

**City of Wright City  
Board of Aldermen Meeting  
Thursday, July 22, 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 Don Andrews, and Mayor Dan Rowden present. City Staff present were City Attorney Paul Rost, City Administrator James Schuchmann, City Clerk Abbie Ogborn, Acting Police Chief Tom Canavan, Public Works Superintendent Kyle Roettger, Treasurer Laura Hutchings, and Elizabeth Schubert. Other's present were Dale Schaper, Julia & Lanee Ramey, Alex & Nick Birkemeier, Tom & Monica Lindewirth, Martin Lopez, Karey Owens, Jim Sharp, Tim Kovath, Chris Dahl, Shane Walterman, Marsha & Kymberly Johnson, Lauren Logan, Jeff Trentmann with Sikich, LLP, Craig Brown, Rebecca Brown, Michael Cardenas-Salas, Adam Rollins with the Warren County Record, Larry Vollmer, Kathleen Kehoe, Becky Burge, David & Julia Parcel, Mary Groeper and Peggy Sherman.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Rowden led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Minutes**

Alderman Andrews moved and Alderman Heiliger seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2021, Board of Aldermen Meeting. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

**Financial Reports**

None

**Responses to Previous Comments/Concerns**

Julia Ramey read a letter on behalf of the Spring Lakes Subdivision regarding the tree line of the new 62-acre park. Mayor Rowden asked those present to attend workshop on August 2<sup>nd</sup> when the engineers will be present to present a new draft addressing the tree line and answer questions. Alderman Heiliger stated our goal was never to get rid of the trees and that is why the engineers will be here to answer direct questions.

**Open meeting to Public Comments/Concerns**

Peggy Sherman expressed her concern of yearly firework issues on Kerland Drive. Tom Lindewirth at 44 Spring Hill Circle expressed his concern about ice formation in front of his driveway. Alderman Rohr stated this has been an issue ever since the home was built.

**Public Hearing**

None

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

**Conditional Use Permit – The Gin Wagon Mobile Bar, LLC** – Alderman Hakim moved and Alderman Andrews accepted the recommendation and approved the Conditional Use Permit as presented. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

**Conditional Use Permit – Outdoor storage site** – Dale Schaper explained the presented site plan and answered questions with the help of Shane Walterman. They are proposing the site to be a gravel lot and expressed concern about the cost of paving the site. It was stated that the Board has previously worked with developers to give more time to meet the paving requirement. After discussion, Alderman Hakim moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to table the application until more information is provided showing fence screening, pavement, lighting, landscaping, water retention, and that the fire department also review. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

### **Old Business**

**Wright City Municipal Project Status Report** – Other responsibilities and tasks have taken priority. Planning to resume work as soon as possible.

**AJR Report** – The City Attorney stated he had reviewed the presented contract several times.

**Audit 2021** – Jeff Trentmann with Sikich, LLP, presented the Audit report for fiscal year ending December 31, 2021. The city received a clean opinion and Mr. Trentmann stated that all funds were accurately reported. Due to COVID-19 many accounts were in the positive.

### **New Business**

**Town & County Car Show** – Application was withdrawn. No action was taken.

**Lions Club picnic license** – Application was withdrawn. No action was taken.

**Tornado Sirens** – Warren County Emergency Management Director Jim Sharp reported the status of the three tornado sirens located in Wright City. After discussion on the need of the sirens, Alderman Hakim moved and Alderman Andrews seconded the motion to purchase three tornado sirens from Outdoor Warning Consulting, LLC in the amount of \$106,461.00 that is contingent upon someone speaking to Warren County Dispatch to coordinate with what can be purchased to be compatible with Dispatch. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

**National Night Out** – Alderman Hakim invited everyone to National Night Out on Tuesday, August 3rd at Ruge Park where the Police Department and Fire Department will play a softball game and all proceeds will be donated to BackStoppers.

**6-month financial** – Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman Heiliger seconded the motion to approve the 6-month financial. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

### **Ordinance/Resolutions**

**Resolution R06-21** – A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT WITH BARTLETT & WEST, INC., FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATED TO AN ACCESS JUSTIFICATION

REPORT AND NEPA CLEARANCE. Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman Hakim seconded the motion to approve Resolution R05-21. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

### **Reports**

**Parks** – Volunteers needed to help complete projects in the park. Provided update on events and sports leagues.

**Public Works** – The donated playground has been completely disassembled and placed in storage. Discussion was held on storm damage and when the cut off of the service would be.

**Building Official** – Reports were available in the packet. Code enforcement is being pursued.

**Police** – Acting Police Chief Canavan stated the second Dodge Durango has been delivered. Thanked Staci Goveia, the president and founder of Protecting K9 Heroes for the donation towards the K9 vehicle that helped purchase the kennel, equipment, and installation. A police car was totaled in the storm on July 9th. Police in the Park on July 23rd, 2021.

**City Hall** – Ms. Ogborn informed the Board on upcoming public hearings and events.

**Treasurer** – Ms. Hutchings will have a public hearing on the tax rate at the seconded meeting in August.

**City Administrator** – Mr. Schuchmann presented a status update on a list of projects. Contractors will begin working on the Westwoods Road project the week of August 2<sup>nd</sup>.

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

Alderman Andrews moved and Alderman Heiliger seconded the motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$74,676.96. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

### **Announcements**

Alderman Hakim stated the Church of the Nazarene received a grant from the U.S.D.A to feed family of four for one week. First Friday on First Street is August 6<sup>th</sup> with a Back-to-School theme.

Mayor Rowden informed the Board of Aldermen that Roland Neimann had resigned from the Board of Adjustment and made a recommendation to appoint alternate Michael Baryo to become a formal member of the Board. Alderman Hakim moved and Alderman Andrews seconded the motion to accept the recommendation. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

### **Final Questions**

Michael Cardenas Salas asked the Board to provide a map for the citizens showing the locations of the storm sirens. Mr. Salas questioned Alderman Hakim in his choice of the company to purchase the sirens from. Alderman Hakim stated the other bid received was \$20,000 more. Discussion was held on start date of the ballfields in the 62-acre park. Peggy Sherman addressed issues with the intersection at Highway F and Elm St.

Mary Groeper and Kathy Kehoe thanked the Board for appointing them to the Park Board.

**Vote to enter Executive Session**

Alderman Andrews moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to exit open session and enter executive session for the purpose of dealing with matters pursuant to Section 610.021(1) RSMO: Legal actions, causes of action, litigation or privileged communications between the City’s representatives and its attorney; Section 610.021(2) RSMo: leasing, purchasing or sales of real estate; Section 610.021(3) RSMo: hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting employees; and Section 610.021(12) RSMo: and/or any documents related to a negotiated contract until a contract is executed.

Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Heiliger	Yea
Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Rohr	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0. The Board entered executive session at 8:07 p.m.

Alderman Hakim moved and Alderman Andrews seconded the motion to exit executive session and return to open session at 10:12 p.m. Roll call was taken with the following vote:

Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Heiliger	Yea
Alderman Rohr	Yea	Alderman Hakim	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

**Adjournment**

Alderman Andrews moved and Alderman Heiliger seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:12 p.m. On voice vote, the motion was approved 4-0.

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

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