

City of Wright City  
Board of Aldermen Meeting  
Thursday, March 10, 2010, 6:30 pm

**Signed in Attendance:** Tony Midiri, Tim Schmidt, John Woehrle, Gina Allen, Ken McLaughlin, and Matt Kaatman.

**City Official attendance:** Mayor Heiliger, Alderman Black, Alderman Toothman, Alderman Schuchmann and Alderman Reynolds were present.

**Staff and Others:** City Clerk Christine Martin, Treasurer/Economic Developer Karen Gironde, Superintendent Larry Janish, Police Lieutenant Gary Sweaney, Police Officer Jim Hepperman, and City Attorney Josh Payton of Cunningham of Vogel & Rost were present. Police Chief Doug Saulters and Parks Director Curt Kehoe were absent

**Others Present not signed in:** County Commissioner Dan Hampson

**Call Meeting to Order**

Mayor Heiliger called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

**Roll Call**

City Clerk Christine Martin called roll with Mayor Heiliger, Aldermen Black, Schuchmann, Reynolds and Toothman present. The City Clerk reported the Mayor and four Board Members present.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Ken McLaughlin led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Meeting Minutes**

**Approval of Minutes from the Board Meeting of February 10, 2011** – Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve the minutes from the Board Meeting of February 10, 2011. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

**Approval of Minutes from the Board Meeting of February 24, 2011** – Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve the minutes from the Board Meeting of February 24, 2011. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

**Responses to previous comments/concerns** - None

**Open meeting to public comments/concerns** – Gina Allen was present and stated she read that the City of Truesdale was looking at passing an ordinance on banning K-2 and drug paraphernalia (pipes, bongs, etc). She said Truesdale wanted to be proactive. She said there may be something going on at the State level on banning K-2. She suggested that the City be proactive by passing an

ordinance to help our young people. She added the City of Truesdale also banned the bath salts at their meeting last night. Missouri's Senator and Representative will be at the Bell Star on Sunday afternoon at 3:00 pm.

Mayor Heiliger offered if anyone wanted to speak on Stuermann Road. Mr. John Woehrle, 125 Falcons Crest, spoke to the Board and said he is a new resident and said his family has been in Wright City for nine (9) months. He said when he purchased the house he had high expectations because it was their first new home. He noticed that section of Stuermann was wavering and after talking to neighbors he took it upon himself to start making phone calls. He stated he had about \$3500 worth of damage to the front end of his wife's vehicle. He added the road is almost impassable to most vehicles. He talked to Warren County Commissioner Dan Hampson and he mentioned a possible community agreement where each homeowner pays a monthly amount to take care of Stuermann Road. Mr. Woehrle expressed his concerns and ideas on the maintenance of the so-called temporary road. He asked who puts gravel down and fills the holes in the road and maintains the washed out culvert, which is running into the creek. Mr. Woehrle said it extremely dangerous to drop and pick up children off at Stuermann Road and Highway 'H' as there is no place to turn around. He said the speed limit goes from 45 mph to 55 mph on Highway 'H' and he has been hit almost four (4) times already. He said he understands that MODOT can condemn the road at any time. He said the road was a temporary fix and is concerned for the safety of his wife and kids and everyone who lives back there.

Matt Kaatman of 313 Late Harvest was present and said he shares Mr. Woehrle's frustrations and asked if any further discussion has taken place on the State Statute he previously brought up to the Board. City Attorney Josh Payton answered Mr. Kaatman. Matt Kaatman asked for an answer on the short term and temporary repair to the road. Mayor Heiliger said he will address Stuermann Road later in the meeting

**Public Hearing** - None

### **Old Business**

**Business License – Advantage Hockey Inc., 305 E.S. First Street** - Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to postpone the Business License. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

**Policy for Temporary Water Services** - Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to set the Policy for Temporary Water Services based on the changes made by the City Attorney. Alderman Toothman seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

**Stuermann Road** – Mayor Heiliger read a prepared statement regarding the City's plans for Stuermann Road (copy attached) and plans to have a plan on his desk by April 1<sup>st</sup> and will have something by the first Board meeting in April.

