

**City of Wright City
Board of Aldermen Meeting
Thursday, February 11, 2021
City Hall, 636 Westwoods Road**

Mayor Dan 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 Nathan Rohr, Alderman Michelle Heiliger, Alderman Ramiz Hakim, Alderman Kerry Lambright via Zoom, and Mayor Dan Rowden present. City Staff present were City Attorney Paul Rost, City Administrator James Schuchmann, City Clerk Abbie Ogborn, Chief Matt Eskew, Police Chaplain Joseph Purl, Treasurer Laura Hutchings, and Elizabeth Schubert. Others present were Donald Andrews, Cassandra Stead, J’Aime Vogt, Ben Vogt, Kristy Padgett, Destiny Padgett, and Adam Rollins with the Warren County Record.

Pledge of Allegiance

Chief Eskew led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman Heiliger seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2021, 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

Destiny Padgett, a Junior at Wright City High School and member of the National Honor Society, asked the Board to support a Teddy Bear 5k Run on April 17th at the Innsbrook Commons to fundraise for the Children Organ Transplant Organization.

Public Hearing

None

Recommendations from Planning and Zoning

None

Old Business

Wright City Municipal Project Status Report – Mr. Schuchmann said Public Works helped remove and replace a 10ft section of old sewer line to prepare for the plumber this week.

Generator PMA Bids – The Board was presented two, three-year quotes on Back-up Generator Preventive Maintenance, with two inspections per year (one major, 1 minor). Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman Hakim seconded the motion to award Central Power Systems in the amount of \$4,224.96. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Trash bills write off list – Alderman Hakim moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to waive assessed bills and penalties in column H to reflect the new account balance in column J on the list of accounts presented. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0. Alderman Hakim moved and Alderman Heiliger seconded the motion to limit the penalty fee to a one time, \$20.00 charge to any unpaid bill left outstanding on March 1, 2021. On voice vote the motion was approved 4-0. Alderman Hakim immediately moved to reconsider his previous motion. Alderman Hakim moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to apply the \$20.00 penalty fee to any unpaid bill on April 1, 2021 to give all residents a thirty-day extension. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Code update – City Attorney Paul Rost asked the Board for input regarding section 341.20 of the Municipal Code relating to ATV/UTV's on public streets. After discussion, the Board would like time to review the section and Mr. Rost will inform General Code to continue with the rest of the update.

Park Design Supplemental Agreement – Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman Heiliger seconded the motion to accept the new contingency plan with Bax Engineering. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Road repairs – E. 2nd St – Alderman Heiliger asked for an update regarding road repairs on E. 2nd St. Mr. Schuchmann said additional conversations need to be made and documentation needs to be presented.

New Business

Teresa & Frank Ellis – Teresa Ellis addressed concerns with tenant trash bills. Alderman Hakim asked Mrs. Ellis to give him time to review the accounts and would get back with her.

Penalty write-off request account 101184005 – Alderman Hakim moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to refund Cassandra Stead \$40.00 in penalty fees to her account. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Donation of sick time to another employee – Discussion was help regarding employees donating their sick time to another employee. No decision was made.

Penalty write-off request account 201109001 – Alderman Hakim moved and Alderman Heiliger seconded the motion to deny the request. After voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Road conditions at Spring Hill Circle – Alderman Lambright informed the Board of a complaint he received regarding a spring that leaks and turns to ice at 44 Spring Hill Circle. No decision was made.

City Fireworks – Lions Club – Alderman Rohr asked the Board if the City was considering having the Firework Display to reserve the date with the Lions Club. Mayor Rowden asked to put a temporary hold for June 26th, 2021 and for the City to contact the Firework supplier for date availability. Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman Lambright seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Ordinance/Resolutions

Resolution R02-21 – ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTACT BETWEEN CITY OF WRIGHT CITY AND BAX ENGINEERING COMPANY. Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman Lambright seconded the motion to approve Resolution R02-21. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Reports

Parks – Youth soccer has been cancelled and ball registrations are still being accepted. Easter Egg Parade will be Saturday, March 27th, 2021.

Public Works – Nothing to report. Mayor Rowden thanked public works for their great work within the department.

Building Official –Reports available for review.

Police – Chief Eskew reviewed highlights of his report. Officer Sparks has been doing well in the Detective Bureau.

City Hall – Ms. Ogborn said Business License renewals are steadily coming in and several calls have been received about commercial property.

Treasurer – Ms. Hutchings said she has been working on gathering documents for the Auditors who will be in City Hall the first week in March.

City Administrator – Board of Alderman approved Meridian Waste to use Ruge Park for the breakdown of recycle and trash totes once collected from the residents. Mr. Schuchmann informed the Board of stormwater run off issues on two pieces of property in the City.

Review/Approval of Bills

Alderman Lambright moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$131,632.47. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

Announcements

Food pantry is open to 1 family at a time in person. Reminder the food pantry is partnering with Wright Way Diner to host fish fry's from 4-7p.m. starting February 19th.

Final Questions

Cassandra Stead asked questions regarding City events and yard waste services. Mr. Andrews asked about dates on upcoming events.

Vote to Enter Executive Session

Alderman Heiliger moved and Alderman Hakim seconded the motion to enter executive session pursuant to Section 610.021 (1) RSMo; Privileged communications between the City's representatives and its attorney.

Alderman Lambright	Yea
Alderman Hakim	Yea

Alderman Heiliger	Yea
Alderman Rohr	Yea

Vote to Exit Executive Session

Alderman Hakim moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to exit executive session and return to regular session. A roll call vote was taken:

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

The motion was approved 4-0.

Adjournment

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

Approved: _____

Attested: _____

