

**City of Wright City
Board of Aldermen Meeting
Thursday, August 23, 2012, 6:30 pm**

Signed in Attendance: Angie Reynolds, Linda Geist of Warren County Record, Michael L. Smith, Danny Klocke, Kurt Daniels and Nancy Benkowich of Midwest Agency.

City Official attendance: Mayor Heiliger, Alderman Schuchmann, Alderman Rowden, Alderman Toothman and Alderman Smith were present.

Staff and Others: Superintendent Larry Janish, City Clerk Christine Martin, City Attorney Paul Rost, Police Chief Doug Saulters, Chaplin Joe Purl, Treasurer/Economic Developer Karen Gironde, Police Officer Jim Hepperman, and Park Board Director Curt Kehoe.

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

Roll Call

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Angie Reynolds led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting Minutes

Minutes from Board Meeting of August 9, 2012 – Alderman Toothman made a motion to approve the minutes from the Board of Alderman Meeting of August 9, 2012. Alderman Smith seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Approval of Financial Reports – None

Responses to previous comments/concerns – None.

Open Meeting to public comments/concerns – Pastor Joe Purl was present and reminded the Board about their Special 911 Remembrance Service that will be held on Sunday, September 9th at 10:30 am to thank the first responders from Wright City.

Public Hearing – None

Recommendations from Planning & Zoning

Application for Conditional Use Permit from Dolson Properties, LLC, to convert the use of Commercial Property at 208 Veterans Memorial Parkway to Residential Use. Alderman Toothman read off the stipulations placed on the permit by the Planning & Zoning Commission. Mr. Dolson questioned the requirement of handicapped accessible parking spots since that was the reason he is changing the use from Commercial to Residential. The Board discussed the requirement of handicap and regular parking spaces being considered for the permit. Alderman Rowden made a motion to approve the Conditional Use Permit with the stipulation that there are to be 12 paved parking spaces provided, with two (2) being handicapped accessible parking spaces if statutorily required, which are to be provided on the property owner's adjacent lot, which will be used for residential parking for 208 Veterans Memorial Parkway. Alderman Toothman seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Proposal by William Levinson/Dorset Development for future development of Oak Hills, north of Westwoods Road - The applicant was not present. Alderman Rowden made a motion to postpone the Proposal. Alderman Toothman seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Old Business

William Levinson/ Dorset Development - Mr. William Levinson and Mr. Bill Taylor were not present.

Cemetery Tree Removal - Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve paying Hansen's Tree Service \$1700 to remove two (2) trees from the Cemetery and to grind the stumps on both trees. Alderman Smith seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Joe Iannicola – Tree Removal - Alderman Toothman made a motion to approve paying Hansen's bid for \$500 to drop the tree on Locust and for Larry's crew to clean it up. Alderman Smith seconded the motion. Aldermen Rowden, Smith and Toothman voted yes and Alderman Schuchmann voted no. The motion carried. Alderman Schuchmann said he does not understand why Mr. Iannicola is not being required to pay for half of the cost.

Alderman Toothman amended his motion to approve Hansen's bid for \$500 to remove the tree with the stipulation that Mr. Iannicola picks up half of the cost of tree removal, which is \$250. Alderman Smith seconded it and the motion unanimously carried. City Attorney Paul Rost said he would send over a release for Mr. Iannicola to sign.

Storm Sirens – Larry Janish said Warner Communications agreed to reprogram the storms for \$40 each totaling \$120 plus a \$75 travel fee for a grand total of \$195.00. Larry said the other two (2) companies he called are not qualified to do the work. Larry said the sirens did not go off last time and Mr. Mike Daniels of Warren County Emergency Services said it could have been an error on their part. Larry said if they

find anything else wrong the cost would increase. Alderman Toothman made a motion to accept the bid from Warner Communications, not to exceed \$195.00. Alderman Smith seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

New Business

Design Engineer – Enhancement Project - Kurt Daniels of Cochran Engineering was present. Karen Gironde explained that Alderman Toothman and Larry Janish met with him after going over the RFQ's and picked Cochran Engineering. She said after talking with the State they have an October 1st deadline to have preliminary design completed. An ordinance along with a contract is on the agenda for approval, after having had City Attorney Paul Rost look it over. Karen said they have less than six (6) weeks to complete the task.

