# City of Wright City Board of Aldermen Meeting Thursday, January 23, 2020 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 Thomas Dixon and Alderman Kerry Lambright present. Alderman John O'Connor was absent. City staff present were City Clerk/Treasurer Karen Girondo, City Administrator James Schuchmann, Police Chief Matthew Eskew, City Attorney Paul Rost, Police Chaplain Joseph Purl, Abbie Ogborn, Stephanie Hampton and Off. James Hepperman.

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Dan Rowden led the Pledge of Allegiance.

# **Approval of Minutes/Financial Reports**

Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Lambright seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2020, Board of Aldermen meeting. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0. Ms. Girondo said the December financial report was not available because officials are awaiting the December property tax receipts from the county treasurer.

#### **Responses to Previous Comments/Concerns**

None

# **Open Meeting to Public Comments/Concerns**

None

#### **Recommendations from Planning and Zoning Commission**

None

#### **Old Business**

Wright City Municipal Project Status Report – Mr. Schuchmann presented four bids for plumbing work at the police department renovation project. The bids are: \$18,500.00 from Ingram Plumbing, Inc., of Bowling Green; \$37,725.00 from AJ Sherman Plumbing Co., LLC of Warrenton; \$52,675.00 from GMP Plumbing of St. Louis; and \$58,425.00 from Heggemann Plumbing and Piping of Warrenton. Alderman Lambright moved and Alderman Rohr seconded

the motion to accept the bid of \$18,500.00 submitted by Ingram Plumbing Inc. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Mr. Schuchmann reported the generator at the City Hall has been wired but will not be operational until the gas supply line is installed.

## **New Business**

**Utility Refund Request** – Ms. Girondo presented a list of 12 utility account holders due refunds. Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman Lambright seconded the motion to authorize the refunds as presented. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

**Appointment of City Clerk and Treasurer** – Mayor Rowden recommended the appointment of Abbie Ogborn as city clerk and Stephanie Hampton as city treasurer. Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to approve the appointment. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0. An ordinance authorizing the appointments will be presented to the Board of Aldermen for approval at its February 13 meeting.

**Refund Request** – The Aldermen reviewed a request from utility account holder #203126001 for a trash service refund of \$41.25. Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to deny the refund request. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

**Police Car Purchases** – Alderman Lambright moved and Alderman Dixon seconded a motion to table a proposed police car purchase to the February 13 meeting. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

MOU Larry Terbrock – The Aldermen reviewed a Memorandum of Understanding provided by Larry Terbrock Construction, Inc. for the construction of sidewalks on lots as shown on the site plan for Falcons Crest and granting the firm until June 24, 2020, to complete the sidewalk construction and all backfill and final grading associated with the construction. Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Lambright seconded the motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

#### **Reports**

**Parks** – In the absence of the parks director, there was no report.

**Public Works** – The Aldermen reviewed a written report submitted by Public Works Superintendent Kyle Roettger.

**Building Official** – The Aldermen reviewed the building report.

**Police** – Chief Eskew reviewed highlights of his written report.

**City Hall/Treasurer/Economic Development** – Ms. Girondo reviewed highlights of her written report. She said the first draft of the updated city code will be available for review next week. She also said the comprehensive plan draft has been submitted and will be on the agenda for the February 3 workshop.

**City Administrator** – Mr. Schuchmann said he had nothing further to report.

## Review/Approval of Bills

Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Lambright moved to pay bills in the amount of \$328,134.68. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

#### Announcement

Pastor Purl said the Wright City Food Pantry is seeking a 1,500 to 2,000 square foot space to house the pantry. Mayor Rowden announced Austin Reynolds will receive his Eagle Scout rank during an upcoming ceremony.

#### **Final Questions**

None

## **Vote to Enter Executive Session**

Alderman Lambright moved and Alderman Dixon seconded the motion to exit open session and enter executive session 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 O'Connor Absent Alderman Rohr Yea Alderman Dixon Yea Alderman Lambright Yea The motion was approved 3-0. The Board entered executive session at 7:20 p.m.

Alderman Lambright moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to exit executive session and return to open session at 7:35 p.m. Roll was taken the following vote:

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

The motion was approved 3-0.

#### Adjournment

Alderman Lambright moved and Alderman Dixon seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Approved:		 	
Attested:			