

CITY OF WILDER, KENTUCKY

May 6, 2024

City Council Meeting

The regular meeting of the Wilder City Council was held on Monday, May 6, 2024 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, Councilman Brad Murphy, Councilman Bob Blankenship, Councilwoman Kelly Meiser, and Councilman Jim Proffitt.

Approval of Minutes:

Upon motion of Councilwoman Decker, seconded by Councilman Blankenship to approve the minutes of April 1, 2024. Mayor Jones called for a vote. Motion carried.

Mayor Jones opening comments:

- Welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- Thanked Chief Martin and Chief Neyman for working with Mayor Jones on the Public Service Announcement for Smart 911 System.

Citizens Comments Open Forum – 3 minutes, must state your name and address.

Cindy Roeder asked Councilwoman Decker why she recused herself from the Fischer vote at the last meeting. Councilwoman Decker stated she abstained; she did not recuse.

Discussion ensued regarding the difference between recuse and abstain.

Attorney's Report:

Attorney Beck presented Resolution No. 24-0501: **A Resolution of the City of Wilder adopting the Northern Kentucky Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan, 2024.**

Upon motion of Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Proffitt to approve Resolution No. 24-0501: **A Resolution of the City of Wilder adopting the Northern Kentucky Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan, 2024. Mayor Jones called for a vote. Motion carried.**

Attorney Beck presented Resolution No. 24-0502: **A Resolution appointing Noah Tuke to the position of full-time recruit patrolman for the Wilder Police Department.**

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City Administrator Report:

- Work has been completed on street projects; Town, Plum and on residential streets, Colonel and Guardian. The contractor has been notified about additional work for Aspen Court and Frosty.
- Surplus police vehicles update: The charger was sold for \$5,201 and the Durango was sold for \$4,050. They both were sold on Gov Deals.
- Andrews Way Street Lighting 36-month agreement with Duke will be moved to capital. The expense is around \$21,000 per year for lights and installation.
- Ethics is now in the hands of the Regional Ethics Board through NKADD
- Financial Disclosure forms are out. The forms need to be returned as soon as possible.
- County clean up days were April 26th and April 27th. It went well and it was very busy.
- Sewer bid opening was April 11th at 10:00 a.m. We rejected the one bid and made some changes to the plan for rebid which is May 10th at 10:00 a.m.
- Summer recreation program has been cancelled for 2024. The summer teacher gave her notice last week.
- Property tax software has been reviewed and can handle all of the issues. Some of the taxes that were reported late were incorrect. The tax book states the taxes were paid on time. The date paid will be reflected in tax record moving forward. Also, no exceptions, penalty and interest will be applied on December 1st and interest calculated each month after.

Department Reports:

Treasurer Report:

- Delinquent Property Tax update: around \$12,000 delinquent.
- Active Aging – May 1st through June 26th. Every Wednesday from 10:45 to 11:45.
- Splash Pad will open Memorial Day Weekend.
- May 17th, 18th, 19th City Wide Yard Sale.
- City Government for Kids – June 18th from 11:30 to 12:30.
- Veteran Banners – Cost will be \$50. Send pictures to Juanita by May 17th.

Upon motion from Councilman Blankenship, seconded by Councilwoman Decker to approve the financial report and authorize payment of the bills for General Fund ending March 2024. Mayor Jones called for a vote. Motion carried.

Police Chief Comments:

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Councilwoman Decker:

- Congratulated the two new police recruits, Douglas Tyler and Noah Tuke and the two contract officers, TJ Selby and Jules Comte. Congratulated Firefighter Edgar Rowland.

Councilwoman Meiser:

- Congratulations to all of the new hires.
- Councilwoman Meiser stated neither one of the new recruits were in the FY24 budget. FY24 Q3 revenue is a little down compared to FY23 Q3 revenue. Councilwoman Meiser stated she would like to see more collaboration with Mayor and Council prior to seeing resolutions. She stated council owns the budget and she feels council doesn't have much control of the budget. Councilwoman Meiser would like council to approve a line-item budget.

Councilman Williams:

- Not in attendance.

Councilman Profitt:


- Councilman Profitt stated he would like to know what's going on prior to the meeting. He also stated council needs to be more informed especially on major items. He would like council to receive more information in advance.
- Smart 911 – thanked Mayor Jones for getting that information out to our resident.

Mayor Jones stated there will be two council meetings in June. The meetings will be June 3rd and June 17th.

Adjournment:

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.


Valerie A. Jones, Mayor

ATTEST:


Juanita Schultz - City Clerk