Picnic Liquor License for Lion's Club at Strassenbash – Mike Smith, of Wright City Lion's Club, was present to request the Liquor License for the Lion's Club. Alderman Toothman made a motion to accept the Picnic Liquor License for the Lion's Club for Strassenbash. Alderman Smith seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Payment Agreement Status - Alderman Toothman made a motion to accept the payment agreement Status Report. Alderman Rowden seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Wildcat Pride Marching Band – Request for use of City Street - Alderman Toothman made a motion to approve the request. Alderman Smith seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Special Permit/Solicitation Request – Knights of Columbus – Bill Sherman was present and said it is their annual request and said it benefits the Mentally Handicapped. He said 50 percent of the money goes locally and 50 percent of the money goes to Children's Hospital. He added that the Knights of Columbus is not allowed to keep any of the money. He said he would like to place a sign on the sidewalk or side of the road to inform people before they get to the intersection. Bill Sherman said they will also be wearing vests. Alderman Toothman made a motion to approve the request from Knights of Columbus. Alderman Rowden seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Public Works Training – Larry said there is a conference coming up in September and said Harry Harper is going to be recognized for 25 years of Service and Membership in MWWC. Larry said Harry has asked to attend that class for \$155 on September 18th. Larry said he and Kenny Robinett will attend the two (2) day conference for MWWC and the cost is \$340. Larry said the training is required for their credit hours. Harry and Nathan will be attending safety training on September 12th.

Alderman Toothman made a motion to approve the training request at MWWC for Harry Harper on September 18th for the cost of \$155. Alderman Smith seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Alderman Toothman made a motion to approve the training request at MWWC for Larry Janish and Kenny Robinett for a two (2) day training for the cost of \$340. Alderman Smith seconded it and the motion unanimously carried

Alderman Toothman made a motion to approve the Sigma Training request for Harry Harper and Nathan Rohr on September 12th. Alderman Smith seconded it and the motion unanimously carried

Court Training – City Clerk Christine Martin explained Laura Brown did not get to attend the spring training as usual, but would like to attend the 2012 Professional Development Training on September 27 and 28. The cost will be around \$179 for registration and lodging and the training will help her with her credits. Alderman Toothman made a motion to approve the training request for Laura’s Training. Alderman Rowden seconded it and the motion unanimously carried

Special Permit/Solicitation Request – Dano’s Hillbilly Heaven – Danny Klocke was present and explained a fundraiser for a cancer patient. He said he would like to close the street down and have music outside. It will start about 4:00 pm and would close down about 9:00 pm. Alderman Smith made a motion to approve the Special Permit/Solicitation Request to Dano’s Hillbilly Heaven. Alderman Toothman seconded it and the motion unanimously carried

Ordinance/Resolutions

Bill #39-12 Ordinance - AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AND IMPOSING A TAX FOR THE CALENDAR AND FISCAL YEAR OF 2012 FOR GENERAL MUNICIPAL PURPOSES FOR STREET LIGHTING PURPOSES, FOR PUBLIC PARK PURPOSES, AND FOR PAYMENT OF COMBINED WATER WORKS AND SEWAGE BONDS, Alderman Toothman made a motion to read Bill #39-12 a second time by title. Alderman Smith seconded it and the motion unanimously carried. After the second reading, Alderman Toothman moved that Bill #39-12 be placed upon final passage. Alderman Smith seconded it and the motion unanimously carried. Mayor Heiliger then put the question “Shall Bill #39-12 be passed and become an ordinance?” Roll call was taken with the following vote:

Alderman Schuchmann	Yea	Alderman Smith	Yea
Alderman Toothman	Yea	Alderman Rowden	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 and then duly signed and becomes Ordinance #771 of the City of Wright City, Missouri.

Bill #40-12 Ordinance - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH COCHRAN ENGINEERING FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES FOR THE OLD HWY 40 DOWNTOWN SIDEWALK & LIGHTING PROJECT STP 9900(372) WITH THE CITY OF WRIGHT CITY, MISSOURI, Alderman Toothman made a motion to read Bill #40-12 a second time by title. Alderman Rowden seconded it and the motion unanimously carried. After the second reading, Alderman Toothman moved that Bill #40-12 be placed upon final passage. Alderman Rowden seconded it and the motion unanimously carried. Mayor Heiliger then put the question “Shall Bill #40-12 be passed and become an ordinance?” Roll call was taken with the following vote:

Alderman Schuchmann	Yea	Alderman Smith	Yea
Alderman Toothman	Yea	Alderman Rowden	Yea

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Reports

Park – Park Director Curt Kehoe gave report to the Board. He said they had their last concert of the summer with Rich Helton and there were about 100 people in attendance. He said there will be five (5) games played by Wright City Middle School girl’s softball at Ruge Park in September. The Home School Physical Education Class starts on September 13th and has had a good response. Curt announced there will be a Chamber lunch on Tuesday August 28th at Mittler Brothers to help fund the Flag Retirement Program with donations from the lunch. Curt said they have been hauling water to water trees, but suspects they will be losing several large trees.

