

**City of Wright City
Board of Aldermen Meeting
Thursday, March 27, 2025
City Hall, 636 Westwoods Road**

Mayor, Michelle Heiliger 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 Kim Arbuthnot, Alderman Karey Owens, Alderman Ramiz Hakim, Alderman Don Andrews, and Mayor Michelle Heiliger present. City Staff present were City Attorney Paul Rost, City Clerk Abbie Ogborn, Police Chief Tom Canavan, Lieutenant Aaron Sutton, Director of Public Works Kyle Roettger, Parks Director Stuart Bruning, and Building Inspector Lance Bauer. Others present were Jack Underwood with the Warren County Record, Billy Ivie, Kim Fast, Kim Purl, Martin Ghafoori, Larry Zuhone, Cheryl and Doc Doolittle, Elizabeth and Donnie Reed, John Woehrle, Rick and Sharon Wischmeyer, Kim Purl, Melissa McCann, Michael and Brittany Rose, and Nanci Stietzel.

Pledge of Allegiance

Alderman Arbuthnot led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Alderman Andrews moved to amend the agenda as presented. Alderman Owens seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Approval of Minutes

Alderman Arbuthnot moved to approve minutes from the January 24th, February 27th and March 13th Board meetings. Alderman Owens seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Financial Reports

Mayor Heiliger informed the Board that the 2024 Budget Document was sent out for their review. Two corrections needed to be made to the document: move \$7,500 in general revenue to the parks revenue from the sale of two tractors and make a correction to the December 2024 tax bill distribution.

Public Comments

Martin Ghafoori with Stifel presented information relating to the city investing the 2024 Bond Proceeds. Mr. Ghafoori will provide city staff with a draw down schedule and investment amounts to be shared with the Board.

Public Hearing

None.

Recommendations from Planning and Zoning

Conditional Use Permit for 425 West Service Road North – Reed’s Rockets Temporary Fireworks Stand – Alderman Owens moved to accept the recommendation from Planning and Zoning and grant the Conditional Use Permit application as presented. Alderman Andrews seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Conditional Use Permit 0.77 acres on Highway H – Scorpion Concepts, LLC Contractor’s Office – Alderman Hakim moved to accept the recommendation from Planning and Zoning and grant the Conditional Use Permit application as presented contingent upon site plan approval from the city, Wright City Fire, and BFA for stormwater. Alderman Owens seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Old Business

Roelker Road Update – Discussion on this item was tabled to the Public Works Department report.

New Business

Special Permit Application – Jammer Joint Tattoo – Applicant, Michael Rose, is looking to host an anniversary celebration for his business at Diekroeger Park on August 9th, 2025. Alderman Owens moved to approve the Special Event Permit application as presented contingent upon receipt of the required Certificate of Insurance and payment of park rental fees. Alderman Arbuthnot seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Ruge Ballfield Dirt Bids – The Parks department is looking to add infield dirt to Field 1 in Ruge Park that is mixed with products to drain water easier. Alderman Hakim moved to accept the bid from SiteOne in the amount of \$6,700.00. Alderman Owens seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea
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Alderman Andrews Yea Alderman Arbuthnot Yea
The motion was approved 4-0.

Purchase Concrete Road Saw – The Public Works department would like to purchase a new Husquarvana 24” FS524 Self-Propelled Concrete Saw and repair and sell the current one. Alderman Hakim moved to accept the bid from NuWay in the amount of \$9,395.00. Alderman Andrews seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim Yea Alderman Owens Yea
Alderman Andrews Yea Alderman Arbuthnot Yea
The motion was approved 4-0.

Mini Excavator Lease – The Public Works department was allocated funds in their 2025 budget to lease a mini excavator. Mr. Roettger informed the Board that they will lease a John Deere 60P Mini Excavator from Sydenstricker Nobbe for 4 years that has a 2-year full warranty on the entire machine. At the end of the lease, the city will have the opportunity to purchase the equipment outright or enter a new lease with a newer machine. Attachments are available that the department may utilize.

Workman’s Compensation Renewal Provider - The city received the workman's compensation renewal quote earlier in the week in the amount of \$125,538.00, nearly double than 2024. Staff contacted Scott Agency, Inc who is the policy holder for all other city insurances, who was able to provide a quote at the same cost. Alderman Hakim moved to accept the quote from Scott Agency, Inc and to move the workman’s comp policy to their company. Alderman Owens seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Hakim Yea Alderman Owens Yea
Alderman Andrews Yea Alderman Arbuthnot Yea
The motion was approved 4-0.

