

**City of Wright City
Board of Aldermen Meeting
Thursday, February 22, 2018
City Hall, 203 Veterans Memorial Parkway**

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

Roll Call

City Clerk Karen Girondo called the roll with Mayor Rowden, Alderman John O'Connor, Alderman Kerry Lambright, Alderman Nathan Rohr and Alderman Tom Dixon present. City staff present were City Clerk/Treasurer Karen Girondo, Public Works Director Kenny Robinett, Police Chief Matthew Eskew, Project Manager James Schuchmann, Parks Director Curt Kehoe, City Attorney Paul Rost, Police Chaplin Joseph Purl and Police Officer James Heppermann. Others present were James Toothman, Cheryl Lambright, Randy Lewis, Wayne Nolting, Rudy Jovanovic with the Wright City Fire Protection District, Richard, Sumer, David and Jeffrey Vellinga and Adam Rollins of the Warren County Record.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Rowden asked Alderman Lambright to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes, Financial Reports

Alderman O'Connor moved and Alderman Lambright seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2018, Board of Aldermen meeting. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0. Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to approve the December 2017 financial reports. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Responses to Previous Comments/Concerns

None

Open Meeting to Public Comments/Concerns

Mr. Nolting inquired if the City had determined how many, if any, sewer taps had been granted by the City for the 56-acre tract located adjacent to Ruge Park. Mr. Rost said he had researched the matter and the City granted one sewer tap to the property. Mr. Nolting also asked how he could obtain a copy of the City's contract to purchase property on Bell Road for a city park contingent upon passage of Proposition U. Mayor Rowden informed him he must fill out a sunshine request for the document.

Public Hearing

None

Recommendations from Planning and Zoning Commission

None

Old Business

Wright City Municipal Project Status Report – Mr. Schuchmann said he contacted four companies seeking bids for concrete floor replacement at the new city hall building, and two submitted bids. They are: KC Concrete, \$3,445.00; Mates Concrete, \$4,025.00. He recommended the Board accept the KC Concrete bid. Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Lambright seconded the motion to accept the bid of \$3,445.00 from KC Concrete. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0. Mr. Schuchmann also suggested the City may want to consider allowing a company to locate a cell tower at the site of the new city hall. This would allow the City to install the police radio repeater on the tower. The repeater is now located on the old water tower in the downtown area, and if that tower is removed, the repeater must be relocated, he said.

Cemetery Mowing – Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman Dixon seconded the motion to seek bids for the mowing and grounds upkeep at the city cemetery. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

New Business

Boy Scouts Painting Fire Hydrants – Richard Vellinga presented a proposal to paint the fire hydrants within the city limits as part of his Eagle Scout Project. Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Lambright seconded the motion to allow Richard Vellinga to paint the fire hydrants based on permission from the Wright City Fire Department with the City to furnish the paint. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

UB Payment Agreement Status Report – Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman O'Connor seconded the motion to approve the UB Payment Agreement Status Report. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

UB Balance Adjustment Report January – Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman Dixon seconded the motion to approve the UB Balance Adjustment Report for January. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

UB Payment Agreement Request #400054002 – Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman O'Connor seconded the motion to approve a payment agreement request for UB account holder #400054002. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Police Router – Chief Eskew asked the Aldermen to table this matter while he gathers information from the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Ordinance/Resolutions

None

Reports

Parks – Mr. Kehoe reported on upcoming events at the parks, and reported the Heiliger Activity Building is being rented two nights a week for a dance/exercise class.

Public Works – Mr. Robinett reviewed highlights of his written report.

Building Official – The Aldermen reviewed the January building report.

Police – Chief Eskew reviewed highlights of his department's calls, investigations and arrests. Chief Eskew said a police car was damaged when it was driven through a gully by officers responding to reports of shots fired recently. Damages totaled \$1,116.90, and an insurance claim has been filed, he said. He reported Off. Matthew Lackey will attend training to be certified as a Type 2 BAC operator. In light of recent school shootings, Chief Eskew said he has reviewed his Department's response procedures and has determined additional training would be valuable. He

said he plans to send Detectives Tom Canavan and Christopher Beard and School Resource Officer Jeffrey Catron to tactical training, and upon completion of the training, they can then train other officers.

City Hall/Treasurer/Economic Development – Ms. Girondo said she has been preparing reports and documents for the upcoming financial audit and said she has had several inquiries from persons interested in property for businesses, multi-family housing and residential. She said Court Clerk Marie Hollenbeck is requesting permission to carry over three unused vacation days. Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman O’Connor seconded the motion to allow Marie Hollenbeck to carry over three unused vacation days. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Review/Approval of Bills

Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman O’Connor seconded the motion to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$43,805.58. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Announcements

Mayor Rowden reminded the Aldermen of several upcoming events – the informational meeting February 27 regarding Proposition U, the 100 People Who Care event, Blue and Gold Dinner and Auction, all scheduled in March. Ms. Girondo said the annual business breakfast sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce will also be held in March.

Final Questions

Pastor Purl reported the Wright City Food Pantry has received its 501C3 designation from the Internal Revenue Service.

Vote to Enter Executive Session

Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman O’Connor 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. 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: _____

