

**City of Wright City
Board of Aldermen Meeting
Thursday, January 10, 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 John O'Connor, Alderman Nathan Rohr, Alderman Thomas Dixon and Alderman Kerry Lambright present. City staff present were City Clerk/Treasurer Karen Girondo, City Administrator James Schuchmann, Police Chief Matthew Eskew, Parks Director Curt Kehoe, City Attorney Paul Rost, Police Chaplain Joseph Purl, Abby Ogborn and Officer James Hepperman. Also present were Nancy Huster, Scott Schroeder and Kelvin Lashley.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Rowden asked Chief Eskew to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes/Financial Reports

Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman O'Connor seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the December 27, 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 November financial reports. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Responses to Previous Comments/Concerns

None

Open Meeting to Public Comments/Concerns

Ms. Huster, a resident of 407 East North First Street, addressed the Aldermen concerning several matters. She said a travel trailer has been located in front of the residence at 503A Veterans Memorial Parkway for several months, and it appears individuals are occupying the trailer. She questioned the location of a storage building at Cherry Street and Veterans Memorial Parkway, and said the building is located at the lot line. Ms. Huster reported a street light is out at East North First Street and Mueller Avenue, and trash cans are being left next to mailboxes and mail cannot be delivered. City officials said they will check into the issues Ms. Huster mentioned.

Public Hearing

None

Recommendations from Planning and Zoning Commission

None

Old Business

Wright City Municipal Project Status Report – The Aldermen reviewed bids from Butler Supply for \$2,661.90 and Holt Electrical Supplies for \$3,200.00 for two light poles and hardware at the City Hall. Mr. Schuchmann and Mayor recommended the Board accept the Butler Supply bid. Alderman O'Connor moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to accept the bid from Butler Supply for \$2,661.90 for two light poles and hardware. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0. Mr. Schuchmann said demolition work continues on the interior of the former city hall building.

Don Goeglein Memorandum of Understanding – The Aldermen took no action on the Memorandum. City officials said the performance bond submitted by Mr. Goeglein did not include the correct address for the construction work.

Trash Service – Mr. Schuchmann said he spoke with Derrick Stanley of Meridian Waste, and the company will continue recycling pick up through January 31, 2019, and the Aldermen will need to make a decision by the end of the month on what, if any, recycling services the City will provide. He said the costs of dual stream recycling is \$4.50 per month per residence and the cost for plastics only is between \$2 and \$2.50 monthly.

Sidewalks in front of United Church of Christ – Ms. Girondo said the City's 1976 contract with the Missouri Department of Transportation indicates the maintenance/repair of the sidewalk in front of the United Church of Christ at the corner of the North Outer Road and Elm Avenue is the responsibility of the City. Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman O'Connor seconded the motion to ask the City's engineer to determine what repairs are needed and prepare specifications. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Street Assessment – Mr. Schuchmann proposed conducting a traffic count on Bell Road and Westwoods Road as part of the City's street assessment. George Butler Associates will provide three counters at a cost of \$2,439.30, and Boonslick Regional Planning Commission will provide four counters at a cost of \$800.00, he said. Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Lambright seconded the motion to rent four traffic counters from Boonslick Regional Planning Commission at a cost of \$800.00. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

New Business

2018 Budget Amendments – Ms. Girondo presented the proposed amendments to the 2018 budget.

Transfer of Money – Ms. Girondo asked the Aldermen to approve the following transfers of funds: \$1,426,000.00 from the general fund to the park fund to pay for the purchase of the new park ground and to pay off the bonds on the Heiliger Activity Building; \$5,725.00 from the general fund and \$4,800.00 from the cemetery endowment fund to the cemetery fund to pay for the mowing of the city cemetery. Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman O'Connor seconded the motion to approve the transfer of \$1,426,000 from the general fund to the park fund and \$5,725 and \$4,800 from the endowment fund to the cemetery fund. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Purchase of Police Vehicles – Chief Eskew asked the Aldermen to approve the purchase of two 2015 Dodge Chargers from the Missouri State Highway Patrol and a used Ford vehicle from Gastorf Chevrolet. The total costs, including outfitting the vehicles as patrol cars, is \$62,949.70. Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman Dixon seconded the motion to purchase three vehicles for the police department at a total cost of \$62,949.70. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Ordinance/Resolutions

Resolution #R13-18 – A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE TOTAL FUND AMOUNTS IN THE 2018 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF WRIGHT CITY, MISSOURI.

Alderman Lambright moved and Alderman Dixon seconded the motion to approve Resolution R13-18. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Reports

Parks – Mr. Kehoe said the Park Board elected officers at its last meeting, and Mary Long was elected president. Tina Perry will serve as vice president, and Patsy Jones was elected secretary. The Board agreed to have parks department employee Liz Schubert attend Board meetings and take notes of the meetings on behalf of the secretary. He said Misfits for Jesus donated a new sign listing the park rules at Diekroeger Park, and he announced 2019 concerts in the park and blood drives.

Public Works – In the absence of the public works director, there was no report.

Building Official – There was no report.

Police – Chief Eskew reviewed highlights of his written report regarding arrests, calls and investigations handled by his Department.

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

Review/Approval of Bills

Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman O'Connor seconded the motion to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$122,879.18. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Announcement

None

Final Questions

A resident of Spring Hill Circle asked about the surveying that is being conducted in the subdivision. Mr. Schuchmann said Public Water Supply District No. 2 is attempting to connect the former city-owner sewer system with its sewer system and is surveying the area to determine how best to connect the lines.

Vote to Enter Executive Session

Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Lambright seconded the motion to exit regular session and enter executive session at 7:33 p.m. 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; and hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by a public government 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.

Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman Dixon seconded the motion to exit executive session and return to open session at 8:22 p.m. 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.

Adjournment

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

Approved: _____

Attested: _____