### **New Business**

**Bids on Phase 4 of Southern Water Line Project** – Superintendent Larry Janish had an email from Lewis-Bade Engineering regarding the Bid. He explained that C&S Construction provided a reference list and Larry said he called three (3) of them which one was from Perry, Missouri; one was from Ralls County; and one was from Galveston, Missouri. Larry said they had good references for

work and clean-up habits. He said we could do Alternate #1 and the Base Bid for that price. Larry explained there was a 6 inch valve left off the bid and he would rather not leave it off, that way it will be there for when the next phase starts so they will not have to discontinue service to anyone. He said the next step is to sign the Notice of Award. Karen said once we get the contracts, there will be a Notice to Proceed. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to accept the low bid from C&S Construction for the Base Bid, the Alternate #1, and the additional line item of the 6 inch valve for an additional \$850.00 for Phase Four bringing the total amount to approximately \$112,000.00 and to authorize the Mayor to sign the Notice of Award. Alderman Toothman seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

**Police Car Purchase/Financing** – Treasurer Karen Girondo said she contacted all three (3) banks on financing the two police cars on a municipal lease as we previously used. She said First State Community Bank will not do a municipal lease. American Bank will do a Municipal Lease but will charge the higher interest rate. They can do a tax exempt lease which would be a lower interest and lease. She said FMB Bank can do it but recommends the CD be used that was for financing the City’s building. City Attorney Josh Payton said he was not sure if interest rate from a tax exempt lease is the same as what FMB is offering. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve going with FMB Bank for the Police Car financing. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried. Matt Kaatman asked Karen about the interest rate and she said it is 2 to 3 percent over the CD rate.

**Police Department Bids:**

**In-Car Cameras - Grant** – Lt. Gary Sweaney explained he applied for a grant last fall for two in-car cameras and said they have received the funding from the State. The City will pay an additional 10 percent which is \$678.00. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve the purchase for the video cameras from with Martel Electronics. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

**Copier Bids** – Lt. Gary Sweaney stated that Chief Saulters and Kathy Yocum recommended going with DNT for the copier bids. He said they get a \$500 shredding credit that comes with it. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve DNT for the copier bid. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried

**Request for Utilities Balance Adjustment – Account 30036001** – Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve the Balance Adjustment for Account 30036001. Alderman Toothman seconded it and the motion unanimously carried

**Utility Billing Balance Adjustments Report for February 2011** - Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to accept the Balance Adjustment Report for February 2011. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried

**BPRC Brief - 2010 Census Data Release - City Clerk Christine Martin** explained this is just information for review that was made available.

**Changes to the Sprint/Nextel Phone Plan** - Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve switching to the new phone plan and to add an additional Nextel phone. Alderman Toothman seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

**Ordinance/Resolutions**

Bill 03-11 was read for the first time by title. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH WILSON WASTE SYSTEMS, LLC FOR RESIDENTIAL TRASH SERVICES IN THE CITY LIMITS OF WRIGHT CITY, MISSOURI. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to read Bill 03-11 a second time by title. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried. After the second reading, Alderman Schuchmann moved that Bill #03-11 be placed upon final passage. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried. Mayor Heiliger then put the question “Shall Bill #03-11 be passed and become an ordinance?” Roll call was taken with the following vote:

Alderman Toothman	Yea	Alderman Schuchmann	Yea
Alderman Black	Yea	Alderman Reynolds	Yea

The Bill having the majority vote of the members present was adopted. Said Bill was thereupon presented to the Mayor and President of the Board for their signatures and approval. It was then duly signed and becomes Ordinance #732 of the City of Wright City, Missouri.

