

City of Wright City
Board of Aldermen Meeting
November 9, 2010, 6:30 pm

Signed in Attendance: Harold and Carol Luddecke, Mike Schriener, Tony Girondo, Trae Ruge, Mary Sue Sitton, Debbie Meyer, Corri Ruge, Marcella Holiway, Butch Ruge, Linda Schneider, Nancy Huster, Jane Reed, and Jerome Zeilman

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

Staff and Others: City Clerk Christine Martin, Superintendent Larry Janish, Economic Developer/Treasurer Karen Girondo, Police Officer Jeff Scanlon, and City Attorney Josh Payton of Cunningham, Vogel & Rost. Police Chief Henry Matthews was absent.

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, Black, Schuchmann, Reynolds and Toothman present. The City Clerk reported the Mayor and four Board Members present.

Meeting Minutes

Approval of Minutes from the Special Board Meeting of August 24, 2010 – Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to postpone approval of the Minutes from the Special Board Meeting of August 24, 2010, pending further review. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Approval of Minutes from Board Meeting of October 28, 2010 – Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve the Minutes from the Board Meeting of October 28, 2010. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Responses to previous comments/concerns - None

Open meeting to public comments/concerns – Nancy Huster asked about the semi trailers on the north side of Highway 70 before you get to Strachs Church Road. Wayne Ham was present and said the trailers belong to Paul Hunt. He stated he has had to move trailers he had on his property and feels Wright City has a say in getting it off the highway right-of-way. He asked if the City could stop it from going any further and could try to get the trailers removed by approaching Warren County Planning & Zoning to get the trailers removed. Alderman Schuchmann said the property is not in the City but the City will be in touch with Warren County Planning & Zoning. The City has put an emphasis on improving the appearance of the I-70 Corridor. Wayne Ham said he would appreciate the City's help to get the trailers off the right-of-way. Nancy Huster said

utility trailers in yards are not allowed and said those trailers should not be allowed either. Mr. Ham said the trailers were moved there illegally and it will only get worse because Mr. Hunt has about 40 junk trailers in Truesdale that could be moved there too. Nancy Huster brought up the City offering a building for the Country Christmas vendors that had been using Dyer Park in Warrenton. She said that Warrenton has decided to charge them for the three-day event where they had not before.

FMB Bank Proclamation

A Proclamation was read by Mayor Heiliger and presented to Butch Ruge of FMB Bank for a hundred years in business. Mr. Butch Ruge of FMB Band thanked Mayor and Aldermen on behalf of his family and employees. Warren County Record Photographer Jana Todd was present and took pictures of the presentation with FMB Bank family and employees.

Public Hearing - None

Old Business

Review of 2011 Trash Service Bid Requirements & Contract – Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to advertise for bids pending further review of the Trash Contract by the City Attorney. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

2011 Budget Meetings – Treasurer Karen Girondo said another Budget Meeting needs to be set up. The Board agreed to hold a meeting on Tuesday, November 23, 2010, at 6:00 pm.

New Business

Utility Bill – Request for Sewer Adjustment - Mr. Jerome Zeilman of 11 Forest Lake Drive was present and asked the Board to reduce the sewer bill from \$136.02 to \$65.87 as this is what it was last month. He stated he had sprinklers installed and the system leaked a lot of water as his October water usage was about 42,300 gallons, compared to 12,100 in July and 19,300 gallons in September. Alderman Schuchmann said we could look back a couple of years for an average use and possibly look at adjusting accordingly. Mr. Zeilman said he still expects to pay for his water use but would like consideration on the sewer charge since it did not go through the sewer. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to amend the bill pending further review by City staff to come up with a fair equitable charge and to notify him with that amount. Alderman Black seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Utility Billing Adjustment Report for October - Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to accept the Utility Billing Adjustment Report for October. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried

Vacation Carryover – City Clerk – City Clerk Christine asked the Board if she could carry over four (4) days of vacation for either 30 or 60 days as her anniversary date is November 29th. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to allow the City Clerk to carry over her unused vacation for sixty (60) days. Alderman Toothman seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Ordinance/Resolutions

Resolution #39-10 was presented to the Board. Resolution #39-10 was read by title. A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION FOR THE CITY OF WRIGHT CITY, MISSOURI, ON APRIL 5, 2011. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve Resolution #39-10 Alderman Toothman seconded it and the motion unanimously carried. Roll call was taken with the following vote:

Alderman Schuchman	Yea	Alderman Toothman	Yea
Alderman Black	Yea	Alderman Reynolds	Yea

The Resolution having the majority vote of the members present was adopted. Said Resolution was thereupon presented to the Mayor and President of the Board for their signatures and approval. It was then duly signed and becomes Resolution #39-10 of the City of Wright City, Missouri.

Bill #40-10 was presented to the Board. Bill 40-10 was read for the first time by title. AN ORDINANCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF REPEALING SECTION 215.160 OF CHAPTER 215: OFFENSES, GENERALLY OF TITLE II OF THE WRIGHT CITY MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO FIREWORKS, AND CREATING A NEW CHAPTER 218 FIREWORKS TO THE CITY OF WRIGHT CITY MUNICIPAL CODE PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS, PERMITS, SALES, POSSESSION, USE, DISCHARGE CONFISCATION, NOTIFICATION, DISPOSITION AND PENALTIES AND AMENDING SECTIONS OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to read Bill 40-10 a second time by title. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried. After the second reading, Alderman Schuchmann moved that Bill #40-10 be placed upon final passage. Alderman Black seconded it and the motion unanimously carried. Mayor Heiliger then put the question “Shall Bill #40-10 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 #729 of the City of Wright City, Missouri.

