

CITY OF WILDER, KENTUCKY

October 4, 2021

City Council Meeting

The regular meeting of the Wilder City Council was held on Monday, October 4, 2021 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 Councilman Robert Blankenship, Councilwoman Valerie Jones, Councilwoman Sandy Decker, Councilwoman Kelly Meiser, Councilman Jim Profitt, and Councilman Andy Williams.

Approval of Minutes:

Upon motion of Councilman Blankenship, seconded by Councilwoman Decker to approve the minutes of September 20, 2021 Regular Meeting. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried.

Mayor Arnold Report:

- Welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Introduction of Guests/Public Comments:

Mr. Pfitzer was in attendance. Mr. Pfitzer lives at 7 Elm Street.

Mr. Corbett was in attendance. Mr. Corbett lives at 412 Licking Pike. Mr. Corbett sent a letter to the Mayor and Council regarding the Zoning Map Amendment to portions of Licking Pike to Town Center.

Attorney's Report:

Attorney Verst presented Ordinance No. 21-1001: **An Ordinance amending the official zoning text of the City of Wilder Zoning Ordinance Town Center (TC) Zone by adding a definition (2) permitted uses, and development controls. (First Reading)**

- The Wilder Planning and Zoning Commission recommends (a) approval of the zoning text amendments to 7.0 Definitions Section defining Brewery, Distillery, Winery; (b) amending Section 10.16 Town Center (TC) Zone Section 10.16 C Permitted uses by adding Brewery, Distillery, Winery for both retail and wholesale use and package liquor and wine sales excluding

drive-thru; and (c) amending Section 10.16 J. Other Development Controls regarding outdoor seating, screening and noise as listed on the attached copy.

- Discussion ensued regarding Ordinance No. 21-1001.

No motion was made at the meeting. Mayor Arnold will ask for a motion and a vote at the next meeting.

Attorney Verst presented Ordinance No. 21-1002: **An Ordinance amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Wilder from Professional Office and Residential Rural Estate (R-RE) to Town Center for property located along the east side of Licking Pike from Moock Road to Aspen Pines and on the west side of Licking Pike at North Street more specifically described on the attached map from LINK GIS. (First Reading)**

Zoning Map Amendment:

The Wilder Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of a Zoning Map Amendment from PO and R-RE to TC for approximately 12 acres located along the East side of Licking Pike from Moock Road to Aspen Pines and for a portion of the West side of Licking Pike at or near North Street. The Commission found that the zoning map amendment is consistent with the current adopted comprehensive plan and with the special study on the Town Center zone regarding the development of a true City Center along Licking Pike from Fredericks Landing Road to Aspen Pines/Steel Plant Road. Further, the Commission found, that by changing the proposed areas, properties generally located in the zone will have expanded opportunities for development consistent with a city center. Therefore, the Commission finds that the current zoning is inappropriate and that the proposed zoning is more appropriate.

- Discussion ensued regarding Ordinance No. 21-1002.

Mr. Tom Corbett sent a letter to the Mayor and Council regarding this Ordinance and the zoning map.

No motion was made at the meeting. Mayor Arnold will ask for a motion and a vote at the next meeting.

Assistant City Administrator Report:

- Assistant City Administrator Norris will meet with MSP and Codell for a one year walk through and inspection of the Fire Station.
- Campbell County Fall cleanup was last weekend. Public Works helped again this year. Due to staffing issues Allyn Reinecke (Solid Waste Coordinator from Campbell County) worked most the day on Friday.
- Red Cross to use the City Building as a shelter has been updated.
- Reached out to Semen's Monitoring and Alarm Systems. Monitoring was covered for a year at the Fire Station. Mr. Norris will be meeting with them soon to address some issues.
- HVAC Preventive Maintenance Contract – Information was given to council prior to the meeting. Mr. Norris reached out to five companies to get bids on the preventative

maintenance contract. He only received two bids back. He recommended going with the lowest bid; which was Enervise.

- Discussion ensued regarding the contract.

Council would like to see some references from Enervise and they would also like more information on the cost of all service calls last year to compare those cost to the yearly preventive maintenance cost.