**Reports**

**Engineering** – None

**Parks** – None

**Public Works** - Larry Janish gave report and said he met with Flynn Drilling Company today because they are getting a lot of milky water from Well #4. They need to pull the well pump and casing on the well due to a hole somewhere or a check valve that is failing. He said he had Flynn Drilling Company come out to run some tests. Larry said they called him today and said they will have to pull the pump and casing to correct the problem. Larry said they will start on Monday with Board approval. He said worst case scenario, it will cost \$12,000 to \$15,000 to repair. He said if the casing is bad, it could be as much as \$18,000. Karen said there is a set amount of \$20,000 for Well Repair and \$25,000 for emergency repairs. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to pull the pump to have it checked. Alderman Black seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

**Building Official** - Larry said there were no new home permits, two (2) Miscellaneous Permits which was the Scotts Company and Warren County Health Department for sign permits. There were three (3) Occupancy inspections for 1101 Northridge Place, 127 Hickory Trails and 123 Hickory Trails.

**Police Department** – Police Lt. Gary Sweaney was present and reported they’ve had 286 calls for service since the last meeting and 16 of them were incident reports. He said it has slowed down some and they are preparing for warm weather. He said Chief Saulters talked to Mayor Heiliger and Alderman Schuchmann on acquisition of new weapons. The proposal from Glock to acquire 10 Generation 4 Glocks Model 22, 44 Caliber with night sights with trade of two (2) Glock 23’s and seven (7) Glock 22’s, it brings the cost down to under \$200 per gun. The new Glocks normally sells for \$409.00 each. They are trading in 9 guns and getting 10 weapons for \$1685 for delivery within thirty (30) days. They will have to pay \$409.00 for one (1) of the Glocks with only 9 trade-ins. Alderman Schuchmann asked Lt. Sweaney if it is coming out of small equipment and he said yes. Karen said they have \$8,000 in small equipment. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve purchase of the weapons. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

**City Hall** – City Clerk Christine Martin gave report to the Board and said she has been working on Business Licenses for 2011 and said it is down to 9 pending licenses. Letters went out giving them to March 30<sup>th</sup>. She asked that it be discussed at the next meeting about the possible action to be taken for outstand unissued licenses. City Clerk Christine Martin said the change over to the new trash

services has been going much smoother and residents seem to understand it much better now. City Clerk Christine Martin said regarding the request by Tim Reynolds at the last meeting to notify the Post Office of addresses of units at 305 E.S. First Street, she contacted the owner Don Jacobsmeyer and the unit numbers were assigned and the Post Office notified. City Clerk Christine Martin asked the Board for permission to update the City Code. Alderman Schuchmann asked if a bid for the updates could be obtained first and she agreed.

**Treasurer** - Karen Girondo said she did not have February financials due to other projects she is working on. She said the General Ledger is off and has not had a chance to find the answer yet. Karen said she emailed the trial balance to the Auditor and will be working on the information they need before their visit on March 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Economic Development** – Karen Girondo attended two meetings at Booneslick Regional Planning, the first a quarterly Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting. The communities that received Enhancement Grants were reviewed as well as the Safe Routes to School Grant. MODOT was at the meeting and discussed their finances. They project for the next five years they will generate just enough money for repairs and minor projects. The second meeting was an interview with a firm conducting a study of successful EDD in the US. Booneslick has been singled out as one of the top 12 in the US and she was interviewed as part of ECMODEV and the City. Karen reminded everyone about the Annual Business Breakfast on Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 am at the ‘Wil Heiliger’ Activity Building. The Wright City Blue and Gold Dinner Auction is set for Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at the Wright City Lions Club. It is their 12<sup>th</sup> year and they have collected over \$300,000 over the years. Tickets are \$40 per person and include dinner and an open bar. The Committee is taking donations for the silent auction and oral auction. The Warren County Fine Arts Council now has a permanent office which is located here in Wright City at 113 East First Street North in the rear. Kathy Cook the new executive director wants to know if the City has a problem with the Art Department painting a mural on the building wall next to the office and facing the alley. Karen said the building owner has no problem with it.

**Review/Approval of Bills**

Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve the Bills. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

**Final Questions** – City Clerk Christine Martin said she had a request from a resident that wanted to have a carriage ride wedding and wants to know if the Board had any requirements. The Board asked if she could notify the Police Department before the event to coordinate traffic.

**Adjournment** - Alderman Toothman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 pm. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion carried

Approved\_\_\_\_\_

Attested\_\_\_\_\_