

**City of Wright City  
Board of Aldermen Meeting  
Thursday, October 12, 2017  
City Hall, 203 Veterans Memorial Parkway**

Mayor Dan Rowden called the meeting to order in the Board of Aldermen chambers of the City Hall, 203 Veterans Memorial Parkway, Wright City, Missouri, at 6:30 p.m.

**Roll Call**

City Clerk Karen Girondo called the roll with Mayor Rowden, Alderman John O'Connor, Alderman Kerry Lambright, Alderman Nathan Rohr and Alderman Thomas Dixon present. City staff present were City Clerk/Treasurer Karen Girondo, Project Manager James Schuchmann, Police Chief Matthew Eskew, Assistant Public Works Director Kenny Robinett, Parks Director Curt Kehoe, City Attorney Paul Rost, Police Chaplain Joseph Purl and Police Officer James Heppermann.

Others present were James Toothman and Adam Rollins of the Warren County Record.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Rowden asked Mr. Toothman to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Minutes/Financial Reports**

Alderman O'Connor moved and Alderman Dixon seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2017, meeting. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0. Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Lambright seconded the motion to approve the August financial reports. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

**Responses to Previous Comments/Concerns**

None

**Open Meeting to Public Comments/Concerns**

None

**Public Hearing**

None

**Recommendations from Planning and Zoning Commission**

None

**Old Business**

**Wright City Municipal Project Status Report** – Mr. Schuchmann reported the roof on the new city hall building is complete and all the glue from the flooring has been ground off the floor.

The drywall on one side of the firewall has been installed, he said. He also submitted three bids for lumber: \$2,341.48 from Hackmann Lumber; \$2,396.90 from CHIC Lumber; and \$2,664.55 from Wright City Hardware. Mayor Rowden recommended the Board allow Mr. Schuchmann to accept the lowest and best bid. Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman O'Connor seconded the motion to allow Mr. Schuchmann to accept the lowest and best lumber bid. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0. Mayor Rowden recommended the Board give Mr. Schuchmann authority to accept the lowest and best bid for trusses. Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Lambright seconded the motion to allow Mr. Schuchmann to accept the lowest and best bid for trusses. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Mr. Schuchmann asked the Aldermen to schedule a meeting at the new city hall building to review items in the building. The Aldermen agreed to schedule a special meeting at 5:30 p.m. October 18, 2017, at the new city hall building.

**Sewer Proposals Status** – Ms. Girondo said all the information requested by the firm preparing an appraisal of the city's water and sewer systems has been submitted, and a proposed agreement from the St. Charles County Public Water District No. 2 has been received and is under review by Mr. Rost.

### **New Business**

**Dave Gerland – Coca Cola** – Mr. Gerland did not appear.

**Karen Wright – Code Enforcement** – Ms. Wright did not appear.

**Cemetery Entrance Repair** – Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman O'Connor moved to have Vehige Bricklaying repair the west entrance wall at the city cemetery at a cost of \$1,200.00 and an additional \$1,350.00 if the center column is damaged. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

**Utilities – Hiring of Worker** – Mayor Rowden recommended the Board employ Jessie Patino as a public works department employee at an hourly wage of \$13.00 effective October 16, 2017. Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman O'Connor seconded the motion to employ Jessie Patino as a public works department employee at an hourly wage of \$13.00 effective October 16, 2017. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

**Street lights – Trotter's Creek** – Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman Dixon seconded the motion to have the public works department prepare the base for a streetlight on the cul-de-sac at Trotter's Creek and to have Ameren set the pole. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

**Payment Agreement Request Account #200895003** – Alderman O'Connor moved and Alderman Dixon seconded the motion to accept a payment agreement request from UB Account #200895003. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

**UB Payment Agreement Status Report** – Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman Dixon seconded the motion to shut off utilities for account #200020002 for failure to abide by the terms of the payment agreement. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0. Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to accept the UB payment agreement status report. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

**UB Adjustment Report for September** – Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman Dixon seconded the motion to accept the UB adjustment report for September. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

