

TOWN OF WILSON CREEK
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 9, 2023 – remote/online meeting via Google Meet

Council Present: Mayor Robert Herron, Councilmembers Karl Hinze, Raymond Kelby, Debbie Moore. Councilmember Scott Mortimer arrived at 6:24 pm. Council Present Remotely: Councilmember Jerrod Johnson. Council Absent: None. Staff Present: Kaci Anderson.

Regular Council Meeting

- A. Open Meeting:** Mayor Robert Herron called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and led with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- B. Approval of Minutes:** Motion made by R. Kelby, seconded by D. Moore, and carried to approve the minutes for the regular meeting on February 9, 2023.
- C. Public Comment:**

1. Fire Hydrants, Truck Route, Yard Waste, Cost Information/Enforcement

i. Gayle Price:

- a. Asked for update on fire hydrant repairs. Mayor Herron confirmed necessary maintenance cannot be performed in winter weather and they should be fixed in April and provided a brief overview of hydrant mechanics and servicing.
- b. Inquired about yard waste pick-up for 2023. Mayor Herron stated that due to staffing issues, this item is undetermined at this time.
- c. Asked about city code regarding home-based businesses run in residential zones. K. Anderson suggested bringing these questions to her at Town Hall to better address specific questions and concerns. She will work with Mrs. Price to get her questions answered. Councilmember J. Johnson asked that concerns such as these be submitted in writing so the Town can address them in an orderly fashion.

ii. Karen Kauffman: Asked about fire hydrant servicing and regular maintenance. Mayor Herron provided a brief overview of hydrant mechanics and servicing. Fire District representatives stated the hydrants are serviced quarterly.

iii. Kathy Bohnet:

- a. Provided a brief history from her time as mayor regarding the grant the Town received to obtain the tractor and yard waste container.
- b. Expressed concern about the conditions of Kathy Avenue and provided information for TIB and Grant County regarding road work.

2. Request to Vacate Portion of Broadway: K. Anderson supplied copy of written request. Motion made by D. Moore, seconded by S. Mortimer, and carried to deny request to vacate portion of Broadway. Motion carried. Request denied.

D. Council Concerns and Issues:

- 1. J. Johnson expressed concern regarding the telemetry system bid on the agenda regarding best use of funds. Suggested potential other uses such as cameras or employee wages. Mayor

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Herron reminded the council that money for the telemetry system would be from a grant that has specific approved uses. Other possibilities suggested would not fit parameters of the grant.

E. Reports

1. Mayor’s Address and Maintenance/Public Works: Mayor Herron reported the following:

- i. A sprayer was purchased for less than \$4,000.00. This will be used in conjunction with current equipment.
- ii. It was reported that an individual in town asked our public works employee to open the park bathrooms for a funeral. This request was not made through Town Hall and neither the mayor nor the clerk had received any notification. Mayor Herron made the decision to not de-winterize the bathrooms and for them to remain closed due to still freezing temperatures at night.
- iii. Darren Herreid brought in fill dirt to fill sink holes in the park. Council requested a thank-you card for them to sign to send. K. Anderson will bring one next month for signatures.

2. Clerk/Treasurer Report

- i. **Bills, Checks & Electronic Withdrawal:** Motion made by S. Mortimer, seconded by R. Kelby, and carried to approve the Town’s current fiscal status and pay the March 2023 bills as follows:

Accounts Payable

PAYROLL: Check #11106 – 11114.....	\$	1,612.41
CLAIMS: Check #11115 – 11124	\$	9,954.41
EFT payments	\$	1,911.14
TOTAL	\$	13,477.96

Bank Account Balances

U.S. Bank 2/28/2023	\$	346,377.22
Grant County 1/31/2022	\$	114,056.57
TOTAL	\$	460,433.79

F. Old Business: J. Johnson asked to confirm cost for ongoing codification project.

G. New Business

- 1. **Bid Approval for ITC for Telemetry System:** Motion made by D. Moore, seconded by K. Hinze, and carried to approve the bid as presented in the amount of \$24,006.91.

H. Adjournment: Motion made by K. Hinze, seconded by R. Kelby, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 pm. The next regular council meeting is Thursday, April 13, 2023, at 6:00 pm.

_____ Mayor _____ Clerk _____ April 13, 2023 _____ Date