

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF WRAY, COLORADO
JANUARY 13, 2015

The board of council met in Regular Session on January 13, 2015, at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor	Joe Foltmer
Mayor Pro tem	Ronn Akey
Council Members	K.T. Gregg
	Tyler Lightle
	John Willard
	Bernard Hassman
	Jodi Brady
City Manager	James DePue
City Clerk	Ida L. Peery, CMC
City Attorney	Alvin Wall

Call to Order

Mayor Joe Foltmer called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes

Council member Tyler Lightle made a motion to approve November 11, 2014 Minutes. The motion was seconded and passed with five supporting votes. Council members John Willard and Butch Hassman abstained from the vote.

Council member Ronn Akey made a motion to approve the amended December 9, 2014 Minutes. The motion was seconded and passed with six supporting votes. Council member Tyler Lightle abstained from the vote.

Public Hearing

At 7:32 P.M., Mayor Joe Foltmer called to order the Public Hearing, continued from the December 9, 2014 Council Meeting, for the Wray Wastewater Treatment Facility Preliminary Engineering Report for the State Revolving Loan Fund.

City Manager James DePue explained that the Wray Wastewater Treatment Facility Preliminary Engineering Report would be submitted to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment to pre-qualify the wastewater facility for a State Revolving Fund Loan. City Manager James DePue stated that the scope of the project had not changed and alternative solutions have been recommended by the State Engineers. Based upon the current household income medium, the City of Wray would qualify for a 20 year loan at 0% interest for up to \$2,000,000. The estimated cost of the Wastewater Treatment Facility is \$5,057,600.

There were no public comments and at 7:45 P.M., Mayor Joe Foltmer closed the Public Hearing.

Alec Telthorst - Blue Trail Technologies, Darlene Carpio - YCEDC-RFP Broadband - Revised

Mayor Joe Foltmer advised that neither Alec Telthorst nor Darlene Carpio would be present for the meeting and that the RFP would be explained in the Manager's Report.

Manager's Report

City Manager James DePue explained that the purpose for the Request For Proposals Document was to obtain information to build, maintain, and operate broadband services. The Council was informed that NECALG was involved in a regional broadband master plan which would be broad enough to allow each entity to make individual decisions. City Manager James DePue recommended developing a public/private partnership and explained the changes to the wording in the RFP.

Manager's Report Continued

City Manager James DePue explained the cost benefits and grant opportunities available through a City of Yuma, City of Wray, and Yuma County master plan. Council member John Willard recommended changes in the wording of section 2 a. Public Ownership and Accountability to read "The network will be owned through one of the following mechanisms. 1. Municipal ownership governed by an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA), 2. Private Ownership, 3. COOP Ownership, 4. Public Foundation, and 5. Special District." Council member Butch Hassman made a motion to approve the Broadband Request For Proposals Document with revisions made by City Manager James DePue and Council member John Willard. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. Council member John Willard suggested dividing future costs based upon population.

Council discussed citizen complaints regarding snow removal. The Council was informed that the City of Wray was not awarded the Small Communities Grant.

Finance Report

City Clerk Ida Peery presented the monthly Finance Report for review.

Approval of Bills

Council member John Willard made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable Report in the amount of \$525,998.92. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda

Council member Ronn Akey made a motion to dispense with the full reading of Ordinance #586. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Mayor Joe Foltmer removed Item #3 - 2015 Board Appointments, Official Newspaper, Agenda and Designated Location of Notices from the Consent Agenda. Council member John Willard made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of Pre-Qualify for Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund, and 2nd Reading of Ordinance #586 Sales Tax Extension. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

2015 - Board Appointments, Official Newspaper, Agenda and Designated Location of Notices

Council member Tyler Lightle made a motion to approve the Board Appointments of Jodi Brady to the Wray Golf Club Board and Tyler Lightle to the Wray Pool Board with Official Newspaper, Agenda, and Designated Location of Notices. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Fowl within the City Limits of Wray

The Council discussed the City Ordinance relating to fowl kept within the city limits of Wray. City Attorney Alvin Wall suggested updating the penalty for violations and enforcing the ordinance contingent upon complaints. The Council voiced support of drafting changes to the existing ordinance to be reviewed during the February Council Meeting.

Membership in MEAN (formal participant-voting member)

City Manager James DePue recommended completing the forms to allow the city to have voting rights in MEAN. The Council supported proceeding with necessary requirements to become a member of Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska.

2015 - Capital Improvements/Project Priorities

City Manager James DePue presented the City of Wray - Capital Improvements Project Priorities list for review.

2015-Ports-To-Plains Contribution

City Manager James DePue presented an overview of the Ports-to Plains Alliance and informed the Council that High Plains Highway Coalition approved investing in a year-long membership in the Ports-to-Plains contingent upon being granted a Ports-to-Plains board seat. Municipalities were asked to consider contributing \$1428 toward a yearly membership in the Ports-to-Plains. The Council declined to approve the membership contribution at this time.

Committee Reports

The Council was informed that the Museum By-Laws were approved to allow voting rights to Council representation.

Executive Session - C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(2)(f) Personnel Matter

At 9:05 P.M., Mayor Joe Foltmer made a motion to go into Executive Session for a discussion of a personnel matter under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(2)(f) and not involving: any specific employees who have requested discussion of the matter in open session; any member of this body or any elected official; the appointment of any person to fill an office of this body or of an elected official; or personnel policies that do not require the discussion of matters personal to particular employees. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

The regular session reconvened and Mayor Joe Foltmer announced that the time was 10:00 P.M. and the Executive Session had been concluded. The participants in the Executive Session were City Attorney Alvin Wall, City Manager James DePue, Mayor Joe Foltmer, and Council members Tyler Lightle, Jodi Brady, Ronn Akey, K.T. Gregg, John Willard, and Butch Hassman. For the record, if any person who participated in the Executive Session believes that any substantial discussion of any matter not included in the motion to go into the Executive Session occurred during the Executive Session, or that any improper action occurred during the Executive Session in violation of the Open Meetings Law, I would ask that you state your concerns for the record. Seeing none, the next agenda item is Adjournment.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.


Mayor Joe Foltmer

ATTEST


City Clerk Ida L. Peery, CMC