

Wrenshall City Council

November 7, 2013, 7:00 PM Regular Meeting

Attendance: Duane Ziebarth, John Tanner, Jeff Kimmes, Melvin Martindale, Mike Hyland, Alieca Johnson, Renae House, Gary Butala, Dolores Dennie, Harvey Korby, Chris Erickson, Chad Pfau, Mark Wallace, Jared Demaster and Joe Jurewicz.

Motion by Martindale; seconded by Tanner to approve the Agenda as presented with a change to 9 d) allowing for the appointment of “three” new members to the planning commission. Motion carried.

Motion by Ziebarth; seconded by Kimmes to approve the Consent Agenda including checks as follows: Pre-paids-#25701-#25713 (25700 & 25714 VOID)....\$26,048.17; Payroll-#25715-#25725...\$4,443.69; November bills-#25726-#25744 & 11/07/13-1 thru -3.....\$13,108.22; and Electronic Transfers- DC10/13-1 thru -6; 10/11/13-1 thru -3; & ETR13-6.....\$6463.72. Motion carried. The payment to DeCaigny Excavating approved 10/3/13 in the amount of \$7800 was paid based on actual invoice of \$5,023.12. The details of the most recent MSA billing were also discussed.

MSA presented a proposal for studying the City’s storm water system. The phases of the project and STAR Grant monies that may be available were explained. Timing of the project, other grants that may be available, and planning commission involvement were also discussed. MSA’s memo on the condition of sewer lines and the best way for the city to proceed with repairs will need to be clarified. Temporary and permanent easement documents for the water line extension will be sent to Frank Yetka for review prior to contacting affected landowners.

The Fire Relief Association asked for approval to increase yearly benefits. Motion by Hyland; seconded by Tanner to approve an increase from \$500/year of service to \$550/year of service. Motion carried. The increase will be effective January 1, 2014.

John Tanner and city staff will work together to complete the County Capabilities Inventory required as part of County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Planning. The completed form will be returned to Brian Belich as requested.

Clerk: Motion by Ziebarth; seconded by Tanner to approve the submittal of nine delinquent water/sewer accounts totaling \$5,096.56 to the County for collection with 2014 taxes. City CDs at MCCU and Fransden Bank have renewed for additional one-year terms..

The planning commission met for its first quarterly meeting on 10/24/13. Amending Ordinance 13-04 was considered and presented to the Council:

WHEREAS; it is the intention of the City of Wrenshall to establish a planning commission made up of five to seven members from the resident populations of the City, Silver Brook Township and Wrenshall Township; with a majority of the members from the City's resident population; and further clarifying that if a member of the planning commission runs for city office and is elected that person shall vacate his/her seat on the commission; and

WHEREAS; it is necessary that City Code, Title III, Section 31.46 (A) be amended to include these changes.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that City Code, Title III, Section 31.45 (A) shall hereby be changed and Amending Ordinance 13-04 shall hereby be executed, adopted and made a part of the Wrenshall City Code.

Ziebarth-YES; Tanner-YES; Kimmes-YES; Martindale-YES; Tanner-YES.

Motion by Ziebarth; seconded by Tanner to appoint Cindy Washnesky, Tom Cawcutt and Chad Pfau as new members of the Wrenshall Planning Commission.. Motion carried.

AT&T Lease: Motion by Ziebarth; seconded by Tanner to approve and execute the proposed Second Amendment to Tower Space Land Lease Agreement. Motion carried. CDSS will be contacted to see if they are still interested in tower space. Motion by Martindale; seconded by Ziebarth to deposit in each year the first three monthly tower rental payments into the Water Tower Fund and the remaining nine monthly payments into the Water Fund. Motion carried.

A Safe Routes to Schools kickoff meeting was held last week. Problems and solutions were discussed. The next meeting was set for 12/4/13 and all interested community members are encouraged to attend

Councilor Kimmes submitted a letter of resignation from the council effective December 31, 2013.

Motion by Tanner; seconded by Kimmes to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 PM. Motion carried.