



# CITY OF WILDER, KENTUCKY

# **January 5, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Wilder City Council was held on Monday, January 5, 2015 at the Wilder City Building, 520 Licking Pike, Wilder, Kentucky 41071.

Lords Prayer

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

### Call to Order:

Mayor Turner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

# **Attorney Verst:**

Performed the ceremonial swearing in of council.

#### **Roll Call:**

Roll call was answered by Councilman Robert Blankenship, Councilman Herald, Councilwoman Monica Gearding, Councilman Robert Honaker, Councilman Bradley Jones and Councilwoman Valerie Jones.

# **Approval of Minutes:**

Upon motion of Councilman Blankenship seconded by Councilman Herald to approve the Minutes of December 1, 2014 regular Meeting. Mayor Turner called for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.

Incoming and outgoing correspondence copied to Council prior to the meeting.

# **Reports Presented:**

Police Department Activity Report December 2014

### **Attorney's Report:**

Attorney Verst presented Ordinance No. 14-1201: Amending Chapter 131 of the Wilder Municipal Code regarding hunting and firearms in the City of Wilder. [Second Reading]

David Luthie, resident of St. Johns Lane, asked council to consider putting a minimum land requirement that will permit anyone who meets this requirement able to hunt on their property.

Discussion ensued regarding other city regulations on hunting and the residents who attended previous meetings expressing their concerns about their safety.

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Council expressed that the city is much more urban now and believe that there will be safety concerns if firearms/bows are permitted to be used in the city.

Upon motion of Councilman Herald seconded by Councilman Blankenship to approve Ordinance No. 14-1201: Amending Chapter 131 of the Wilder Municipal Code regarding hunting and firearms in the City of Wilder. Mayor Turner called for a vote.

Councilman Blankenship – Yea
Councilwoman Gearding – Yea
Councilman Jones – Nay

Councilman Herald – Yea
Councilman Honaker – Yea
Councilwoman Jones - Yea

#### Motion carried.

Attorney Verst presented Ordinance No.15-0101: An Ordinance Closing a Certain Public Way in the City of Wilder.

Mr. Vance informed council of the purpose for closing a certain 50 foot right of way parcel located on Vine Street.

Upon motion of Councilman Blankenship seconded by Councilman Jones to approve Ordinance No.15-0101: An Ordinance Closing a Certain Public Way in the City of Wilder. Mayor Turner called for a vote.

Councilman Blankenship – Yea

Councilwoman Gearding – Yea

Councilman Honaker – Yea

Councilman Jones – Yea

Councilwoman Jones - Yea

### Motion carried unanimously.

### **Attorney Verst:**

Informed council that he gave Mr. Vance and Chief Williams a copy of a recent Kentucky Supreme Court decision that he disagrees with in reference to a citizen's complaint about a police officer then the "Police Officers Bill of Rights kicks in which allows them a public hearing etc. This did not apply to inter-departmental issues, however the new ruling applies to all cases. The legislature may take some action to clarify this.

### **Citizen Comments:**

### **Mayor's Comments:**

- Congratulated council on the election.
- Advised that the next council meeting will be January 19, 2015 at &7:00 p.m..

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# **City Administrator's Comments:**

- Informed council that the Licking Pike sewer project is progressing with a few complications that they are currently addressing.
- The water line @ Beacon Drive is moving forward.
- The next phase of the bike trail has started and encouraged council to go and see it.

### **Council Comments:**

# **Councilwoman Gearding:**

• Stated she was looking forward to the New Year.

#### **Councilman Honaker:**

• No comment.

### **Councilman Blankenship:**

- Welcomed Councilwoman Jones.
- Hoping to have a presentation at the mid-month meeting on the new web site.

#### **Councilman Jones:**

• Welcomed Councilwoman Jones.

#### **Councilwoman Jones:**

• Expressed she was looking forward to working with council and representing the citizens.

### **Councilman Herald:**

• Congratulated the returning council on the election and welcomed Councilwoman Jones.

### **City Clerk:**

No comment.

#### **Police Chief Comments:**

• Announced that the police department has a twitter page and believes that this will be a good way to get information to residents.

#### **Fire Chief Comments:**

- Thanked Councilman Blankenship for his help on the fire truck with Santa Clause going throughout the city.
- Welcomed council and congratulations to Councilwoman Jones.

# **Adjournment:**

Upon motion of Councilwoman Jones seconded by Councilman Blankenship to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Turner called for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.

	Stanley Turner – Mayor
ATTEST:	
Tracy Herald – City Clerk/Treasurer	