

**City of Wright City
Board of Aldermen Meeting Minutes
Monday, December 29, 2014**

Signed in Attendance: Tim Schmidt of Warren County Record.

City Official Attendance: Mayor Heiliger, Alderman Schuchmann, Alderman Toothman, Alderman Bruce and Alderman Rowden were present.

Staff and Others Present: City Clerk Christine Martin, City Superintendent Larry Janish, City Attorney Paul Rost, Park Director Curt Kehoe, Police Chief Matthew Eskew, and Police Officer Jim Hepperman. Treasurer Karen Girondo was absent.

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, Bruce and Toothman present. The City Clerk reported the Mayor and four (4) Board Members present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Alderman Bruce led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from Board Meeting of December 11, 2014 - Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve the minutes from the Board of Aldermen Meeting of December 11, 2014. Alderman Rowden seconded it and the motion unanimously carried._

Approval of Financial Reports – None

Responses to previous comments/concerns – None

Open Meeting to public comments/concerns – None

Public Hearing – None

Recommendations from Planning & Zoning – None

Old Business

2014 Budget Amendments – Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve the 2014 Budget Amendments. Alderman Bruce seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

2015 Budget – Alderman Rowden made a motion to approve the 2015 Budget. Alderman Toothman seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Utilities Payment Agreement Request – Account #100536004 – The Board discussed the utility account and the issue of not being able to collect delinquent bills from the landlords due to a computer software issue. They asked that this item be moved to the next Workshop and Mayor Heiliger asked that Robin Polston be present at the Workshop Meeting.

New Business

Water/Sewer Penalty – Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to send this item to the Workshop and asked City Attorney Paul Rost to rewrite the ordinance to incorporate a 10 percent penalty on the month that the utility bill becomes delinquent and a 1.5 percent penalty on each month’s account balance. Alderman Rowden seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Approval of 2015 City Calendar – Alderman Rowden made a motion to approve the 2015 City Calendar with the change of the second December Board Meeting to be held on Monday, December 28th, 2015. Alderman Toothman seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Payment Agreement Status Report – Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve the Payment Agreement Status Report, with a detail to be provided on Account #201513601 at the next Board Meeting. Alderman Rowden seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Police – Hiring of Part-time Officer – Police Chief Matthew Eskew recommended hiring Jeannette Poole as a part-time officer effective immediately at the hourly pay of \$11.75. Mayor Heiliger made a recommendation to approve hiring Jeannette Poole as a part-time officer at the hourly pay of \$11.75. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to accept the Mayor’s recommendation to approve hiring Jeannette Poole as a part-time officer at the hourly pay of \$11.75 effective immediately. Alderman Rowden seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Police Department Training – Police Chief Eskew asked the Board for permission to send Officer Deatherage to training for creating a Warren County C.S.I. Task Force. He stated that Warren County Sheriff has offered to pay for the training cost and gas for the training that will be conducted in Youngsville, North Carolina, from January 5th to January 9th, 2015. The City’s cost for motel accommodations will be \$690. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve the C.S.I. Training for Officer Deatherage. Alderman Bruce seconded it and the motion unanimously carried. Alderman Schuchmann stated he would like to see an Agreement or a Memorandum of Understanding from the Warren County Sheriff’s Department. Chief Eskew stated they will have some type of agreement drawn up.

Ordinance/Resolutions

Resolution #29-14 - A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE TOTAL FUND AMOUNTS IN THE 2014 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF WRIGHT CITY. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve Resolution #29-14 by title. Alderman Rowden seconded it and the motion unanimously carried. Roll was taken with the following vote:

Alderman Schuchmann	Yea	Alderman Bruce	Yea
Alderman Toothman	Yea	Alderman Rowden	Yea

The Resolution having the majority vote of the members present was adopted. Said Resolution was thereupon presented to the Mayor and City Clerk for their signatures and approval and then duly signed and becomes Resolution #29-14 of the City of Wright City, Missouri.

Resolution #30-14 - A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF WRIGHT CITY, MISSOURI FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING ON JANUARY 1, 2015 AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS PURSUANT THERETO. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve Resolution #30-14 by title. Alderman Bruce seconded it and the motion unanimously carried. Roll was taken with the following vote:

Alderman Schuchmann	Yea	Alderman Bruce	Yea
Alderman Toothman	Yea	Alderman Rowden	Yea

The Resolution having the majority vote of the members present was adopted. Said Resolution was thereupon presented to the Mayor and City Clerk for their signatures and approval and then duly signed and becomes Resolution #30-14 of the City of Wright City, Missouri.

Reports

Park – Park Director Curt Kehoe presented his report to the Board.

He said they are taking all of the decorations down. The next project is to wax all of the floors New Year’s weekend, if the material is delivered.

Public Works – Superintendent Larry Janish reported to the Board that everyone is using their comp time up.

Building Official – No Report was submitted.

Police – Police Chief Eskew was present and reported to the Board and said they had 842 calls for service, with 32 incident reports since the last meeting. Some reports included fugitive arrests, forgery, animal abuse, driving while intoxicated, possession of a controlled substance, and distribution of a controlled substance. He said the Criminal Investigation Division obtained a search warrant and executed it at a residence on Bridle Spur, and found traces of narcotics. They are waiting for lab analysis of the narcotics to be returned and will be forwarding it to the Prosecutor’s Office for charges. He said burglaries have been down since November 21, with the extra patrol. Chief Eskew also discussed the Christmas Toy Drive that was going on at Dollar General. There were about 150 gifts that were received for kids. Officer Catron took them up to the School District where they were wrapped by the students. They used the DARE vehicle as Santa’s Sleigh and gifts were dropped off to kids.

City Hall – City Clerk Christine Martin reported to the Board.

Licenses Issued – Jerry Wolford at 14980-B Veterans Memorial Parkway

Licenses Pending – Fireworks Fanatics for Storage Containers at 277 E. Service Road N. Business License Renewals are coming in on a daily basis with close to 40 licenses issued and five (5) pending tax information. The only Conditional Use Permit pending is Thomas Foster for a home office that was postponed due to not attending the Planning & Zoning Meeting.

Treasurer/Economic Development – Treasurer Karen Girondo was absent, but provided a congratulation letter from MODOT for the 2015 Transportation Alternative Program Project which is the sidewalk grant.

Review/Approval of Bills – Alderman Toothman made a motion to approve the Bills.
Alderman Bruce seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Final Questions – Mayor Heiliger thanked everyone for all the time and efforts they put in.

Adjournment – Alderman Schuchmann made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 pm.
Alderman Rowden seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Approved _____

Attested _____