Ordinances/Resolutions

Bill #09-25- AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 525 RELATING TO SURETY FOR CONSTRUCTION TRAFFIC USING CITY STREETS. Ms. Ogborn read the Bill by title. Alderman Owens moved to read Bill #09-25 a second time. Alderman Hakim seconded it and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Andrews Yea Alderman Hakim Yea
Alderman Arbuthnot Yea Alderman Owens Yea

Ms. Ogborn read Bill #09-25 a second time by title. Alderman Owens moved for final passage. Alderman Andrews seconded the motion and roll call was taken with the following vote:

Alderman Andrews Yea Alderman Hakim Yea
Alderman Arbuthnot Yea Alderman Owens Yea

The motion was approved 4-0. Said Bill was thereupon presented to the Mayor and President of the Board of Aldermen for their signature and approval and duly signed becomes Ordinance #1081 of the City of Wright City, Missouri.

Bill #10-25 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 240.040 OF THE WRIGHT CITY MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO FEES AND REGULATIONS IN CITY PARKS. Ms.

Ogborn read the Bill by title. Alderman Owens moved to read Bill #10-25 a second time. Alderman Hakim seconded it and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Hakim	Yea
Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea

Ms. Ogborn read Bill #10-25 a second time by title. Alderman Hakim moved for final passage. Alderman Arbuthnot seconded the motion and roll call was taken with the following vote:

Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Hakim	Yea
Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0. Said Bill was thereupon presented to the Mayor and President of the Board of Aldermen for their signature and approval and duly signed becomes Ordinance #1082 of the City of Wright City, Missouri

Bill #11-25 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SCHEDULE III, TABLE III-A OF TITLE III OF THE WRIGHT CITY MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO STOP INTERSECTIONS AND AUTHORIZING INSTALLATION OF STOP SIGNS ON ROELKER ROAD AT HORSESHOE COURT AND AT THE EXITS FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL ON ROELKER ROAD. Ms.

Ogborn read the Bill by title. Alderman Andrews moved to read Bill #11-25 a second time. Alderman Owens seconded it and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Hakim	Yea
Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea

Ms. Ogborn read Bill a second time by title. Alderman Owens moved for final passage. Alderman Andrews seconded the motion and roll call was taken with the following vote:

Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Hakim	Yea
Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0. Said Bill was thereupon presented to the Mayor and President of the Board of Aldermen for their signature and approval and duly signed becomes Ordinance #1083 of the City of Wright City, Missouri

Reports

Parks – The first annual wildlife exhibit was held at Liberty Christian Academy with over 250 people attending. 177 kids are signed up for baseball and softball. Easter Egg hunt is April 26th.

Public Works – The department is continuing to address Roelker Road and will be going out for bid to patch rock patches along the roadway next week. Once concept plans are submitted to the city for the widening and overlay of Roelker Road and are approved by the Board, the engineered construction plans will be drafted and advertised for bid.

Building Official – There has been no movement on the previously approved strip mall at Roelker Road and Veterans Memorial Parkway. Autozone has inquired about building permits. A mobile home at West 2nd Street and Roelker Road is in the process of changing ownership and staff is working with the sellers agent on a punch list of items the new buyer would be responsible to complete.

Police – Three new Police Officers are completing field training. Officer Parkinson has been released to full duty allowing the department to be fully staffed. The annual Flock Camera report was provided to the Board.

City Hall – There were no updates to provide.

Treasurer – There no updates to provide.

Review/Approval of Bills

Alderman Andrews moved to pay the bills in the amount of \$71,168.45. Alderman Hakim seconded the motion and the voice vote was as follows:

Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Hakim	Yea
Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Announcements

Pastor Kim Purl provided an update on the food panty and the number of families it continues to serve as well as an update on the Fish Fry’s. Fish Fry’s begin on March 7th. DUB-C explorers will host a bingo night on April 12th to raise money. April 3rd - meet the candidate night, April 5th - clean stream, April 8th - municipal election. April 11th – Sausage Dinner at UCC.

Final Questions

Jack Underwood asked if the Surety Ordinance was created due to Roelker Road and asked who the companies were that provided workman’s comp quotes.

Vote to Enter Closed Session

Alderman Andrews moved to enter closed session at 8:18 p.m. Alderman Owens seconded it and roll call was taken with the following vote:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Vote to Exit Closed Session

Alderman Andrews moved to leave closed session at 9:32 p.m. Alderman Owens seconded it and roll call was taken with the following vote:

Alderman Hakim	Yea	Alderman Arbuthnot	Yea
Alderman Andrews	Yea	Alderman Owens	Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Adjournment

Alderman Owens moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:32 p.m. Alderman Arbuthnot seconded it and roll call was taken with the following vote:

Alderman Owens Yea

Alderman Andrews Yea

Alderman Arbuthnot Yea

Alderman Hakim Yea

The motion was approved 4-0.

Approved: _____

Date: _____

Attested: _____