

City of Wright City  
Board of Aldermen Meeting  
August 11, 2011, 6:30 pm

**Signed in Attendance:** Tim Schmidt, Patsy Jones, and Danny Klocke

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

**Staff and Others:** Superintendent Larry Janish, City Clerk Christine Martin, Police Chief Doug Saulters, Parks Director Curt Kehoe, City Attorney Paul Rost, and Police Officer Jim Hepperman, and Treasurer/Economic Developer Karen Girondo.

**Roll Call**

City Clerk Christine Martin called roll with Mayor Heiliger, Aldermen Schuchmann, Black, Toothman, and Reynolds present. The City Clerk reported the Mayor and four (4) Board Members present.

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

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Alderman Schuchmann led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Meeting Minutes**

**Minutes from Board Meeting of July 28, 2011** – Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve the Minutes from the Board of Aldermen Meeting of July 28, 2011. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

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

**Open Meeting to public comments/concerns** - None

**Public Hearing** – **Public Hearing for setting the 2011 Tax Rates** - Mayor Heiliger opened the public hearing for setting the 2011 Tax Rates. Treasurer Karen Girondo explained the tax rates. She said the tax amounts as published in the paper are based on the figures before the Board of Equalization and the figures supplied by the State Auditor’s Office are slightly different. Two rates were the same as on the public notice which were Park Fund \$.0895 and Debt Service Fund \$.0659. The General Fund in the notice was \$.4814 and the auditor rate was \$.4818. The Street Light Fund rate in the notice was \$.1787 and the Auditor’s figures were .1789. She stated it was a difference of .0006, so on a \$150,000 home it would be \$.16. The Tax Rate overall is higher than 2010 by .0236 which is a 3.1% increase. It was due to the assessed valuation for the City decreasing by 3.4% excluding new construction. She said even when new construction totals are added in, the City still had a net loss in assessed valuation of \$47,543. Mayor Heiliger closed the public hearing.

**Recommendations from Planning & Zoning** - None

## **Old Business**

**Lake Tucci Subdivision** – City Attorney Paul Rost stated he would still like to do some research before going forward. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to postpone it to the next meeting. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

**Hat Trick Lane** – Economic Developer Karen Girondo said she talked to Ed Spahl about the property. She said ESP has been offered to purchase the property next to ESP which is Hat Trick Lane. Karen provided the Board with a copy of a parcel map showing ESP land outline in red. She said when the area was subdivided, she did not know if a subdivision plat was done at that time. Karen said she needs to check with the Warren County Recorder's office and said Mr. Spahl wants to know what he has to do to purchase that part of the road. She said he knows he can't land lock the ground west of him which the Ambulance District is interested in. City Attorney Paul Rost asked if the road was platted and Karen Girondo said she did not think it was. City Attorney Paul Rost said it is a private issue and they have to work it out. He stated if they don't want to do that, then Dyer should plat an easement on it.

## **New Business**

**Police Department Policies** – Police Chief Saulters said two weeks back he gave the Board a copy of their new departmental policies. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve the policy with corrections as discussed with the Chief. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

**Southern Waterline Project Phase 4 – C&S Companies 2<sup>nd</sup> Pay Request** - Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve the pay request to C&S Companies in the amount of \$47,322.00. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

**Old Newsboys Day – Solicitation Request** – Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve the request from Old Newsboys Day. Alderman Toothman seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

**Utility Billing Adjustment Report for July** – Alderman Toothman made a motion to approve the Report. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

**Liquor License for Sunday Sales – Dano's Hillbilly Heaven** – Alderman Toothman made a motion to approve the Liquor License to Dano's Hillbilly Heaven for Sunday Sales. Alderman Black seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

**106 Cherry Street ADA Ramp** - Alderman Schuchmann said Code Inspector Bob Barclay approved the permit but at the time did not have a plot plan. The ADA Ramp was built out onto the City street right of way. He said there is no landing area at the bottom of the ramp yet. City Attorney Paul Rost said he thinks the ramp has to go.

