

CITY OF WILDER, KENTUCKY

January 6, 2020

The regular meeting of the Wilder City Council was held on Monday, January 6, 2020 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, Councilwoman Valerie Jones, Councilman Jim Profitt and Councilman Jerry Sebastian.

Approval of Minutes:

Upon motion of Councilman Sebastian, seconded by Councilman Blankenship to approve the Minutes of December 2, 2019 Regular Meeting. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.

Introduction of Guests/Public Comments:

Mayor's Report:

- Welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- Happy New Year and welcome back.
- We met with the new owners of the steel plant this morning. It is a company called Tenaris. The meeting went very well.
- Our next meeting – January 20th – City Administrator, Terry Vance, will be giving a presentation on the concepts that have been developed for the Town Center. Invite your neighbors.
- January 29, 2020 – There will be a Wilder Business Meeting from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm. The Mayor asked Council to attend if at all possible.
- There are two resolutions on the agenda tonight.

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Attorney's Report:

- Not in attendance.

Mayor Arnold presented Resolution No. 20-0101: **A Resolution promoting Jeff Lang to the position of Captain/Paramedic for the Wilder Fire Department.**

Chief Neyman stated he was happy to be able to keep Jeff Lang.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Jones, seconded by Councilman Profitt to accept Resolution No. 20-0101; A Resolution promoting Jeff Lang to the position of Captain/Paramedic for the Wilder Fire Department. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried.

Jeff Lang was sworn in by Mayor Arnold.

Mayor Arnold presented Resolution No. 20-0102: **A Resolution appointing Ryan Miller to the position of full time patrolman for the Wilder Police Department.**

Chief Martin stated Ryan comes from Norfolk, Virginia. Ryan Miller is glad to be home and the City is glad to have him.

Upon motion of Councilman Blankenship, seconded by Councilwoman Decker to accept Resolution No. 20-0102; A Resolution appointing Ryan Miller to the position of full time patrolman for the Wilder Police Department. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried.

Ryan Miller was sworn in by Mayor Arnold.

Officer Miller introduced his family.

Captain/Paramedic Lang introduced his family.

City Administrator's Report:

- Update council – City Administrator Vance met with the Sanitation and Water Departments for about two months regarding the work on Andrews Way. This work will take about a year overlapping each other. There is a 36 inch water main going to be run under the Licking River at the end of Andrews Way. City Administrator Vance will keep you updated as work progresses.
 - Discussion ensued regarding the work on Andrews Way.
- Town Center – City Administrator Vance is working with Elevar Design Group. They are located in Cincinnati, Ohio. A lot of exciting ideas. There will be two presentations at the next council meeting; one is an aggressive development plan and the other not so aggressive development plan.

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- Duke Energy – There was an issue with the gas line work on Three Mile Road on Saturday. They had a land slide. The Fire Department stood by for two and a half hours. They had to blow off the gas. They also need to do additional gas line work on Tuesday, January 7, 2020; the gas and electric will be off for Three Mile Residents for up to twelve hours. The work will be from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- Firehouse update – They are going to start construction on the concession stand building. They are also going to pour the slab on the firehouse and the bay floors. The steel is about ready to be ordered.
- Sunrock Farm closed.

Department Reports:

Treasurer Report:

- Not in attendance.

Upon motion of Councilman Blankenship, seconded by Councilman Sebastian to approve the financial reports and authorize payment of the bills for General Fund ending November 30, 2019. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried.

Police Chief Comments:

- The Police Department recently had a lot of equipment failure. They replaced all new tazers and body cams with the forfeiture money they collected.

Fire Chief Comments:

- Congratulated Ryan Miller and Jeff Lang.

Park and Rec Report:

- City Administrator Vance will be applying for the Reds Community Fund Grant by the end of January for the baseball/softball field.

Maintenance Report:

- No comment.

Council Comments:

Councilwoman Jones:

- Congratulated Captain/Paramedic Lang on his promotion and Officer Miller on his new position.
- Thanked Fire Chief Neyman for the invitation to ride along with Santa on the firetruck.

Councilwoman Decker:

- Happy New Year.
- Congratulated Captain/Paramedic Lang on his promotion and Officer Miller on his new position.

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Councilwoman Meiser:

- Councilwoman Meiser asked if there was anything the city can do regarding the flooding on Three Mile Road
 - City Administrator Vance stated they are working with the Sanitation Department regarding the flooding. He will talk to Sean Blake at the Sanitation Department to see where they are on the study regarding the flooding on Three Mile Road.
 - Mayor Arnold stated he will be meeting with Matt Elberfeld, the County Administrator, and he will mention to him the issues on Three Mile Road.

Councilman Blankenship:

- Congratulated Captain/Paramedic Lang to his new position and Officer Miller to the department.
- Councilman Blankenship questioned if there will be any work done on the sidewalks like in the past.
 - City Administrator Vance stated they have been in contact with the company and more information will follow at another council meeting regarding additional work on some sidewalks.
- Councilman Blankenship asked if anything could be done regarding the semis going up and down John's Hill Road and going over the double yellow line. He asked if there is any way to make the lane wider.
 - City Administrator Vance stated he will speak to the Highway Department.

Councilman Profitt:

- Congratulated Captain/Paramedic Lang and Officer Miller on their new positions.

Councilman Sebastian:

- Congratulated Officer Miller and Captain/Paramedic Lang on their new positions.

Adjournment:

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m. The next meeting of the Wilder City Council will be held on January 20, 2020.


Robert Arnold - Mayor

ATTEST:


Juanita Schultz - City Clerk