# CITY OF WILDER, KENTUCKY

## October 21, 2019

The regular meeting of the Wilder City Council was held on Monday, October 21, 2019 at the Wilder City Building, 520 Licking Pike, Wilder, Kentucky 41071.

Lords Prayer

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

### Call to Order:

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

### **Roll Call:**

Roll call was answered by Councilwoman Sandy Decker, Councilwoman Kelly Meiser, Councilman Robert Blankenship, Councilman Jim Profit, Councilwoman Valerie Jones and Councilman Jerry Sebastian.

# **Approval of Minutes:**

Upon motion of Councilman Sebastian, seconded by Councilman Blankenship to approve the Minutes of October 7, 2019 Regular Meeting. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Mayor Arnold's Introductory Comments:**

• Groundbreaking went very well. Job well done. Thanked the staff for all of their hard work.

## **Introduction of Guests/Public Comments:**

# Attorney's Report:

Attorney Verst presented Ordinance No. 19-1001: An Ordinance of the City of Wilder, Campbell County, Kentucky, amending Chapter 115 section 115.04(B)(2) of the Wilder Municipal Code imposing a minimum on the city occupational license fee regulations and taxes on those engaged in franchises, trades, occupational, professions and other businesses. (Second Reading)

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Upon motion of Councilman Profitt, seconded by Councilman Blankenship to accept Ordinance No. 19-1001; An Ordinance of the City of Wilder, Campbell County, Kentucky, amending Chapter 115 section 115.04(B)(2) of the Wilder Municipal Code imposing a minimum on the city occupational license fee regulations and taxes on those engaged in franchises, trades, occupational, professions and other businesses. (Second Reading) Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried.

# City Administrator's Report:

- Bentwood Hills Update The Plug Shaft Wall is complete. Mills Fencing will be installing a fence along the sidewalk.
- Three Mile Road closure went okay.
- Kentucky Highway Department will be starting on John's Hill this week.
- Licking Pike Mudslide Area by Bobby Mackey's Kentucky Highway Department is looking for a more permanent solution.
- City Administrator Vance met with KYTC regarding a lease for the portion of the ballfield; between Kentucky 9 and the property the City owns. A lease will be a quicker process. There is no dollar figure. City Administrator Vance would like to have a motion to approve the lease. The lease is for .705 acre.
  - o Discussion ensued regarding the lease.

Upon motion of Councilman Blankenship, seconded by Councilman Sebastian to approve the lease and authorize Mayor Arnold to sign. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried.

 City Administrator Vance is meeting with Assured Partners regarding our Health Insurance.

## **Department Reports:**

## **Treasurer Report:**

- Building Crafts and Mellow Mushroom gave a donation for the groundbreaking.
- Thanked everyone for all of their help with the groundbreaking.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Jones, seconded by Councilwoman Meiser to approve the financial reports and authorize payment of the bills for General Fund ending September 30, 2019. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried.

### **Police Chief Comments:**

- Thanked Sheila and Doug Bray for their donation to the police department. The funds will be dedicated to first responder's safety.
- Sergeant Comte bought a television for an elderly resident.

## **Fire Chief Comments:**

- Not in attendance.
- Lieutenant Lange gave the report for the fire department.
- November 22, 2019 Turkey Raffle.
- The fire department will be winterizing fire hydrants.
- City Administrator Vance asked if the fire department still provided batteries for the smoke detectors. Lieutenant Lang stated they do not receive the free batteries from the Red Cross so they do not do the smoke detectors blitz any longer.
  - City Administrator Vance stated he would like the fire department to look into continuing the smoke detectors blitz.

# Park and Rec Report:

• No comment.

## Maintenance Report:

No comment.

### **Council Comments:**

### Councilwoman Jones:

- Asked for an update on the Firehouse.
  - City Administrator Vance stated that Codell would probably run out of work before the final GMP is approved. The final GMP should be presented to council at the next meeting. The footers, foundation walls and pads for the columns have all been poured.

## Councilwoman Decker:

• Updated council on the lights on the City of Wilder signs and the flags on the poles throughout the city. More information to come.

## Councilwoman Meiser:

• Thanked everyone for the Park Groundbreaking; her kids had a great time.

## Councilman Blankenship:

Asked council to send any feedback to him regarding the hall rental agreement.

## Councilman Profitt:

• Thanked Chief Martin and the police officers for doing vacation checks.

### Councilman Sebastian:

No comment.

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# **Mayor Arnold Concluding Comments:**

- Thanked Councilman Blankenship for his work on the hall rental agreement.
- Thanked Councilwoman Decker for her work on the flags and the lights.
- Monday, November 4, 2019 Grand re-opening for the Comfort Inn.
- St. Elizabeth Employee Assistance Program Mayor Arnold would like to make it Mandatory that every employee attend a one hour session during their birthday month.
- Drug Testing Mayor Arnold would like feedback from council regarding random drug testing for employees.
- City Administrator Vance is meeting with Architectural Firms to discuss the City Center Development Plan.

# Adjournment:

Upon motion of Councilwoman Jones, seconded by Councilwoman Decker to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m. The next meeting of the Wilder City Council will be held on November 4 2019.

Robert Arnold - Mayor

ATTEST:

Juanita Schultz - City Clerk