

**City of Wright City  
Board of Aldermen Meeting  
Thursday, September 24, 2020  
City Hall, 636 Westwoods Road**

Mayor Rowden, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Auditorium of the City Hall, 636 Westwoods Road, Wright City, Missouri. The meeting was available to attend via Zoom.

**Roll Call**

City Clerk Abbie Ogborn called the roll with Alderman Kerry Lambright via Zoom, Alderman Ramiz Hakim, Alderman Michelle Heiliger, Alderman Nathan Rohr, and Mayor Rowden present. City Staff present were City Attorney Paul Rost, City Administrator James Schuchmann, City Clerk Abbie Ogborn, Police Chief Matt Eskew, Police Chaplain Joseph Purl and Public Works Superintendent Kyle Roettger. Others present were Donald Andrews, Mary Long, Rob Swanson, Amber McNeil, Kelly Bannister, Tina Perry, and Adam Rollins with the Warren County Record.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Rowden asked Kyle Roettger to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Minutes**

Alderman Hakim moved and Alderman Heiliger seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2020 Board of Aldermen meeting. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

**Financial Reports**

None

**Responses to Previous Comments/Concerns**

None

**Open meeting to Public Comments/Concerns**

None

**Public Hearing**

None

**Recommendations from Planning and Zoning**

None

**Old Business**

**Wright City Municipal Project Status Report** – Mr. Schuchmann spent a lot of time on Administration work the last week.

**Special Event Application** – Amber McNeil asked the Board for permission to have a Halloween party in the Falcons Crest Subdivision and approval to block off a portion of the street. Alderman Hakim moved

and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to approve the Special Event Application and make Amber McNeil the point of contact for additional information. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

### **New Business**

**Park Board members and Bi-Laws – Rob Swanson** – Rob Swanson asked for Mary Long to be moved to Ward-1 after moving out of Ward-2. Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman Heiliger seconded the motion to move Mary Long to Ward-1. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0. Rob Swanson wants to create and present an updated version of the Park Board Bi-Laws for approval at a future meeting.

**Small Batch Winery – Liquor License** – Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman Heiliger seconded the motion to approve the Liquor License Application. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

### **Ordinances/Resolutions**

None

### **Reports**

**Parks** – The Park’s department will be preparing food for Strassenbash and presented a list of items needed to be purchased. The Parks has asked for all profits to go towards Diekroeger Park Donations. Alderman Hakim moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to approve spending up to \$800.00 out of the Diekroeger Donation line item and for all proceeds made to go back to that fund. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

**Public Works** – Mr. Roettger asked the Board if decorations that were not in compliance with the City Ordinance could be removed from the Cemetery and a notice be posted on the City’s webpages. All items collected will be kept, labeled, and sat aside at City Hall to be picked up. Alderman Hakim moved and Alderman Heiliger seconded the motion to approve the cleaning of the Cemetery and to publish a post that all items need to be removed by October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

**Building Official** – Nothing to report.

**Police** – Chief Eskew said the equipment has been ordered through AQM and should arrive by the end of October.

**City Hall** – Ms. Ogborn stated the City-Wide Yard Sale was Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Treasurer** – Nothing to report.

**City Administrator** - Mr. Schuchmann provided the Board with updates from the Board of Adjustment Meeting that was held on Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020. The Board of Adjustment granted the Variance application for 150 Auburn Drive to place a fence to the edge of the right-of-way. The Board of Adjustment granted the Variance application for the existing retaining wall and denied the existing swimming pool at 328 Carolyn Circle. Discussion regarding pay periods will be continued at workshop.

### **Review/Approval of Bills**

Alderman Lambright moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$44,065.23. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

**Announcements**

Alderman Heiliger thanked all those who supported the Dave Heiliger Memorial Golf Tournament.

**Final questions**

Mary Long asked what Josh Cole’s job status was and for how long. Mayor Rowden stated he is the Acting Parks Director and could not discuss personal issues.

**Vote to enter Executive Session**

Alderman Lambright moved and Alderman Hakim seconded the motion to exit open session and enter executive session pursuant to Section 610.021 RSMo of the Missouri Open Meetings and Records Law and subject to a motion duly made and adopted, the Board of Aldermen may hold a closed meeting for the purpose of dealing with matters relating to one or more of the following: Legal actions, causes of action, litigation or privileged communications between the City’s representatives and its attorney (Section 610.021(1) RSMo); leasing, purchasing or sales of real estate (Section 610.021(2) RSMo); hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting employees (Section 610.021(3) RSMo); and/or any documents related to a negotiated contract until a contract is executed (Section 610.021(12) RSMo). Roll call was taken with the following vote:

Alderman Rohr	Yea	Alderman Hakim	Yea
Alderman Heiliger	Yea	Alderman Lambright	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0. The Board entered executive session at 7:41 p.m.

Alderman Heiliger moved and Alderman Rohr second the motion to exit executive session and return to open session at 8:59 p.m. Roll call was taken with the following vote:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Rohr	Yea
Alderman Lambright	Yea	Alderman Heiliger	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

**Adjournment**

Alderman Heiliger moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Attested: \_\_\_\_\_