

TOWN OF WILSON CREEK
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 10, 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 6:01 pm and led with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- B. Oath of Office – Kellie Ribail, Council Position 3:** Mayor Herron administered the oath of office for Council Position 3 to Kellie Ribail, appointed by council on July 13, 2023.
- C. Approval of Minutes:** Motion made by D. Moore, seconded by K. Hinze, and carried to approve the minutes for the regular meeting on July 13, 2023.
- D. Public Comment:** Karen Kauffman apologized for comments made during last month’s meeting.
- E. Council Concerns and Issues:**
1. R. Kelby mentioned weeds in some alleys in town. S. Mortimer asked if any is breakthrough from contracted spraying earlier this year; Mayor Herron will contact Bishop.
 2. R. Kelby noted the parks are looking nice; council agreed.
 3. K. Hinze requested the Town officially acknowledge former Mayor Kevin Newland in light of his recent passing. Council agreed unanimously and gratefully recognizes Mr. Newland’s invaluable work and time spent devoted to the Town of Wilson Creek.
- F. Reports**
1. **Mayor’s Address and Maintenance/Public Works:** Mayor Herron discussed the following:
 - i. There is a broken water line at Veterans Park. Until the area between the sidewalk and the control valve can be dug up for repairs to be made, the valves are being manually turned on and off to water the area.
 - ii. Expecting a quote from lawn maintenance after he has been asked to do perimeter work along Railroad Street as well as around the parks and tree bases.
 - iii. For the sake of transparency, Mayor Herron briefly discussed the processes behind services such as yard waste and street repairs. When full yard waste bins are full and requested to be replaced, the Town is having to wait sometimes up to two to three weeks depending on staff/driver and container availability from CDSI. Road improvements have been approved at the Town and County levels. Now we just have to wait for County staff availability to complete the work. The County has placed signs on Kathy Boulevard in the meantime.
 - iv. Mayor Herron complimented the cemetery’s appearance and shared his appreciation at its level of care recently.

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2. Clerk/Treasurer Report:

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

<u>Accounts Payable:</u>	PAYROLL: Check #11202 – 11211	\$ 1,850.01
	CLAIMS: Check #11212 – 11222.....	\$ 10,077.35
	EFT payments	\$ 1,728.71
	TOTAL	\$ 13,656.07
 <u>Bank Account Balances:</u>	U.S. Bank	\$ 323,064.60
	Grant County	\$ 115,530.31
	TOTAL	\$ 438,594.91

G. Old Business:

- 1. Interlocal Agreement with WCSD:** Wilson Creek School District Superintendent Laura Christian shared she was asked by the school’s Board of Directors to work on reinstating an interlocal agreement with the Town to share the use and cost of maintenance on heavy equipment. Mayor Herron discussed his concerns from a Public Works perspective. The council and Mrs. Christmas discussed the history of past agreements as well as the potential of an agreement based on Town employee(s) operating the equipment for the school. After discussion, consensus was reached that the school will explore other options.

H. New Business:

- 1. Grant County Fire 12 Short Plat:** After discussion, motion was made by K. Ribail, seconded by K. Hinze, and carried to approve the first reading of the short plat as presented with the stipulation that it is aligned with all city codes and regulations, and state RCW and any other relevant regulations.

- I. Adjournment:** Motion made by K. Hinze, seconded by D. Moore, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:51 pm. The next regular council meeting is Thursday, September 14, 2023, at 6:00 pm.

_____ Mayor _____ Clerk September 14, 2023 Date