

**City of Wright City
Board of Aldermen Meeting
Thursday, October 10, 2019
City Hall, 636 Westwoods Road**

Board President Thomas Dixon called the meeting to order in the absence of Mayor Dan Rowden 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 Alderman Nathan Rohr, Alderman John O'Connor and Alderman Dixon present. Mayor Rowden and Alderman Kerry Lambright were absent. City staff present were City Clerk/Treasurer Karen Girondo, City Administrator James Schuchmann, Police Chief Matthew Eskew, City Attorney Paul Rost, Abbie Ogborn and Officer James Hepperman. Others present were Bob Fitzgerald, Jim Buehrig, Jade Meyer, Kenny McCune, Kim Purl, Jeannette Woehrle, Ed Griesedeck and Adam Rollins of the Warren County Record.

Pledge of Allegiance

Alderman Dixon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes and Financial Reports

Alderman O'Connor moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2019, Board of Aldermen meeting. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0. Alderman Dixon said the September financial reports are approved as submitted.

Responses to Previous Comments/Concerns

None

Open Meeting to Public Comments/Concerns

Ms. Meyer said her truck was recently ordered towed by the police department because it was not licensed. She said when the truck was returned from the tow lot, it was damaged, and during the towing, her yard was also damaged by the tow truck. She suggested individuals should be given a warning by the police department before a citation is issued and a vehicle is towed.

Public Hearing

None

Recommendations from Planning and Zoning Commission

None

Old Business

Wright City Municipal Project Status Report – Mr. Schuchmann gave an update on the renovation project.

New Business

WCW3 MOU – Alderman Dixon said consideration of the Memorandum of Understanding will be taken up by the Aldermen elsewhere on the Board’s agenda.

Chief’s Request to Change Cell Service Provider – Chief Eskew asked the Aldermen to consider changing the carrier for the Department’s cell service from AT&T to Verizon for cost and coverage reasons. Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman O’Connor seconded the motion to switch cell service for the Police Department from AT&T to Verizon. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Payment Agreement Request Account #300115003 – Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman O’Connor seconded the motion to table consideration of a payment agreement request submitted by utility account holder #300115003. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Payment Agreement Request Account #100252004 – Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman O’Connor seconded the motion to approve a payment agreement submitted by utility account holder #100252004. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Write-Off Request Account #400195003 – Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman O’Connor seconded the motion to write off \$17.67 from 2011 due on utility account holder #400195003. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

September UB Adjustment Report – Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman O’Connor seconded the motion to approve the utility adjustment report for September. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Ordinance/Resolutions

Resolution #R12-19 – A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH WCW3, LLC, RELATING TO THE USE OF THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS 301 NORTH LOCUST STREET Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman O’Connor seconded the motion to approve Resolution #R12-19. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Bill #21-19 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING TEXT AMENDMENTS TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WRIGHT CITY, MISSOURI, PERTAINING TO INDUSTRIAL HEMP CULTIVATION Ms. Girondo read the Bill by title. Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman O’Connor seconded the motion to read Bill #21-19 a second time. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0. Ms. Girondo read the Bill a second time. Alderman Rohr moved and Alderman O’Connor seconded the motion for final reading and passage of Bill #21-19. Roll was taken with the following vote:

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

The motion was approved 3-0. The Bill having the majority vote of the members present was adopted. Said Bill was thereupon presented to the Mayor and President of the Board of Aldermen for their signature and approval and the duly signed becomes Ordinance #977 of the City of Wright City.

Reports

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

Public Works – Mr. Schuchmann reported employees have repaired the area around LouisianaQ and removed concrete from areas at the former city hall building.

Police – Chief Eskew reviewed highlights of calls, incidents and arrests handled by the Department. He said Off. Nick Bone began employment with the Department October 10. He reported there were no issues with the recent band festival, Faith Fest or the Fall Festival. Chief Eskew said Off. Daniel Jarvis has satisfactorily completed his probationary period. Alderman Dixon moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to increase Off. Jarvis’ hourly pay to \$20.00 per hour. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

City Hall/Treasurer/Economic Development – Ms. Gironde reviewed highlights of her written report. She said she continues work on the proposed 2020 budget and is also updating the City’s policies and procedures manual.

City Administrator – Mr. Schuchmann reported the contractor is waiting on documents from the bonding company before it begins work on the East First Street South project. He said a meeting with the engineers on the park project is planned for October 24. He said he will attend right-of-way training sponsored by MoDOT October 16 and 17. Ms. Ogborn and Stephanie Hampton will attend computer training sponsored by Gworks Nov. 4 and 5 in Farmington and Denise Queen will attend training Nov. 6 and 7 in St. Roberts.

Review/Approval of Bills

Alderman O’Connor moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$43,406.35. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Announcement

Ms. Purl said she has been asked to assist with setting up warming centers in the county for persons who need a safe place to stay during extremely cold weather.

Final Questions

None

Adjournment

Alderman O’Connor moved and Alderman Rohr seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Approved: _____

Attested: _____