

## COUNCIL WORK SESSION – October 14, 2014

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m. with all members present but Councilman Goodenough.

The first item on the agenda was a presentation by Fleur Tremel regarding the results of the first round voting on the FY2015 Community Promotions applications. Mayor Meyer asked to change his votes to yes on the application from the Mercer Family Resource Center Youth Empowerment Council and yes on the application from the Wyoming Amateur Softball Association for the WSO ASA Mens D 3-4 State Tournament. All other votes remained the same. The second round of voting will include only those applications that received a majority of “yes” votes. The next round will include Council votes on how much funding (cash) each application should receive and whether facility or in-kind services should be granted. Councilman Sandoval asked why funding needed to be provided for in-kind and facilities. City Manager Patterson explained that the in-kind costs were funded by Council at 50% in order to provide that these services would be paid for and not become a burden to the cost centers. The facility charges are also funded at 50% with the applicants paying the additional 50% and the funding would support the Enterprise Funds which are set up for each facility.

The second item on the agenda was a request from the Town of Mills to support their application for a Mineral Royalty Grant from the SLIB Board to support construction of the West Belt Loop System Improvements. David Hill, Public Utilities Manager, indicated support for the request from the Public Utilities Advisory Board and staff. Councilman Hedquist declared a conflict of interest in this item and declined to participate in the decision to move it forward. The Council indicated support for putting this request on the next agenda and clarified that their support was for the application and did not include approval of the proposal to transfer distribution lines and customers to Mills. Those discussions would need to take place in the future if the grant was approved.

David Hill also presented a proposal to amend the ordinance regarding water and sewer services to reflect the changes which have occurred in the residential fire sprinkler system industry. He reviewed the proposed language changes and Council agreed to move the proposal forward to the next regular meeting.

City Manager Patterson introduced Cindie Langston, Solid Waste Division Manager, to update the Council on a proposed agreement with Harris Waste Management Group, Inc. regarding the redesign of the City’s balers which were purchased in 2009. She noted that the balers have not performed in the intervening time frame and negotiations have been ongoing with the manufacturer to secure replacement or redesign of the system. An agreement has been negotiated with the new owner of Harris (Avis Industrial Corporation) and they have agreed to restart the original warranty on the balers as well as to provide a new warranty on the redesign project as part of the agreement. The City has agreed to pay for the reassembly of the north baler and for a new cylinder to accommodate our wrapping system. The estimated cost of those two sections is \$80,000. The company also agreed to utilize the consultant chosen by the City to perform the redesign. Council discussed this proposed agreement and indicated their support for moving it forward to a regular Council meeting.

Councilman Goodenough joined the meeting at 4:55 p.m.

Councilman Bertoglio reported that the WAM Board has agreed to redistrict the state into 6 regions with 3 Board members from each region. He also asked that the City staff investigate our commitment to the company that sells sewer maintenance contracts in Casper as he has personal knowledge of problems experienced by residents who sought to collect on sewer line problems during the past year.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 5:25 p.m.