

Town of Wilkeson
Regular Council Meeting
October 13th, 2021

PUBLIC HEARING: Hearing opened at 6pm- Soliciting public comment for FY 2022 Budget- Public present has no comment. Comment received prior was addressing speeding concerns. Council Member Zumba brought an old quote for radar signs and this will be considered for FY 2022 Budget.

ROLL CALL: Called to order at 6:00- presided by Mayor Sellers. Council members Thawsh, Sellers, Bachmeier, Zumba and Summers were present. Clerk Marie Wellock was present as well as Attorney Reynolds.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes of the regular meeting held September 22th, 2021
2. Approval of bills as budgeted for October 13th, 2021
3. Leak Credit 1690.1
4. Approval of CO from Scarsella Bros for Bank Stabilization Project in the amount of 12719.11

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

CITIZENS PRESENT/ COMMENTS:

David Toyer- RE: Burnett Plat- there was an issue with the draft developers agreement and clearing up some language. The language has to do with when they can construct the waterline. They would like this language gone because often times developments change hands/ LLC's during the process.

- Attorney Reynolds added discussion regarding why he feels that there should be a master meter there and who should be responsible for those lines when the subdivision is completed. He would like rate schedules to reflect usage in the event of water shortages.

Chief Skogen presenting 3rd Quarter Activity Report. Dishwasher went out at the station and had to be replaced. He will forward the invoice to Wilkeson. Buckley has an additional Engine in service right now and it will ensure that all the stations are covered if an Engine needs any kind of services. The City of Buckley is proposing a 6% increase for shared services. We have 3 stations dispatched with every call for service in Wilkeson with having Carbonado contracted with the City of Buckley. This increase will be \$1620/ year.

Motion made by council member Summers to accept the 6% increase for EMS services, seconded by council member Thawsh and passed.

John Hilding- Would like to see the process started for restrooms at bacon and eggs. Discussions about how to fundraise for this and some options for who would hold the funds. Will reach out to grindline for budget ideas and a conceptual drawing. Once those things are completed we can start applying with RCO for funding for this.

Daryl Dinwiddie- additional discussions regarding the booster club, not being a 501 c 3, but rather a 501 c 4. That is not considered a charity/ charitable donation so at this point they cant solicit "donations" for Bacon and Eggs. He now owns the Hotel and needs to get in contact with SCJ regarding the sidewalk elevations so he can know what height is necessary when he lifts the structure for a proper foundation. He will be working on securing the structure and stopping further damage to the building. Is trying to get it open for Halloween to allow people to walk through the downstairs like a mini haunted house.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Q3 financials distributed, discussions regarding big ticket items that we need to do for FY2022

2. Review Backhoe Quotes- Discussions regarding new vs used and what direction we want to go. Emphasis on making a decision and going forward with the plan.
3. Police Stats for 9/2021 Reviewed along with the proposed contract increase for 2022. **Council member Thawsh motioned to approve the 3% increase as well as the additional dispatching costs, council member Bachmeier seconded, motion carried**
4. Budget Items Discussed- Radar signs are being considered because of the concerns of speeding.
5. MagLock for bathroom? There has been concerns about the bathroom and closing it through the night. Mayor will reach out to some of his bank contacts to see what systems are a good fit for what we need.
6. Banner and Wreath Donations- Jeff will donate to the cause. Bambi and Rich as well

MAYORS REPORT:

COUNCIL REPORTS

Parks & Trails/ Emergency Services, Berkley Bachmeier- Mike marked the trees that he thought was a danger. He is going to create sections for bids. This way things can be bid and prioritized in the coming budgets.

Community Development, Mark Zumba- Speed sign quote will be presented when the new quote arrives

Cemetery & Emergency Services, Bambi Thawsh- Urn garden needs more bark. Asplund is willing to take out a large cottonwood tree down at coke oven park.

Streets/Sidewalks, Bill Summers- Nothing at this time

Utilities, Rick Sellers- Nothing at this time.

Executive Session:

HBHansen Litigation- Opened at 6:25, 15 minutes allotted, closed at 7:40

Labor Contract-

ADJOURNMENT- Council member Summers motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:41pm, council member Zumba seconded, motion carried.