

# CITY OF WILDER, KENTUCKY

June 1, 2020

The regular meeting of the Wilder City Council was held on Monday, June 1, 2020. The meeting was held over video conference through Google Meets. The council meeting took place downstairs in the hall. The Public was invited to participate in the video conference.

Lord's Prayer

Pledge of Allegiance

## **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 Proffitt and Councilwoman Becky Sebastian.

## **Approval of Minutes:**

**Upon motion of Councilwoman Decker, seconded by Councilwoman Meiser to approve the minutes of May 4, 2020 Regular Meeting. Mayor Arnold called for a vote.**

**Motion carried.**

## **Mayor's Report:**

- Thanked everyone for coming to the meeting this evening.
- Budget is the main discussion tonight.

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

- Mr. Hamilton called in to voice his concerns regarding Council raising taxes.

## **Attorney's Report:**

Attorney Verst presented Ordinance No. 20-0601: **An Ordinance adopting the City of Wilder Kentucky's annual budget for fiscal year 07/01/20 through 06/30/21 by estimating revenues and appropriating funds for the operation of city government. (First Reading)**

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The Mayor explained how Ordinance No. 20-0601 is different this year. There is a fourth column on the ordinance; the column is for a Capital Outlay Fund.

The Mayor explained why he balanced the budget with some carryover; but not all of it.

He also explained why he used the compensating rate for the 2020 property taxes.

The Mayor went line by line through the revenues.

- Discussion was ensued regarding the budget for fiscal year 07/01/20 through 06/30/21.

There was no vote on Ordinance No. 20-0601.

**Attorney Verst presented Resolution No. 20-0601: Adoption of a Resolution of the City of Wilder ("City") authorizing the filing of a Coronavirus Relief Fund ("CRF") application for reimbursement of incurred expenses in CRF funds with the Department for Local Government ("DLG"); authorizing and directing the Mayor to execute any documents which are deemed necessary by DLG to reimburse the city; and authorizing the Mayor to act as the authorized correspondent for reimbursement.**

- Discussion ensued regarding Resolution No. 20-0601.

Upon motion of Councilman Proffitt, seconded by Councilman Blankenship to accept Resolution No. 20-0601; **A Resolution of the City of Wilder ("City") authorizing the filing of a Coronavirus Relief Fund ("CRF") application for reimbursement of incurred expenses in CRF funds with the Department for Local Government ("DLG"); authorizing and directing the Mayor to execute any documents which are deemed necessary by DLG to reimburse the city; and authorizing the Mayor to act as the authorized correspondent for reimbursement. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.**

**City Administrator's Report:**

- The Corona Reimbursement Funding is a reimbursement. States are still asking Congress for a relief package in lost revenue.
- City Administrator Vance and Assistant City Administrator Norris will be meeting with MSP on Friday, June 5th to talk about change orders.
- Duke Energy is going to perform a gas blow off tomorrow morning at 9:00 a.m.

**Department Reports:**

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**Treasurer Report:**

- April financials were sent to council.

**Upon motion of Councilman Blankenship, seconded by Councilwoman Meiser to approve the financial reports and authorize payment of the bills for General Fund ending 4/30/2020. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried.**

**Motion carried.**

**Police Chief Comments:**

- The department is working long hours with one vacancy.
- Chief Martin has received about seven applications to interview for the vacant position.
- Officer Boswell has been recognized twice for going above and beyond in the last couple days.

**Fire Chief Comments:**

- The department is working long hours and doing a great job.

**Park and Rec Report:**

- Summer Program will start June 1, 2020. This will be a virtual program through google meets.

**Maintenance Report:**

- No comment.

**Council Comments:**

**Councilwoman Decker:**

- Thanked the Fire and Police Departments for everything they do for the City. Stay Safe.

**Councilwoman Meiser:**

- Thanked everyone for all of the information on the budget.
- Thanked Officer Collins and Captain Lang for being part of the parade for the little girl who has cancer.
- Thanked the Police and Fire Departments for their hard work.
- The Summer Program that the city offers is awesome.

**Councilman Blankenship:**

- Thanked the staff for all of their work on the budget.
- Thanked the police and fire departments for all of their hard work.
- Asked for an update on Licking Pike.
  - City Administrator Vance stated he has not heard anything from the state.
  - Officer Collins stated he spoke with someone from the state and they plan on starting on the landslide on June 8, 2020.

**Councilman Profitt:**

- Thanked the Police and Fire Departments for all of their hard work.

**Councilwoman Jones:**

- No Comment.

**Councilwoman Sebastian:**

- No comment.

**Mayor Arnold Concluding Comments:**

- Thanked the staff for all of their hard work. You are doing a great job and I am proud of everyone and the job they are doing; especially police.

**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 8:45 p.m. The next meeting of the Wilder City Council will be held on June 15, 2020.

  
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Robert Arnold - Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Juanita Schultz - City Clerk