TOWN OF WILSON CREEK REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING April 8, 2021 – remote/online meeting via Google Meet

<u>Council Present</u>: Mayor Kevin Newland, Councilmember Scott Mortimer, Councilmember Raymond Kelby, Councilmember Debbie Moore, and Councilmember Karl Hinze.

<u>Staff Present</u>: Kaci Anderson and Lyle Komarek.

Regular Council Meeting – 6:00 pm

- **A. Open Meeting:** Mayor Kevin Newland called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and led with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **B. Approval of Minutes:** Motion made by S. Mortimer, seconded by K. Hinze, and carried to approve the minutes for the regular meeting on March 11, 2021.
- C. Public Comment: None.
- D. Council Concerns and Issues:
 - 1. S. Mortimer noted one of the concrete planters near the clock on Railroad Street had been tipped over and dumped out. He picked it up after he saw it Sunday afternoon. He asked the Town would like Wilson Creek School horticulture students to submit a bid for the Town's flower pots around town. Mayor Newland invited the bid, adding that last year's soil was not removed from the pots. S. Mortimer will email a bid soon. No update as of yet regarding potential museum donations from the school. He asked for clarification regarding why councilmembers and other employees who earn less than \$600 per year from the Town, receive a W-2. K. Anderson replied that because deductions like social security and medicare are applied to employee checks, a W-2 must be issued regardless of income level.
 - **2.** Council discussed the inoperable clock face on the street clock and the possibility of replacing it with a digital clock.
 - **3.** K. Hinze offered suggestions to update the council procedure/policy after reviewing the document with councilmember R. Kelby. An updated draft of the document will be worked up for council review at an upcoming meeting.
 - **4.** K. Hinze asked if, and it was confirmed that, the Town and/or Council has previously worked with high school students needing community services hours for graduation requirements.

E. Reports

1. Mayor's Address

- i. Mayor Newland is continuing his work with Grant County Sheriff's Office toward setting up a town Community Watch program. Chief Deputy Ken Jones is attempting to get signs, and other individuals within GCSO may be able to assist with getting security cameras installed on a closed loop, which would be accessible by law enforcement if incidents occur. Once more is known, Mayor Newland would like to invite residents and community members to an open meeting to discuss details.
- **ii.** After issuing warnings/notices, some vehicles have been removed off town property and street right-of-way. A second round of notices will start going out next week before 24-hour tow notices are issued.

2. Maintenance/Public Works Report:

- i. L. Komarek shared the following:
 - With rising temperatures, weeds are starting to come up. Because areas were not fertilized last year, he would like to fertilize the parks in town. He estimates approximately \$55 per sack of fertilizer for 5-6 sacks. He also stated weed spraying will start soon and discussed methods he plans to use.
 - **2.** Bathroom parks are open as of April 7. The sprinkler system will be fully operational as of tomorrow, April 9.
 - **3.** A bid of \$200 was received for the old electric golf cart. Council discussed surplus of the cart and encouraged it be advertised online. Council also discussed a brief history of attempted repair work on the golf cart. Motion made by K. Hinze, seconded by D. Moore, and carried to approve the sale of golf cart for a minimum of \$300 unrepaired/as-is.
- **ii.** Council suggested asking Farm Supply for bids/prices on fertilizer, weed and feed, etc.

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- iii. Mayor Newland pointed out that L. Komarek painted the red walls in the council room and front office. The outer brick needs sealed in order to prevent future water damage. Council discussed potential options for repair. Mayor Newland is looking into a Loss Prevention Grant from RMSA to help cover repair costs.
- **iv.** L. Komarek also noted he repaired and painted the sheetrock in the well house. A leak in the well house will be investigated tomorrow by Water Manager J. Loveland. Water lines in the park were also dug up with J. Loveland, to identify leaks, and they will continue work on that tomorrow.

3. Clerk/Treasurer Report

i. Bills, Checks & Electronic Withdrawal: Motion made by D. Moore, seconded by S. Mortimer, and carried to approve the Town's current fiscal status and to pay the April 2021 bills as follows:

Accounts Payable	
CLAIMS: Check numbers 10646 – 10653\$	4,362.80
PAYROLL: Check numbers 10654 – 10663\$	2,378.18
EFT payments\$	3,889.90
Total\$	10,630.88
Bank Account Balances	
U.S. Bank\$	194,728.15
Grant County Treasurer (as of 2/28/2021)\$	112,152.92
Total\$	306,881.07

- F. Old Business: None.
- G. New Business: None.
- **H. Adjournment:** Motion made by S. Mortimer, seconded by D. Moore, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 pm. The next regular council meeting is Thursday, May 13, 2021, at 6:00 pm.