

CITY OF WILDER, KENTUCKY

April 6, 2020

The regular meeting of the Wilder City Council was held on Monday, April 6, 2020. The meeting was held over video conference through Google Meets. The Public was invited to participate in the video conference.

Moment of silence for Jerry Sebastian. Councilman Jerry Sebastian passed away on March 8, 2020.

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, and Councilman Jim Proffitt.

Approval of Minutes:

Upon motion of Councilwoman Jones, seconded by Councilwoman Decker to approve the Minutes of March 2, 2020 Regular Meeting. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor's Report:

- Thanked everyone for being flexible and being available for the meeting tonight from home.
- Thanked Assistant City Administrator Chuck Norris for all his work in making this happen.

Introduction of Guests/Public Comments:

- No one called into the video conference.

Attorney's Report:

Attorney Verst presented Resolution No. 20-0401: **A Resolution filling a vacancy on the City Council of the City of Wilder.**

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Upon motion of Councilwoman Decker, seconded by Councilwoman Meiser to approve Resolution No. 20-0401: **A Resolution filling a vacancy on the City Council of the City of Wilder. Council appoints Becky Sebastian to fill the vacancy created by the untimely passing of Councilman Jerry Sebastian. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.**

Becky Sebastian was sworn in by Attorney Verst.

Attorney Verst presented Resolution No. 20-0402: **A Resolution appointing Bill Allen to the position of part time patrolman for the Wilder Police Department.**

Chief Martin addressed council regarding the hiring of Bill Allen. Officer Allen was a part time employee for many years with the City of Wilder.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Jones, seconded by Councilwoman Decker to approve Resolution No. 20-0402: **A Resolution appointing Bill Allen to the position of part time patrolman for the Wilder Police Department effective April 6, 2020. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator's Report:

- City Administrator Vance contacted several businesses in Wilder to check on them regarding COVID 19 and how this has impacted their business.

Department Reports:

Treasurer Report:

- February financials were sent to council in early March.
- Jane Haney and Maureen Hale are working from home.
- Councilwoman Jones asked for an update regarding delinquent property taxes.
 - Delinquent taxes are coming in. There were two large amounts paid within the last week.

Upon motion of Councilman Blankenship, seconded by Councilwoman Meiser to approve the financial reports and authorize payment of the bills for General Fund ending 2/29/2020. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.

Police Chief Comments:

- Welcomed Bill Allen back to the City of Wilder.
- There is a homeless shelter in Covington called the Welcome House. They have rented 20 rooms at the Holiday Inn Express for their clients until May 1, 2020.

Fire Chief Comments:

- There was a fire at the Steel Plant in the coating mill last Saturday, April 4, 2020.
- Thanked Chief Profitt and his wife for making masks for the fire department.

Park and Rec Report:

- No comment.

Maintenance Report:

- Update on Fire Station – construction is on schedule.

Council Comments:

Councilwoman Decker:

- Welcomed Becky Sebastian to council.

Councilwoman Meiser:

- Welcomed Becky Sebastian to council. Councilman Sebastian will be missed.
- Thanked all the front line workers.

Councilman Blankenship:

- Welcomed Becky Sebastian to council. Councilman Sebastian will be greatly missed.
- Thanked Chuck Norris for all of his work in setting up the meeting.
- Thanked all the front line workers.

Councilwoman Jones:

- Welcomed Becky Sebastian to council. Councilman Sebastian will be greatly missed; he was a voice of reason.
- Welcomed Bill Allen back to Wilder.
- Thanked Chief Martin for taking her call and looking into gun shots in her neighborhood.
- Thanked all the first responders.

Councilman Profitt:

- Welcomed Becky Sebastian to council. Councilman Sebastian was a tremendous asset to council. He will be missed.
- Welcomed Bill Allen back to the City.
- Condolences to the Allen Family.
- Thanked all the front line workers.

Councilwoman Sebastian:

- Thanked everyone for their kind remarks.

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Mayor Arnold Concluding Comments:

- The State COVID 19 webpage has a lot of good information. According to the webpage things are improving.
- Thanked Assistant City Administrator Chuck Norris for all of his work in getting the meeting set up.

Adjournment:

Upon motion of Councilwoman Decker, seconded by Councilman Blankenship 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 April 20, 2020.


Robert Arnold - Mayor

ATTEST:


Juanita Schultz - City Clerk