

**City of Wright City
Board of Aldermen Meeting
Thursday, September 26, 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, Alderman Thomas Dixon and Alderman Kerry Lambright present. City staff present were City Clerk Karen Girondo, City Administrator James Schuchmann, Police Chief Matthew Eskew, Parks Director Curt Kehoe, City Attorney Paul Rost, Abbie Ogborn and Officer James Hepperman. Also present were Kim Purl, Christina Lemons, Catrina King, Jade Meyer, Jordan Meyer and Adam Rollins of the Warren County Record.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Rowden asked Chief Eskew 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 September 12, 2019, Board of Aldermen meeting. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0. Ms. Girondo said there were no financial reports to consider.

Responses to Previous Comments/Concerns

None

Open Meeting to Public Comments/Concerns

None

Public Hearing

None

Recommendations from Planning and Zoning Commission

None

Old Business

Wright City Municipal Project Status Report – Mr. Schuchmann updated Aldermen regarding the renovation work at the police department offices.

New Business

Special Permit – Homecoming Parade WCHS – Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman O'Connor seconded the motion to issue a special permit to Wright City High School to conduct a homecoming parade from 1 to 2:30 p.m. October 25, 2019. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

2020 Budget – Lagers – Ms. Girondo said she continues to prepare budgetary figures and is gathering information on the cost of raising the Lagers benefit from its current 1 percent.

Penalty Write-off Request Account #203015001 – Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman O'Connor seconded the motion to waive \$40.00 in penalty fees for utility account holder #203015001 if the account holder sets up automatic pay. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Special Permit for Faith Fest – Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to issue a special permit to Misfits for Jesus for Faith Fest and to make West Second Street north one way going west from Diekroeger Park to Roelker Road from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. September 28, 2019. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Ordinance/Resolutions

None

Reports

Parks – Mr. Kehoe said the area around the new playground equipment at Ruge Park has been seeded and strawed. The final Farmer's Market is September 26, he said. He is preparing for 500 children at the annual Trunk or Treat October 31.

Public Works – Mr. Schuchmann said employees have fixed a portion of Winter Wheat Street and have repaired potholes and assisted with playground improvements.

Building Official – Alderman reviewed the building report.

Police – Chief Eskew reviewed calls, incidents and arrests his department handled. He also said the department has been offered a 2003 Ford Econoline Van with 78,000 miles. Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman O'Connor seconded the motion to accept donation of the 2003 Ford Econoline van. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

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

City Administrator – Mr. Schuchmann said he plans to contact officials with the railroad to discuss ways to improve the area the railroad owns along First Street. He reported city engineers are reviewing the storm water plans for Plat 6 of Gettysburg Commons. He said the Greater Warren County Economic Development Council met recently at City Hall.

Review/Approval of Bills

Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Lambright seconded the motion to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$63,396.37. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Announcement

None

Final Questions

Mr. Meyer said he lives off Highway H and his truck was ordered towed because it was not licensed. He said the vehicle is usually kept in a garage. He asked if it was legal to tow a vehicle without giving notice to the owner. The Mayor suggested he discuss the matter with the police chief.

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; and 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	Yea	Alderman Lambright	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

The Board returned to open session from executive session.

Adjournment

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

Approved: _____

Attested: _____