

**City of Wright City
Board of Aldermen Meeting
Thursday, May 9, 2019
City Hall, 636 Westwoods Road**

Mayor Dan Rowden called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Board of Aldermen Chambers of the City Hall, 636 Westwoods Road, Wright City, Missouri.

Roll Call

City Clerk Karen Girondo called the roll with Mayor Rowden, Alderman Nathan Rohr, Alderman John O'Connor and Alderman Kerry Lambright. Alderman Thomas Dixon was absent. City staff present were City Clerk/Treasurer Karen Girondo, City Administrator James Schuchmann, Public Works Superintendent Rob Hamlin, Police Chief Matthew Eskew, Parks Director Curt Kehoe, City Attorney Paul Rost, Police Chaplain Joseph Purl, Abbie Ogborn, Officer Jose Malta and Officer James Hepperman. Others present were Jennifer Olivio, Ryan Ordway and Adam Rollins of the Warren County Record.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Approval of Minutes/Financial Reports

Alderman O'Connor moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2019, Board of Aldermen meeting. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0. Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman O'Connor seconded the motion to approve the April financial reports. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Responses to Previous Comments/Concerns

None

Open Meeting to Public Comments/Concerns

Mayor Rowden congratulated Officer Malta on being the recipient of the John J. McEntee Award presented by the Missouri Mental Health Association. Officer Malta was honored for the care and compassion he demonstrates as an officer.

Pastor Purl said the food pantry is preparing to offer a summer lunch program. The pantry also needs donations of grape jelly, he said.

Public Hearing

None

Recommendations from Planning and Zoning Commission

None

Old Business

Wright City Municipal Project Status Report - Mr. Schuchmann said progress continues on the renovation of the former city hall building.

New Business

Special Permit Town and County Garage – Alderman O’Connor moved and Alderman Rohr seconded a motion to approve an application for a special permit submitted by Town and County Garage to hold a car show from 12 to 5 p.m. June 1, 2019, at 309 East First Street North. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Special Permit Wright City Chamber of Commerce – Ms. Olivio presented an application on behalf of the Wright City Chamber of Commerce to conduct a carnival June 21, 22 and 23 at 100 Bell Road. She said the event will feature carnival rides and food vendors. No alcohol will be served, she said. Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman O’Connor seconded the motion to issue a special permit to the Wright City Chamber of Commerce for a carnival June 21, 22 and 23 at 100 Bell Road. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Utility Adjustment Report – Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman O’Connor seconded the motion to approve the utility adjustment report for April. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

GBA Proposal for Street Design – The Aldermen agreed to review a proposal submitted by George Butler Associates, Inc. for street design services during the next two weeks and place the proposal on an upcoming agenda. Alderman Lambright moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to table discussion of the GBA proposal. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Medical Marijuana Ordinance Draft/Changes to Chapter 430 – The Aldermen reviewed proposed regulations regarding medical marijuana dispensaries. Public hearings on the proposals will be conducted May 20 before the Planning and Zoning Commission and May 23 before the Board of Aldermen.

Account #100481001 Penalty Write Off – Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman O’Connor seconded the motion to waive the penalty imposed on account #100481001. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Ordinance/Resolutions

Bill #8-19 – AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PORTION OF AN ALLEY WITHIN THE CITY OF WRIGHT CITY, WARREN COUNTY, MISSOURI, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS Ms. Girondo read the Bill by title. Alderman Lambright moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to read Bill #8-19 a second time. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0. Ms. Girondo read the Bill a second time. Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman O’Connor seconded the motion for final reading and passage of Bill #8-19. Roll was taken with the following vote:

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

The motion was approved 3-0 with Alderman Dixon being absent. 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 of Aldermen for their signature and approval, and the duly signed becomes Ordinance #964 of the City of Wright City, Missouri.

Bill #10-19 – AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PORTION OF A PUBLIC STREET KNOWN AS THIRD STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF WRIGHT CITY, WARREN COUNTY, MISSOURI, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS Alderman Lambright moved and

Alderman O'Connor seconded the motion to table Bill #10-19. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Reports

Parks – Mr. Kehoe asked the Board to approve the purchase of concrete parking blocks to be installed at the Ruge Park parking lot. He presented bids for the purchase of the blocks from Schreiter Concrete for \$1,300.00 and from Midwest Block for \$1,375.00. Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman O'Connor seconded the motion to purchase concrete parking blocks from Schreiter Concrete. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Mr. Kehoe said the farmer's market begins May 23 and the flag retirement ceremony is June 8. Mr. Kehoe asked the Aldermen to consider increasing the hourly wages of employees Jacob Meneau, Michael Holmes and Leo Kniffen. Mayor Rowden recommended Mr. Meneau's hourly rate be increased from \$10.00 to \$13.00 and the hourly wage for Mr. Holmes and Mr. Kniffen increased from \$8.60 to \$10.00. Alderman O'Connor moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to set Jacob Meneau's hourly wage at \$13.00 and the hourly rate for Mr. Holmes and Mr. Kniffen at \$10.00. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Public Works – Mr. Hamlin reviewed highlights of his written report and said he plans weekly safety meetings with the department employees. Alderman Rohr suggested the City look into the cost of sweeping city streets. Mr. Schuchmann was asked to obtain quotes for the work.

Building Official – Alderman Lambright moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to approve the building report. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Police – Chief Eskew reviewed highlights of his Department's calls for service, arrests and incidents. The annual fishing derby will be held June 1, he said. Alderman Lambright moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to allow Tom Canavan to carryover 32 hours of vacation to be used within 90 days. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

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

City Administrator – Mr. Schuchmann said reports regarding violations of the City's building and occupancy regulations will be sent to the city prosecuting attorney for review. He said he met with Tom Glosia and Jeffery Schroer regarding streets in Auburn Meadows.

Review/Approval of Bills

Alderman O'Connor moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to pay bills in the amount of \$78,719.77. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Announcement

None

Final Questions

Mr. Ordway, a resident of Hickory Trail Drive, said speeding motorists is a concern in his neighborhood where many children reside. He asked the Aldermen to consider installing speed bumps on the street. The Aldermen said speed bumps are not installed on city streets, but a sign that alerts motorists to "children playing" could be erected.

Vote to Enter Executive Session

Alderman Lambright moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to exit regular session and enter executive session to discuss business for the purpose of dealing with matters related to legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys pursuant to Section 610.021(1), RSMo and the 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 Rohr	Yea	Alderman O'Connor	Yea
Alderman Dixon	Absent	Alderman Lambright	Yea

The motion was approved 3-0 with Alderman Dixon absent.

The Board returned to open session.

Adjournment

Alderman O'Connor moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Approved: _____

Attested: _____