Bill #41-10 was presented to the Board. Bill 41-10 was read for the first time by title. AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR ACCEPTANCE OF REDEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS, FOR PROVIDING OF REQUIRED NOTICES, FOR PREPARATION OF TAX IMPACT STATEMENTS AND FURNISHING OF SAME TO AFFECTED POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, AND FOR CONDUCTING OF PUBLIC HEARINGS ON PROPOSALS FOR TAX ABATEMENT OR EXEMPTION: AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE FORMATION OF THE WRIGHT CITY REDEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, ALL PURSUANT TO REQUIREMENTS OF THE URBAN REDEVELOPMENT CORPORATIONS LAW. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to read Bill 41-10 a second time by title. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried. After the second reading, Alderman Schuchmann moved that Bill #41-10 be placed upon final passage. Alderman Black seconded it

and the motion unanimously carried. Mayor Heiliger then put the question “Shall Bill #41-10 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 for his signature and approval. It was then duly signed and becomes Ordinance #730 of the City of Wright City, Missouri.

Reports

Engineering – None

Park - Curt Kehoe gave a report to the Board. Curt said the Trick or Trunk was a huge success with more than 400 kids and they ran out of all of the Halloween stuff to give away and were done before 8:00 pm. He said the FFA kids did a great job helping out and the Fire Department with giving out hotdogs. The Strassenbash Queen and the candidates showed up and helped by handing out the Fireman’s candy and treats. Curt said there was less kids out on the street. Curt asked Nancy Huster if the Park Building would be large enough for the Country Christmas vendors and she said it would not be. Curt said the Christmas Parade this year will be on December 2nd and is expected to double in size. December 4th will be Breakfast with Santa with the Wright City Student Council as staff. Curt said the City has been accepted into the new Horizon League. The Cities that participate are New Melle, St. Peters, Wentzville, Lake St. Louis and Dardenne.

Public Works - Superintendent Larry Janish gave report to the Board. He said the Kerland Water Line Project is completed, but there are some things that need to be corrected. Larry said he still needs to do a punch list due to valve boxes being too high and some ditches will not drain. Larry said the City will hold 5 percent. Treasurer Karen Gironde said City Clerk Christine Martin received an Invoice from Mehler & Sons for payment of 100 percent in the amount of \$55,000. Alderman Schuchmann asked that Mick Mehler’s bills be added to the bills to be approved on November 23rd and to work on the punch list before then. Larry Janish discussed the Industrial Park Sign and said a permit was approved by the Norfolk-Southern a week or so ago and was told to do nothing until he had the permit in hand. Larry said he received a call today saying not to put the sign up, because the height was to be 15 feet from the bottom of the sign to grade, instead of 4 feet.

WWTF – Larry said EDI, HDR and Public Works conducted another flow test on November 1st and they are waiting for the results on that from HDR. Larry announced Holly no longer works for DNR and they will only be working with Jeremy Lay. Larry asked permission to purchase chemicals for the WWTF and the 10 Lift Stations the City owns as the price will be doubling after the January 1st due to a petroleum product that it contains. Larry said they spend approximately \$25 per week on each lift station or about \$250 per month. Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to approve the purchase of degreaser chemicals for the WWTF. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion unanimously carried.

Building Official - Harry said there have been two (2) total permits issued; one (1) fence at 133 Auburn Drive and one for repairs at 250 Red Leaf Court.

Police Department – Police Officer Jeff Scanlon was present and gave report. He said they’ve had 270 calls since the last Board Meeting. He reported there was a home invasion on Beretta

Court and the person and a juvenile was arrested and charged with two felony warrants each and today he arrested an individual for assault and he is jailed.

City Hall – City Clerk Christine Martin asked for permission to pay the normal routine bills since there will not be another meeting until December 9th and mentioned a bill received from Mick Mehler & Sons that must be paid within 30 days. The Board agreed that bills could be approved on November 23rd during the special meeting being held for Budget. She also brought up a request from a resident that claims they made a payment on their account but it was applied to another account with the same last name. The Board discussed it and asked to postpone to research if the other party had a receipt for payment.

Treasurer - Karen Girondo said October Financials are on the table and said we are still ahead of last year in collections of revenue. She stated she went to the last Memorial Society Meeting on Friday and they asked about their \$5,000 for mowing. She said the interest on the Endowment Fund is only 1.2 percent at this time and they are not getting much interest off of it, only a little over \$400 a month on it. The mower was at the meeting and he is raising his fee to \$800 per month from \$750. If there is no objection there will be a check in the next bills. Karen said she needs to transfer the \$100,000 that was budgeted from Water Depreciation to Water Fund for the water line project and also transfer from the Sewer Replacement Fund to the Bond Fund. The Board had not problem with the transfers.

Economic Development - Karen Girondo said she attended a MEDC Conference on Commercial Development and said the big emphasis is on “grow your own”. They had a preconstruction meeting on the Sidewalk Project on November 8th, and they are in town today working on it and will start pouring sidewalks Monday November 15th. She said Cochran will have someone on site 2 to 3 days a week. Nancy Huster asked about Scotts and Karen Girondo said it is progressing.

Review/Approval of Bills

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

Final Questions – Nancy Huster asked about Stuermann Road. Mayor Heiliger said it is progressing. Nancy Huster also asked about closed sessions and when decisions are announced. Mayor Heiliger and Alderman Schuchmann explained decisions are announced as soon as legally possible on real estate and legal situations, unless it is something that just has to remain as a closed record.

Vote to go to Executive Session - The Board had no business to take to executive session.

Adjournment - Alderman Schuchmann made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm. Alderman Reynolds seconded it and the motion carried

Approved _____

Attested _____