Public Works - Superintendent Larry Janish gave his report. He discussed the water drawdown tests. The Kerland Phase 5 Project is done and they are just waiting for cooler weather to grade, seed, and straw.

Building Official - Larry Janish provided the Board with report on building permits issued, occupancy inspection status and the violations reported and acted on.

Police Department – Chief Saulters gave a report to the Board and stated they’ve had 399 calls for service in the last two weeks with 30 incident reports handled. He said they have had several burglaries and have recovered items and have suspects. He added Officer Casey made a large drug bust on a vehicle he had stopped for speeding. Chief Saulters they will be getting a price on a new server, as they have had some problems. He discussed the warrant situation with 911 and explained that everyone agreed to it. The departments will take over doing the entry of stolen property so dispatch does not have to. He said he is currently checking with Mules and Regis to see if someone has to be certified. Chief Saulters also discussed two grants they are applying for. One is from the Chief’s Association, which is for the mobile-data laptops and the carriages for the car. There is a monthly fee for use with Regis or Mules plus have an air card with it that costs from \$25 to \$40 per month. The other grant is a Law Enforcement Block Grant for \$10,000, which the City has to match \$1,000 of it. The grant will improve the radio systems.

City Hall – City Clerk Christine Martin gave report on Business Licenses, new name badges for the Mayor and Board, and the status of the new AP Clerk, Denise Queen. She also announced Constituent Service Day will be on August 29th from 10 am to 11 am, where Mary Tinsley from Congressman Luetkemeyer's office. City Clerk Christine Martin explained that the next Workshop will fall on Labor Day Holiday and could be rescheduled for Tuesday, September 4th or the following Monday, September 10th. The Board agreed on Monday, September 10th.

Treasurer Report/Economic Development – Treasurer Karen Girondo gave report to the Board. She said all the information on the employees have been sent to LAGERS and it will take three to four weeks to get it back, and is good for two years. She has not heard back from Scott Agency yet on the Health Insurance bids, but said questionnaires should be given out by the first week of September. Karen said the City received a full reimbursement on a light pole that was destroyed at Elm Street and South First Street. Karen explained that we did go down on the Tax Rate.

On Economic Development, the monthly meeting of the Greater Warren County EDC was held this past week and there are two pending announcements that are coming. There are eight active projects and we are on several of the lists. There will be a meeting next month and everyone will get an invitation on that. She said they are watching the I-70 Toll Road situation. She said it is not on MODOT's radar so State Legislature needs to be watched. Karen said ECMODEV will be hosting a tour of the region for Missouri Partnership in October. Boonslick has asked that the City support the project of a proposed Business Incubator and allow Karen to sit on the advisory board. If the Board does not object she will get a letter to them for support. She talked to a prospective business for a truck repair and detail shop to go into the building on Veterans Memorial Parkway where Dave Porter was located. It will need a Conditional Use Permit. Karen discussed the McLaughlin property next to Timber Trails and said someone is asking about putting in a one-man machine shop operation. She explained it would be putting in Industrial next to residential. Karen reminded the Mayor and Board about the Strassenbash.

Pastor Joe Purl asked the Mayor and Board to consider the issues and purposes of the Strassenbash event and the fact that the alcohol discourages it from being more of a family event. He asked that it be considered for future Strassenbash events.

Review/Approval of Bills

Alderman Toothman made a motion to approve the Bills. Alderman Smith seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Final Questions – Angie Reynolds asked if the City gave Dano's permission to paint the striping on the pavement for Motorcycles. Alderman Toothman said the Board will take it under advisement.

Mayor Heiliger announced the excellent map scores for Wright City School District.

Vote to go to call for Executive Session - Alderman Toothman made a motion to come out of regular session and go into an executive session to discuss business relating to Legal, Real Estate and Personnel as allowed pursuant to the exception of the provisions of Section 610.021(1)(2)(3) RSMo. Alderman Smith seconded it and roll call was taken:

Alderman Schuchmann	Yea	Alderman Toothman	Yea
Alderman Smith	Yea	Alderman Rowden	Yea

The motion carried.

Alderman Toothman made a motion to come out of executive session and go into regular session. Alderman Smith seconded it and roll call was taken:

Alderman Rowden	Yea	Alderman Schuchmann	Yea
Alderman Smith	Yea	Alderman Toothman	Yea

The motion carried.

Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to adjourn at 8:20 pm. Alderman Rowden seconded it and the motion unanimously carried,

Approved _____

Attested _____