

CITY OF WILDER, KENTUCKY

October 2, 2023

City Council Meeting

The regular meeting of the Wilder City Council was held on Monday October 2, 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 Sandy Decker, Councilwoman Kelly Meiser, Councilman Brad Murphy, Councilman Andy Williams and Councilman Jim Proffitt.

Approval of Minutes:

Upon motion of Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Williams to approve the minutes of September 18, 2023 Regular Meeting. Mayor Jones called for a vote. Motion carried.

Mayor Jones opening comments:

- Welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- Thanked council for accepting her invitation to meet. She has received some great feedback and thanked everyone for taking the time to meet with her.

Special Guest:

Campbell County Fiscal Court:

Judge Executive, Steve Pendery

County Administrator/Deputy Judge Executive, Matt Elberfeld

Mr. Elberfeld gave a brief overview of the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Wilder and the Campbell County Fiscal Court. As of January 1st, 2024, the county will collect the city's payroll and gross receipts taxes. The charge for the service is 2% of the amount collected that will be withheld from the payment to the City.

Attorney's Report:

- Attorney Verst prepared a memo to define the roles of mayor and council. He will email the memo to council.

City Administrator Report:

- The last five years the city has discussed lighting up Andrews Way. City Administrator Vance has a teleconference call with Duke on Wednesday to discuss lighting this street. More information to come.
- Street repair bids opening will be October 16th at 10:00 a.m.
- The sewer project at Frederick's Landing is being revised. This is part of the \$400,000 grant the city received from Senator Schroder. More information to come.
- Update on vehicles on GovDeals:
 - 2014 Dodge Charger sold for \$6,650.
 - 2010 Ford Sport Track sold for \$7,000.
 - 2007 Ford Explorer did not meet the reserve of \$3,000. The high bid was \$1,600. City Administrator Vance asked for feedback from council on this vehicle.

Council asked City Administrator Vance to reach out to GovDeals to see if the \$1,600 bidder is still interested in the car. Councilman Williams asked City Administrator Vance to contact Owsley County to see if they could use the Explorer.

Department Reports:**Treasurer Report:**

- Great Pumpkin Hunt started October 1st. Thanked Councilwoman Meiser for taking the lead on this event.
- The shelters at City Center Park are no longer being rented for the season. The bathrooms will be closed on October 31st.
- Pickelball courts are numbered from 1 to 4.
- Property taxes were mailed out September 29th.
- Maureen Hale's last day was last week. She was hired on August 29, 2000.

Upon motion from Councilwoman Decker, seconded by Councilwoman Meiser to approve the financial reports and authorize payment of the bills for General Fund ending August 2023. Mayor Jones called for a vote. Motion carried.

Police Chief Comments:

- Not in attendance.

Sergeant Collins Comments:

- Thanked Council for approving the new vehicles.

Fire Chief Comments:

- The firefighters completed the Fire Extinguisher Training today.
- Turkey Raffle November 17th, 2023.

Mayor Jones comments:*Old Business:*

- Mayor Jones received an email from Chief Martin. Chief Martin thanked the Mayor and council for purchasing the two new cruisers. Mayor Jones also thanked council; she stated purchasing the two new cruisers made Chief Martin and the officers very happy.
- Personnel Policy update – The personnel policy should be completed in the next week to ten days.
- Mayor Jones and City Administrator Vance continue to meet with businesses in Wilder.
- The cruisers were paid for out of the Capital Account. Mayor Jones asked for input from council if they wanted the funds to come out of Capital or adjust the funds to come out of the ARPA account.
 - Councilman Profitt stated he would like the funds to come out of the Capital Account.

Discussion ensued regarding the funding of two new police cruisers.

Council was in agreement to pay for the funds out of the Capital Account.

New Business:

- Mayor Jones stated she is excited to work with Councilwoman Decker on a new beautification project. Thanked Councilman Profitt for working on the roads and infrastructure. Thanked Councilwoman Meiser for taking the lead on the “Great Pumpkin Hunt”. Mayor Jones also stated she will be in contact with Councilman Williams regarding the next meeting on Frederick’s Landing. Mayor Jones stated she will keep Councilman Murphy updated with information on the commercial developer.

Council Comments:**Councilman Murphy:**

- Nothing to report.

Councilman Blankenship:

- Not in attendance.

Councilwoman Decker:

- Nothing to report.

Councilwoman Meiser:

- Thanked Councilwoman Decker for suggesting the new cruisers and also thanked Chief Martin for moving so quickly on purchasing them.

Councilman Williams:

- Nothing to report.

Councilman Profitt:

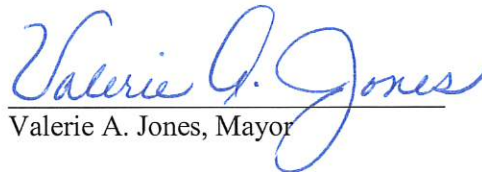
- Thanked all the employees for doing a fantastic job.

Open Forum:

Adjournment:

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m. The next meeting of the Wilder City Council will be held on November 6, 2023.


Valerie A. Jones, Mayor

ATTEST:


Juanita Schultz - City Clerk