**Police – Taser Purchase** – Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman Lambright seconded the motion to purchase two tasers for the police department from Axon Enterprise, Inc., at a cost of \$2,355.91. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

**Police – VHF Radio Purchases** – Alderman Lambright moved and Alderman O’Connor seconded the motion to purchase seven radios for the police department from A & W Communications at a cost of \$3,777.62. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

**Appointment of Member to Planning and Zoning Commission** – Mayor Rowden recommended Ramiz Hakim be appointed to the City’s Planning and Zoning Commission. Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to accept the Mayor’s recommendation and appoint Ramiz Hakim to the Planning and Zoning Commission. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

### **Ordinance/Resolutions**

**Bill #21-17** – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 220 OF THE WRIGHT CITY MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO ANNUAL LICENSING OF DOGS AND CATS. Ms. Girondo read the bill by title. Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to read Bill #21-17 a second time. Roll was taken with the following vote:

Alderman O’Connor	Yea	Alderman Rohr	Yea
Alderman Lambright	Yea	Alderman Dixon	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0. Ms. Girondo read the bill a second time. Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion for final reading and passage of Bill #21-17. Roll was taken with the following vote:

Alderman O’Connor	Yea	Alderman Rohr	Yea
Alderman Lambright	Yea	Alderman Dixon	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0. Mayor Heiliger then put the question: ‘Shall Bill #21-17 be passed and become an Ordinance?’ Roll was taken with the following vote:

Alderman O’Connor	Yea	Alderman Rohr	Yea
Alderman Lambright	Yea	Alderman Dixon	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0. 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 signature and approval and then duly signed and becomes Ordinance #924 of the City of Wright City, Missouri.

**Bill #22-17** – AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE RECORD PLAT OF GETTYSBURG COMMONS, PLAT FOUR – The Aldermen agreed to table the Bill until the special meeting October 18, 2017.

**Bill #23-17** – AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING PORTIONS OF CERTAIN STREETS AND ACCEPTING CERTAIN WATER LINES, SEWER LINES AND EASEMENTS, AS SHOWN ON THE SUBDIVISION PLAT OF GETTYSBURG COMMONS – Alderman Lambright moved and Alderman Dixon seconded the motion to table action on the Bill. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

### **Reports**

**Parks** – Mr. Kehoe reported the fall ball league games are finished, and two of the three Eagle Scout projects are underway at the park. He also said some renovation work is underway at the Diekroeger Park pavilion.

**Public Works** - Mr. Robinett reviewed highlights of his written report.

**Building Official** – None

**Police** – Chief Eskew reviewed the calls, incidents and arrests his department responded to in the past two weeks. He said Lt. Randy Deatherage will attend taser instructor class, and Off. Jeff

Catron will attend a general instruction class. An instructor from the state highway patrol will be at the department Nov. 2 for MULES training, he said.

**City Hall/Treasurer/Economic Development** – Ms. Girondo reviewed highlights of her written report.

**Review Approval of Bills**

Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$233,340.83. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

**Final Questions**

Mr. Toothman questioned the placement of stop signs near the Coca Cola warehouses, and was informed the signs are not official state stop signs. Pastor Purl said the food pantry is making plans to distribute food baskets at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

**Vote to Enter Executive Session**

Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Lambright seconded the motion to exit regular session and enter executive session to discuss business for the purpose of dealing with matters related to one or more of the following: legal actions, causes of action, litigation or privileged communications between the City’s representatives and its attorney pursuant to Section 610.021(1), RSMo; leasing, purchase or sale of real estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefore, pursuant to Section 610.021(2), RSMo; and hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body when personal information about the employee is discussed or recorded, pursuant to Section 610.021(3), RSMo. Roll was taken with the following vote:

Alderman O’Connor	Yea	Alderman Rohr	Yea
Alderman Lambright	Yea	Alderman Dixon	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

The Board returned to open session from Executive Session.

**Adjournment**

Alderman O’Connor moved and Alderman Lambright seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Attested: \_\_\_\_\_