**ORDINANCE/RESOLUTIONS**

Bill 12-11 was read for the first time by title. AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF WRIGHT CITY, TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE TO DISCLOSE POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND SUBSTANTIAL INTERESTS FOR CERTAIN OFFICIALS. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to read Bill 12-11 a second time by title. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried. After the second reading, Alderman Schuchmann moved that Bill #12-11 be placed upon final passage. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried. Mayor Heiliger then put the question “Shall Bill #12-11 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 #738 of the City of Wright City, Missouri.

Bill 13-11 was read for the first time by title. AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AND IMPOSING A TAX FOR THE CALENDAR AND FISCAL YEAR OF 2011 FOR GENERAL MUNICIPAL PURPOSES FOR STREET LIGHTING PURPOSES, FOR PUBLIC PARK PURPOSES, AND FOR PAYMENT OF COMBINED WATER WORKS AND SEWAGE BONDS. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to read Bill 13-11 a second time by title. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried. After the second reading, Alderman Schuchmann moved that Bill #13-11 be placed upon final passage. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried. Mayor Heiliger then put the question “Shall Bill #13-11 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 #739 of the City of Wright City, Missouri.

**Reports**

**Parks** – Curt Kehoe was present and gave report to the Board. He said camp is going slow and said they’ve been disappointed by the camp numbers. They will have Movie in the Park on August 12<sup>th</sup> featuring “My Dog Skip” and it was picked by the kids in the Camp Program and Concert in the Park on August 16<sup>th</sup> featuring “George Poretz and the Blue Grass Band”.

**Public Works** - Superintendent Larry Janish gave report and discussed Indian Head Lodge Road with the Board and said they should finish by Friday August 12<sup>th</sup>. Larry said they received the State Permit and plan to start on Stuermann Road around August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Larry said the new dog kennel has been put up and said it still needs to be anchored to the concrete and a small chain lock obtained. Larry said he is waiting

on the garden to be finished before he tears up the ground for the Huster's Pipe Project. He said they are waiting for one (1) more easement.

**Building Official** - Larry Janish stated there has been 22 year-to-date New Home Permits paid for and one (1) applied for but not paid for. There were seven (7) Miscellaneous Building Permits issued and eleven (11) Occupancy Inspections. He stated there was an electrical fire at a house on Peregrine and the occupants had to be removed. There is currently a stop work order on the basement remodeling there.

**Police Department** – Police Chief Doug Saulters gave a report to the Board and said they had about 428 calls for service. He stated the officer that has been out will be back on the 15<sup>th</sup> of August. They have applied for several Grants which includes Radar Detectors and Tasers. They applied for a grant for a Drug Dog but did not get it. Chief Saulters said he plans to send letters to businesses and the Lions Club, etc., to solicit donations for a Drug Dog and said they will be proactive for any drug related grants.

**City Hall** – City Clerk Christine Martin gave report to the Board. She stated the hold-over dog kennel has been put up by Larry. The tree removal at the cemetery was rescheduled from August 16<sup>th</sup> to August 25<sup>th</sup>. She said Roger Held stopped by earlier in the week and donated an aerial view copy of the cemetery for the City's use and the plans are is to put it on a backboard for hanging on the wall. City Clerk Christine Martin said she amended the notice and it was on the table for review. She said she was starting to work on the Fall/Winter Newsletter if anyone had anything for it.

**Treasurer/Economic Development Reports** – Karen Girondo gave report and said July Financials were on the table. She informed the Board that we had a Department Head Meeting and also discussed the budget. The Department Heads were told to look over their budget and if they felt they did not have enough funds to finish the year then it could be brought to the Board. She said Budgets are running a little higher due to insurance, attorney fees and electric and fuel costs. She also stated we were down in checking in both water and sewer from last year. Utilities incomes are where they should be, but expenses are running higher than anticipated so rates will need to be reviewed. She said she wanted to wait until next month to see if the amount in the red increases before casing in the CD.

Economic Developer Karen Girondo said the first Business Expo was held last week with four (4) set up in addition to the Chamber and Park. She said the downtown businesses are all going to set up one evening together to showcase the Downtown District.

**Review/Approval of Bills** - Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve the bills. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried

**Final Questions** – None

**Adjournment** - Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 pm. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried

Approved \_\_\_\_\_

Attested \_\_\_\_\_