

**CITY OF WILLERNIE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 15, 2009**

PRESENT: Parent, Bohnen, Miller, Attorney-Scott McDonald, Maintenance Superintendent-Rick Paulson and Clerk-Vickie Keating.

ABSENT: Greeder and Marcellais.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Miller moved to accept the agenda as presented, Bohnen seconded the motion and the motion passed.

MINUTES OF THE MARCH MEETING

Bohnen moved to accept the March, 2009 minutes as pre-read, Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bob LaCasse was present at the meeting and explained that he is considering buying the property at 200 Sargent. He wanted to present his plan to the Council and ask if they were any objections to the remodel he is proposing.

The porch on the front of the house does not meet the 20 foot set back requirements and Mr. LaCasse would like to finish the porch off and use it as living space. The back porch will be removed but there are no set back issues in the back of the house. There used to be a garage in the back of the house where the retaining wall is presently standing and Mr. LaCasse would like to know if he could rebuild the garage. If a 24 foot deep garage was built it would only be 18 feet from the street. The lot would need to be surveyed before any actual construction could begin but Mr. LaCasse would like to know if any of the remodel is a possibility.

The Council had no problem with using the front porch as living space since it is already standing and could be just remodeled; however, the garage presents a problem because of

the 20 foot set back. Mr. LaCasse could apply for a variance but there is no guarantee that it would be granted. Due to the lack of parking in Willernie the Council does not like to allow any set backs that are not within the 20 feet. This particular house is in a spot where it would be a tight turn to get into a garage and the lack of 20 feet from the street also poses problems with the traffic on the street.

Dave Frigaard attended the meeting and asked if there was a noise time limit regarding bands. Mr. Frigaard wants to have a three year party with a band on the patio. He is planning an acoustic band with no drums and the patio will be covered to help with the noise. The event is planned for May 8th.

The Council did think there should be a problem with the event Mr. Frigaard is planning as long as the music is done by 10:00 p.m. Scott will check the state statutes on the noise time limits.

The Rite of Spring is being sponsored by Mahtomedi and will be held April 25th between 9 a.m. and Noon at the Mahtomedi High School. Several workshops and free gifts will be available for all residents in the 832 school district.

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

The Washington County Officers did not attend the April meeting.

MATS LUDWIG

Mr. Ludwig has a purchase agreement on the commercial building he owns on Trim and Stillwater Road. The agreement cannot go through unless the Council approves moving the property lines on the building facing Stillwater Road.

The Council suggested an easement for the deck and the area on the corner of Stillwater Road. If Mr. Ludwig wishes to change the property lines a legal description of the property will need to be submitted to the City Council before a decision can be made.

After much discussion a motion to approve the proposal was made if an easement is allowed on Stillwater Road and the deck by the purchaser. A deed will be drafted to allow a lot line split that is outlined on the map for the lot on Penway. The documents to accomplish this change will be submitted to Scott McDonald for review along with a survey of the property and once they are reviewed by Scott, he can recommend the clerk sign off on the property split on Penway. The motion was made by Miller, seconded by Bohnen and the motion passed.

COUNTY ROAD 12-244

The current issue on County Road 12 and 244 is safety and the speeding at this intersection has made it an unsafe area.

The county is considering a T at the corner of 12 and 244 with a designated turn lane. Next month the committee is looking at the solutions and the impact the solutions will have on Triangle Park.

RICK REPORT

The leaves are being picked up this week and everything is running smoothly in the City.

Scott presented the Council with the new Animal Control Contract and the two summaries for the agreements with Xcel that are to be published.

A motion to sign the new Animal Contract was made by Miller, seconded by Bohnen and the motion passed.

Bohnen moved to approve the publication of the new ordinances, Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Miller moved to approve the Bills. Bohnen seconded the motion and the motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Bohnen moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 p.m., Miller seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Victoria R. Keating
Clerk-Treasurer

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