City Administrator's Report:

- City Administrator Vance asked Council to extend the due diligence period for the North Fire Station to October 29th at 5:00 p.m.

Upon motion of Councilman Blankenship, seconded by Councilman Profitt to extend the due diligence period for the North Fire Station to October 29th at 5:00 p.m. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried.

- Cyber Coverage - Discussion ensued regarding the Cyber Insurance.
 - Council will address at the next meeting. City Administrator Vance will receive more information on premiums and deductibles.
- City Administrator Vance introduced a Proclamation recognizing October 2021 as National Arts and Humanities Month.

Upon motion of Councilman Williams, seconded by Councilman Profitt to adopt the Proclamation recognizing October 2021 as National Arts and Humanities Month. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried.

Department Reports:

Treasurer Report:

- Property taxes were mailed out September 30, 2021.
- Thanked Karen, Maureen and Jane for all of their work folding, stuffing and mailing out the 2021 tax bills.

Police Chief Comments:

- Attended State required training the last two weeks.

Fire Chief Comments:

- October is Fire Prevention Month.
- The department has teamed up with Tracy Johnson at State Farm Insurance. She supplied the city with a Fire Prevention Sign which is located at the front of the building.

Park and Rec Report:

- The Splash Pad was winterized on October 1, 2021.
- Halloween is October 31, 2021 from 6:00 to 8:00.

Maintenance Report:

- The city received a grant from Marc Barone, Woodmen Life, to renovate the Shelters at Frederick's Landing. Public Works cleaned and painted the shelters. They also painted the tables and benches. Thanked Woodmen Life for the grant. Also thanked Andrew and Aaron for all of their work on the shelters.
- Thanked Jason for the repairs on all of the equipment. Jason also worked with Play Pros on winterizing the Splash Pad.

Council Comments:

Councilwoman Jones:

- Thanked the guest and the First Responders for coming to the meeting.

Councilwoman Decker:

- Landscaping bids for the City Building should be in soon.

Councilwoman Meiser:

- Thanked Officer Peak for his help on the abandon house on Three Mile.
- Great Pumpkin Hunt – Low Budget and low maintenance and good for all ages. Hide a pumpkin and the person who finds the pumpkin would win a gift card. There will be clues on Facebook and on the door at the city building each day.

Upon motion of Councilman Blankenship, seconded by Councilman Williams to move forward with the Great Pumpkin Hunt for the month of October. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried.

Councilman Blankenship:

- Councilman Blankenship would like to revisit the Camper issue and address amending the Ordinance if needed. This issue will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

Councilman Profitt:

- Rumpke has failed to pick up recycling for several weeks. Assistant City Administrator Norris will contact Rumpke.

Councilman Williams:

- No comment.

Mayor Arnold's concluding comments:

Old Business:

- Police Retention – Mayor Arnold sent an email to council regarding the three year retention contract for the police department. There was an open discussion with council regarding the contract.
 - Councilman Profitt stated he is in favor of the retention contract for the police department and would like to see a contract for the Fire Department in the near future.
 - Councilwoman Jones stated she would like to adopt something for the Fire Department also.

- Discussion ensued regarding the Police Retention Contract.

- Councilwoman Decker stated she would like to see the ARPA money used for the Police Department and eventually all the departments right away and not wait until next year.

Upon motion of Councilman Williams, seconded by Councilman Blankenship to authorize Mayor Arnold to move forward with the Police Retention Contract. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Jones stated she would like to also move forward with something similar for fire.

Mayor Arnold stated he will continue meeting with all employees; but this will take some time.

Upon motion of Councilman Profitt, seconded by Councilman Blankenship to enter into executive session at 8:46 p.m. pursuant to KRS 61.810 1C to discuss possible litigation. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Jones, seconded by Councilwoman Decker to come out of executive session at 9:19 p.m. and to enter back into regular session. Mayor Arnold called for a vote. Motion carried.

Mayor Arnold stated that after the discussion in Executive Session the appropriate action that is coming from council is for the Mayor to move forward consistent with the discussion they had and he will report back to council.

Adjournment:

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:21 p.m. The next meeting of the Wilder City Council will be held on October 18, 2021.


Robert Arnold - Mayor

ATTEST:


Juanita Schultz - City Clerk