

CITY OF WILDER, KENTUCKY

June 15, 2020

The regular meeting of the Wilder City Council was held on Monday, June 15, 2020. The council meeting took place downstairs in the hall.

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 Councilman Blankenship to approve the minutes of June 1, 2020 Regular Meeting. Mayor Arnold called for a vote.

Motion carried.

Mayor's Report:

- Main discussion tonight will be the changes made to the budget.

Introduction of Guests/Public Comments:

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)**

Upon motion of Councilwoman Jones, seconded by Councilman Blankenship to approve 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) Mayor Arnold called for a vote.**

Councilwoman Decker - Yes
Councilman Profitt - Yes
Councilwoman Meiser - Yes

Councilman Blankenship - Yes
Councilwoman Jones - Yes
Councilwoman Sebastian - Yes

Motion carried.

City Administrator's Report:

- Update on firehouse: The issue with the retaining wall has been resolved. They are staying on top of the change orders.
- Route 9 update – little to no progress from the state.
- The Corona Relief Fund money is in the process of being mailed out.

Department Reports:

Treasurer Report:

- May financials were sent to council.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Decker, seconded by Councilman Blankenship to approve the financial reports and authorize payment of the bills for General Fund ending 5/31/2020. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried.

Motion carried.

Police Chief Comments:

- Chief Martin is in the process of hiring for the open position. There are two outstanding candidates. He will move on to the second phase.

Fire Chief Comments:

- Joe Eggemeier's son passed away on Sunday.

Park and Rec Report:

- Summer Program going well.
- Frederick's Landing is open; the shelters and restroom will remain closed at this time.
- Dredging will be after July 1, 2020.
- Splash Park is coming along.

Maintenance Report:

- No comment.

Council Comments:

Councilwoman Decker:

- Thanked the Fire and Police Departments.

Councilwoman Meiser:

- Thanked everyone for their work on the budget.
- Thanked Officer Collins and Boswell for speaking with her old neighbor.

Councilman Blankenship:

- Asked for an update on the gas line on Three Mile Road.
 - The building is complete but there is still a lot of work to do on the gas line. Estimated completion date for the whole project is still about a year out.
- Asked for an update on Three Mile Bridge.
 - A new bridge is being built just east of the current bridge. The current bridge will remain open while the new bridge is being built.

Councilman Proffitt:

- Councilman Proffitt is excited about hiring the new police officers. He is also concerned about the workload and burnout in the Maintenance and Fire Departments.

Councilwoman Jones:

- Thanked Mayor Arnold and everyone involved for answering her questions in regards to the budget.
- Asked for an update on the sale of the two fire stations.
 - No update at this time.

Councilwoman Sebastian:

- No comment.

Mayor Arnold Concluding Comments:

- Special Meeting for the second reading on the budget will be held June 23, 2020

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 7:45 p.m. The next meeting of the Wilder City Council will be held on June 23, 2020.


Robert Arnold - Mayor

ATTEST:


Juanita Schultz - City Clerk