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CITY COUNCIL MEETING

August 16, 2010

The regular meeting of the Wilder City Council was held on Monday, August 16, 2010 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.

Roll Call:

Roll call was answered by Councilman Blankenship, Councilman Dinn, Councilwoman Gearding, Councilman Herald, Councilman Martin and Councilwoman Wilson.

Approval of Minutes:

Upon motion of Councilman Blankenship, seconded by Councilman Dinn, to approve the Minutes of June 21, 2010, Regular Meeting. Mayor Turner called for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Reports Presented:

Maintenance Department	Activity Report for June and July
Police Department	Activity Report for June and July
Fire Department	Activity & Training for June and July
Financial Reports	General Fund Ending 6/30/2010 & 7/31/10 Frederick's Landing ending 6/30/2010 & 7/31/10

Upon motion of Councilman Martin, seconded by, Councilman Herald to Approve financial reports and authorize payment of bills for General Fund Ending 06/30/10 & 7/31/10 and Fredericks Landing ending 06/30/10 & 7/31/10. Mayor Turner called for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.

Attorney's Report:

Attorney Verst was not present at the meeting.

Mayor Turner presented Resolution No. 10-0801: A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Interlocal Agreement establishing the Licking River Greenway and Trails Coalition.

Councilman Herald questioned whether the city would give up any control by passing the resolution. Mr. Vance stated that it would not.

Upon the motion of Councilman Blankenship, seconded by, Councilman Martin to approve Resolution No. 10-0801 authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Interlocal Agreement establishing the Licking River Greenway and Trails Coalition. Mayor Turner called for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizen's Comments:

Mr. & Mrs. Benke of Feldman Lane presented a petition with 48 signatures regarding the problem of skunks in the Sentinel & Wesley subdivisions.

Mayor Turner advised that the city administrator has spoken with the game warden and they stated that only someone from the state or someone licensed are permitted to trap the animals.

Councilman Martin asked what the city attorney's recommendation was. Mayor Turner stated that the city attorney advised that no funds should be used for trapping of animals on private properties.

Councilman Martin questioned how long this has been an issue.

Mrs. Benke state this has been a problem for several months.

Councilman Blankenship stated he sympathizes with them and would like to come up with a resolution to the problem.

Councilwoman Wilson asked Mr. & Mrs. Benke how long they have lived there and when did the problem first occur.

They stated they have lived there for 15 years and this is the first issue with the skunks.

Discussion ensued regarding the possible cost of skunk removal.

Councilwoman Gearding asked if we could have them go to other areas of city to see if it's a problem throughout the city.

Councilman Dinn stated that the city has never budgeted for wildlife control so the city is going to have to consider this so he asked the residents to bear with them.

Mr. Vance will contact Out of Control Wildlife and get an estimate.

Mayor Turner asked if there were any other residents who would like to speak.

Robert Arnold, who resides in Wesley subdivision where street repairs are currently underway, stated that the construction company has broke gas lines, sprinkler systems and electric fences. He asked if the city has the oversight of the repairs of these items.

Mr. Vance advised that the city does oversee this and requires them to fix all of these items prior to final payment.

Mr. Arnold questioned what happens if the repairs do not meet the home owner's satisfaction.

Mr. Vance stated that they should contact him and he will make sure it's all done properly.

Mayor's Comments:

Congratulated Council on filing and no opposition for the upcoming 2010 election.

The next Council Meeting will be September 7, 2010.

Sewer project on St. Johns Lane has been completed.

Annual Flag Raising Ceremony will be September 12, 2010 @ 2:00 p.m.

Annual Bluegrass Festival will be September 25, 2010. This will be dedicated to Kentucky Joe who passed away.

A motion is needed to declare the 2002 & 2004 Crown Victoria Cruisers as surplus property to be put up for bid.

Upon motion of Councilman Herald, seconded by, Councilwoman Wilson to declare the 2002 & 2004 Crown Victoria Cruisers as surplus property to be put up for bid. Mayor Turner called for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.

Halloween will be celebrated on Sunday, October 31, 2010 from 5 to 7 p.m.

Mayor Turner announced the fall citywide yard sale will be October 8th, 9th and 10th.

Mayor Turner received a letter from Councilman Dinn regarding the range qualification for the police department.

Councilman Dinn thanked Chief Rouse for inviting him and his son to attend the range qualifications. He expressed his respect for the Chief and the police force. It was an extraordinary experience and they demonstrated extraordinary professionalism.

Mayor Turner advised that it is time to set the property tax rate for 2010. He would recommend that they keep the same rate as 2009.

City Administrator Comments:

Mr. Vance informed council that the street repairs are almost all completed.

He advised that the city did not receive the Land and Water Conservation Grant.

He has received 3 or 4 sewer finance agreements.

Mr. Vance stated that the next newsletter will be going out at the end of September.

Council Comments:

Councilwoman Gearding – No comment.

Councilman Martin- Thanked Mr. Arnold for attending the meeting and letting the city know about the issue.

Councilman Martin echoed Councilman Dinn's comments on the police department and also has a great fire department as well.

Councilman Blankenship – Expressed his concern about the slippage on Johns Hill Road and would like to see if they would consider a weight limit.

Mr. Vance advised that they recently repaired it however; it has slipped again since then.

Councilman Blankenship would like the ditches on Johns Hill Road near the overpass cleaned up.

Mr. Vance will contact Sgt. Cox at the jail to see if they could send a crew to take care of this.

Councilman Dinn – Expressed that the skunk issue may set a precedent but feels the issue needs to be addressed and thinks there may be a possibility to receive state funds to help with this issue.

He again thanked Chief Rouse.

Councilwoman Wilson – She echoed Councilman Dinn's sentiments on the police department.

Councilman Herald – No Comment.

City Clerk:

No Comment.

Police Department:

Chief Rouse thanked Councilman Dinn for participating in this year's range qualifications.

Fire Chief Comments:

Chief Profitt announced that the fire department has the new rescue boat, which was purchased from a grant, and will be bringing it to the next council meeting for them to see it. He invited council to also take a ride in it. The boat cost \$200,000 and the fire department only has \$20,000 invested in it.

Maintenance Department:

Not in attendance.

Adjournment:

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m. The next meeting of the Wilder City Council will be held on September 7, 2010.

ATTEST:

Stanley Turner – Mayor

Tracy Gibson – City Clerk