them to construct a taller wood fence along the back to hopefully shield them from some of the noise. Marie checking with Emily and Chief Skogen if this is possible.
3. **Parking Lot Curbs** – motion made by council member Murphy to purchase rubber parking stops, seconded by council member Summers and carried

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Police Stats May** – reviewed. Concerns over the lack of enforcement of parking laws and lack of enforcement for speeding in town. Marie to reach out Attorney Reynolds regarding the ordinances and if there are changes that need to be made to conduct more effective enforcement.

MAYORS REPORT:

1. **Future Comprehensive & Development plan.** The planning committee for this project is working on the introduction of this plan to the public. Council Murphy was provided guidelines for setting up the planning committee, provided by the town's planner Emily Torrell.
2. **AWC Delegate Meeting-** The town has the opportunity to send 3 delegates to the AWC meeting in Spokane. The meeting is also online. Any interested delegates should be registered by 6/15 at 5pm. Contact Marie if you're interested.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Parks & Trails/ Emergency Services, Krista Farmer- We met with Grace Roberts, a local with a lot of experience writing grants to talk about some of the things that we need and want to address in our parks.

Community Development, Ashley Murphy- New banners will be ordered within the next week. The website should be up this weekend, but there will be more added as time goes on. The community hub updates are coming along. We are searching for the best and most cost efficient way to transport ecology blocks. Summer of safety, All Wheels Rodeo was postponed due to weather. Wilkeson Carbonado garage sale “ Carbon Canyon Junk Hunt” will be July 8th. More information attached.

Cemetery & Emergency Services, Bambi Thawsh- mayor has submitted some ideas for the cemetery, and everyone is welcome to submit ideas. There will be a committee meeting on 6/15, and everyone is welcome to submit ideas. The bus turn around continues to be an issue. People are reckless with it. Her home is getting peppered with gravel, at all hours of the day and night. We need to find a way to pave it to stop this behavior.

Streets/Sidewalks, Bill Summers- There are several TIB grants that we would be eligible for this year. We need to apply for them. Also, TIB will fund roundabouts. Perhaps this is the solution for the bus turn around.

Utilities, Rick Sellers- we received a quote for RAS pumps, I seemed high and we are awaiting a second quote.

ADJOURNMENT- Council member Sellers motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 pm, seconded by council member Summers, voted on and carried.