

# CITY OF WILDER, KENTUCKY

April 17, 2023

## City Council Meeting

**The regular meeting of the Wilder City Council was held on Monday, April 17, 2023 at the Wilder City Building, 520 Licking Pike, Wilder, Kentucky 41071.**

Lords Prayer

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

### **Roll Call:**

Roll call was answered by Councilwoman Kelly Meiser, Councilwoman Sandy Decker, Councilman Jim Profitt, Councilman Brad Murphy, Councilman Robert Blankenship and Councilman Andy Williams.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

**Upon motion of Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilwoman Decker to approve the minutes of April 3, 2023 Regular Meeting. Mayor Jones called for a vote. Motion carried.**

### **Mayor Jones opening comments:**

- Welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### **Attorney's Report:**

Attorney Verst presented Ordinance No. 23-0401: **An Ordinance amending the Police Department Policy and procedures manual by amending and replacing policy number 9-1 sexual assault guidelines and amending the take home fleet policy regarding take home vehicles. (Second Reading)**

Upon motion of Councilwoman Meiser, seconded by Councilman Williams to approve Ordinance No. 23-0401: **An Ordinance amending the Police Department Policy and procedures manual by amending and replacing policy number 9-1 sexual assault guidelines and amending the take home fleet policy regarding take home vehicles. (Second Reading)** Mayor Jones called for a vote. Motion carried.

Attorney Verst presented Ordinance No. 23-0402: **An Ordinance approving a lease agreement to finance a project in a maximum principal amount not to exceed \$1,200,000; providing for the payment and security of the lease and deposits to a sinking fund; authorizing the execution of various documents related to such lease; and making certain designations regarding such lease. (Second Reading)**

- Discussion ensued regarding the general obligation bond for the new firetruck.

Upon motion of Councilman Profitt, seconded by Councilman Blankenship to approve Ordinance No. 23-0402: **An Ordinance approving a lease agreement to finance a project in a maximum principal amount not to exceed \$1,200,000; providing for the payment and security of the lease and deposits to a sinking fund; authorizing the execution of various documents related to such lease; and making certain designations regarding such lease. (Second Reading) Mayor Jones called for a vote. Motion carried.**

Attorney Verst distributed to council and the mayor the roles of the Mayor and Council in the operation of the City Government.

**City Administrator Report:**

- City Administrator Vance sent an email to council on 4/17/23 at 3:00 p.m. regarding an interlocal agreement between the City of Wilder and the Campbell County Fiscal Court. The agreement proposes the county will begin collecting the city occupational tax and gross receipts tax in 2024.
  - Long discussion ensued regarding the interlocal agreement with Campbell County.
    - Council asked for more time to review the interlocal agreement.
- Wilder Business Meeting - April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.
- Planning and Zoning meeting on Monday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m.
  - City Administrator Vance stated the violation letter that went out on John's Hill Road is being appealed. There will be a Board of Adjustments meeting within the next 30 days.
- Bids are out for the new pickleball courts and they are due back by April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Bids will be opened at 10:30 a.m.

Mayor Jones thanked Councilman Profitt for his help in relocating the sand.

**Assistant City Administrator Report:**

- Not in attendance.

**Department Reports:****Treasurer Report:**

Juanita Schultz was not in attendance. Karen Schlipf attended the meeting in her absence.

- Nothing to Report.

**Police Chief Comments:**

- Drug Take Back Program – Saturday April 22, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Mayor Jones authorized the purchase of rifle rated ballistic vests.
- Police Chief Martin stated they are interviewing for the open positions in the police department. Chief Martin conducted two interviews today. Mayor Jones, City Administrator Vance and Assistant City Administrator Norris will be interviewing the applicant this week. More information to come.

**Fire Chief Comments:**

- Thanked Juanita and Karen and all of council for their help with the Easter Egg Hunt. It was a huge success.

**Park and Rec Report:**

- Nothing to report.

**Public Works Report:**

- Nothing to report.

**Mayor Jones comments:***Old Business:*

- Budget will be sent to council soon.
- Thanked council and staff for all of their help on the calendar of events.
- First Friday – Shop Local – Five businesses participated in the second phase. There has been a lot of great feedback.
- Thanked everyone for all of their help with the Easter Egg Hunt. It was a wonderful event.
- Active Aging Fitness Program starts Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Petting Zoo is Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>.

*New Business:*

- Mayor Jones asked council if they were interested in meeting once a month; instead of twice a month and changing the start time to 6:30.
  - Discussion ensued regarding the change from two meetings to one meeting a month.
    - Council thought it was a good idea to amend the Ordinance to one meeting a month. City Administrator Vance will present the Ordinance at the next meeting.
- Sexual Harassment Training will be May 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. and May 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.
- Mayor Jones was invited by a Radio DJ to participate in a live interview to boast about the City of Wilder.

**Council Comments:**

**Councilman Proffitt:**

- Thanked Juanita, Karen, the Easter Bunny and everyone for all of their work on the Easter Egg Hunt. It was a very nice event.

**Councilman Williams:**

- Thanked Juanita and Karen and everyone for all of their work on the Easter Egg Hunt.

**Councilwoman Meiser:**

- Thanked everyone for a great job on the Easter Egg Hunt.
- Thanked Aaron and Councilwoman Decker for a great job on the landscaping. The Wilder signs look great.
- Petting Zoo – April 29<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are needed.
- Thanked Officer Collins for his help with a personal matter.

**Councilwoman Decker:**

- Landscaping update: There has been an issue contacting the business she hired to do the landscaping; so she reached out to another company to do the work.

**Councilman Blankenship:**

- Councilman Blankenship asked for an update on the Neyer Property and the water line.
  - City Administrator Vance stated there is a meeting tomorrow morning with Viox. More information to come.

**Councilwoman Murphy:**

- Thanked everyone for all of their work on the Easter Egg Hunt. It was a good time.

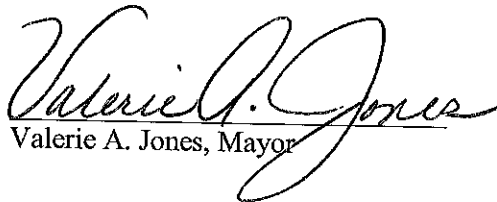
**Open Forum:**

- Darlene Spicer located at 360 Timber Ridge stated May 16<sup>th</sup> is Primary Election Day.
- Megan Bardo located at 747 Johns Hill Road voiced her concerns about her neighbor's cows, chickens and dogs. She stated the dogs bark all hours of the night and it has been a real struggle.
  - Attorney Verst asked council to not make any comments at this time. Board of Adjustments will be meeting regarding this issue.
    - City Administrator Vance stated the Board of Adjustment will be meeting within the next 30 days. He gave an overview of the process and stated it does take time.

**Adjournment:**

**Upon motion of Councilwomen Decker, seconded by Councilman Blankenship to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Jones called for a vote. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. The next meeting of the Wilder City Council will be held on Monday, May 1, 2023.

  
Valerie A. Jones, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Juanita Schultz - City Clerk