

TOWN OF WILSON CREEK
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 13, 2023 – remote/online meeting via Google Meet

Council Present: Mayor Robert Herron, Councilmember Raymond Kelby, Councilmember Debbie Moore, Councilmember Karl Hinze, and Councilmember Scott Mortimer. Council Present Remotely: None.
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. Introduction of Councilmember Position 3 Candidates:** Mayor Herron welcomed and introduced the candidates for Council Position 3: Shirley Billings, Kevin Esteb, Keith Jensen, and Kevin Newland. Mayor Herron noted candidate Kellie Ribail was unable to attend. Each candidate was allowed up to five minutes to introduce themselves and add anything not included in their letters of interest to the council. All candidates indicated they had nothing to add but were available to answer questions from the council.
- C. Executive Session [RCW 42.30.110(1)(a)(h) to evaluate the qualifications of a candidate for appointment to elective office]:** At 6:07 pm, Mayor Herron announced the council would begin executive session for approximately 15 minutes, to evaluate the qualifications of candidates for Council Position 3. At 6:23 pm, Mayor Herron extended executive session for 5 minutes. Council returned to regular session at 6:26 pm. Mayor Herron thanked all candidates for their interest.
- D. Appointment of Councilmember Position 3:** Motion made by S. Mortimer, seconded by D. Moore, to appoint Kellie Ribail to Council Position 3 effective August 10, 2023. Via voice vote, there were two in favor and two opposed. Citing RCW 35.27.280 in the case of a tie-breaker, Mayor Herron voted in favor of the motion on the table. Motion passed.
- E. Approval of Minutes:** Motion made by S. Mortimer, seconded by R. Kelby, and carried to approve the minutes for the regular meeting on June 8, 2023.
- F. Public Comment:** The council discussed ongoing weed control and street repairs. Mayor Herron shared a quote from Grant County to repair Kathy Boulevard.
- G. Council Concerns and Issues:**
1. S. Mortimer suggested weed control contract extension to include sidewalks and tree grates on Railroad Street. Mayor Herron mentioned he is gathering information about applying to be a part of the Community Service program to potentially have workers pull weeds in alleys.
 2. S. Mortimer reported H.D. Fowler has delays in returning to finish repair on hydrant on Sprague Street.
 3. K. Hinze reminded council about graffiti at skate park. D. Moore offered to help if the necessary materials are supplied. Discussion led to broken concrete tabletop at the skate park: Mayor Herron will contact Moses Lake Steel for quotes on a steel top.
 4. K. Hinze mentioned flags that need replaced and trees on Sprague/6th Street that are hanging low over the road.

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H. Reports

1. **Mayor’s Address and Maintenance/Public Works:** Mayor Herron discussed the following:
 - i. Previously shared estimate from Grant County regarding street repairs. Motion made by K. Hinze, seconded by D. Moore, and carried unanimously to allow Mayor Herron to spend up to the estimated \$16,731.75 to Grant County for street repairs.

2. **Clerk/Treasurer Report:**

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

<u>Accounts Payable:</u>	PAYROLL: Check #11184 – 11192	\$ 1,998.22
	CLAIMS: Check #11193 – 11201.....	\$ 29,394.30
	EFT payments	\$ 4,602.00
	TOTAL	\$ 35,994.52
 <u>Bank Account Balances:</u>	U.S. Bank	 \$ 345,153.15
	Grant County	\$ 115,270.17
	TOTAL	\$ 460,423.32

I. Old Business:

1. **Updates from Code Publishing:** Code draft was sent to proofing on July 6. Barring questions, we should have a proof within a few weeks.

J. New Business:

1. **Interlocal Agreement with WCSD:** WCSD Superintendent Laura Christian was unable to attend. Council briefly discussed history of agreements regarding Town equipment. Motion made by D. Moore, seconded by R. Kelby, and carried to table the matter pending further information.
2. **Contract Amendment with Consolidated Disposal Services, Inc.:** K. Anderson shared contract amendments regarding rate increases from CDSI alongside current Town rates to customers and suggested maintaining current rates to customers. Council agreed.

- K. **Adjournment:** Motion made by D. Moore, seconded by K. Hinze, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 pm. The next regular council meeting is Thursday, August 10, 2023, at 6:00 pm.

_____ Mayor _____ Clerk August 13, 2023 Date