

## COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

City/County/Town of Wright

May 21, 2013

12:00 p.m.

A Workshop of the City Council of the City of Gillette, County of Campbell, State of Wyoming, was held on Tuesday the 21st day of May 2013, at the George Amos Memorial Building, Cottonwood Room, pursuant to due notice and call. The Presiding Officer called the meeting to order and upon roll call the following were found to be present:

Council Members present: Forrest Rothleutner, Louise Carter-King, Robin Kuntz, Ted Jerred, Kevin McGrath, and Mayor Tom Murphy.

Council Member absent: John Opseth.

Staff present: J. Carter Napier, City Administrator; Charlie Anderson, City Attorney; Kendall Glover, Utilities Director; Dustin Hamilton, Director of Engineering and Development Services; Mike Cole, Utility Project Manager; Evan Byrd, Management Analyst; Joe Lunne, Public Information Officer; Patti Davidsmeier, Community and Gov't Relations Coordinator; and Karlene Abelseth, City Clerk.

County Commissioners present: Mickey Shober, Mark Christensen, and Dan Coolidge.

Others present were: Bob Palmer, Kendra Como, Susan Saunders, and other County Staff Members.

Town of Wright: No representatives were in attendance.

### Air Service Enhancement:

Nick Wangler, Forecast, Inc., gave a presentation on air service development and how it affects Gillette's airport.

### Joint Powers Land Board and Fire Board Agreements

Chairman Coolidge gave background information concerning the Joint Powers Land Board agreement and addressed the options in the highlighted areas within the agreement such as the snow removal, adequate law enforcement, and the boundaries of the annexation, which he said would stop at Fox Park Road. He went on to say that the County has always been adamant about the 20% participation; and recognizes that the City is on a five year budget. The County is agreeable to the 15%, and 1% per year for five years until the 20% is reached. Mr. Coolidge stated that he appreciates the City's consideration and the dialog. Mr. Coolidge addressed the possibility of revenue change such as the One Percent Tax not passing, a drop in sales tax revenues, then the entities would need to re-address this portion of the agreement. Councilman McGrath asked if revenues decline, how often can this portion of the agreement be addressed. City Attorney stated that the parties may convene to discuss the budget and distribution of funding and didn't see why that couldn't happen in the year that the funds declined as opposed to the two year review. Chairman Coolidge stated that if language is needed to clarify this issue, it could be added to the agreement. Mr. Coolidge then addressed the effluent and said that he didn't feel the County communicated their intent exactly how they wanted to. He went on to say that he and the Mayor felt it could be a good consensus project; the County would be

willing to assist the City with whatever it takes to put the infrastructure in so it can be utilized by both entities, and wanted the option to be available. After further discussion, Councilman Kuntz asked to see a snapshot of the County's budget for the last five years to compare with the City's budget for the last five years before he could make a commitment. The group then discussed the fire board agreement and Bob Palmer reported that this agreement is mirrored to the land board agreement. Mayor Murphy asked if a resolution would be prepared concerning these two documents. Chairman Coolidge stated that he recommends the final touches be done to the agreements and bring it to the respective Entities for a vote one way or the other. Mayor Murphy suggested that discussion of the agreements be conducted at the next Work Session.

Chairman Coolidge thanked Mike Cole for his presentation and update on the Gillette Regional Water Project.

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 1:26 p.m.

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Tom Murphy, Mayor

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ATTEST:

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Karlene Abelseth, City Clerk  
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