

**CITY OF WILLERNIE
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
JUNE 16, 2010**

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

ABSENT: Marcellais.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Under New Business Grass was added as letter D. After this addition to New Business Greeder moved to accept the agenda, Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed.

MINUTES OF THE MAY, 2010 MEETING

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at the June meeting.

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

Officer Matt Wieland and Steve Wittl attended the Willernie City Council Meeting. The officers reported on the call outs in the City during the month of May and explained that out of 54 calls in Willernie, 21 have been on Paddington and 8 citations have been issued to the same house on Paddington. The officers are asking for the cooperation of the City in declaring the house on Paddington a nuisance house.

The City will have attorney Scott McDonald draft a nuisance ordinance for the City of Willernie that will be presented to the Council in July. After the adoption and publication of the ordinance the officer's will be able to enforce the ordinance when they are called on to handle issues at the nuisance house.

420 Paddington is an empty house that the juveniles are using as a meeting place and the officer's are afraid they are entering the house under the back porch which could be a dangerous situation for the juveniles if the house should shift.

There is an abatement of dangerous building code that is enforced by the state so the City can board up the house to make it safer and impossible for the trespassers' to enter the residence. Also a no trespassing sign can be posted on the property so the vandals can then be charged if they do attempt to enter the residence.

The order to fix the hazardous building is still in progress; however, several people have been served on this house since the deed is in the name of the deceased owners. Scott will continue with the order and Rick can board up the house to make it safe.

Miller will video the house before and after the windows have been boarded up and the safety measures have been taken so that the City has proof of the danger this house imposes.

The officers' will walk through the house before the final board is put in place to make sure there is no one living or hiding in the house.

A motion to instruct Rick to purchase supplies to board up the house was made by Parent, Greeder seconded the motion and the motion passed.

HEATHER LAVALLE – FARMER'S MARKET

Heather Lavalle introduced herself as the liaison between Mahtomedi and Willernie for the farmer's market. Heather feels Willernie will benefit a great deal from the farmer's market because the residents can walk to the Triangle and enjoy the fresh produce.

The market does need help setting up and taking down the booths. The set up is at 7 a.m. and the tear down is noon. The market also needs musicians that do not use electricity and there are a few vendor spots left.

The market will be open every Saturday until October 31st with the exception of October 9th so that Punkamania can take place.

The mayor thanked Heather for all her work and she will notify the residents in the quarterly newsletter about the farmer's market.

RENEWAL OF BUSINESS LICENSES

The mayor read the letter from the fire marshal addressing the renewal and approval of the business licenses in Willernie.

After reading the letter the fire marshal submitted Miller moved to approve the business licenses as listed below. Bohnen seconded the motion and the business licenses were approved.

1. Mike Breault Barbers
2. Mark Ashby
3. Bello Automotive
4. Domino's Pizza
5. Lakeside Floral
6. Paragon Pools
7. Nancy McNulty Massage
8. Skyline Cleaners
9. O'Leary's Hideaway
10. Earl of Sandwiches
11. Gordy's Steak House
12. Wildwood Wine and Spirits
13. Frigaard's
14. Mold Craft
15. Lola's
16. Roman Market
17. Creating Wellness Chiropractic
18. Matson's Roadhouse

GRASS

Lucy Steiner's yard and Jim Harvey's lot is in desperate need of mowing. HUD has been notified about Lucy's lawn; however, they will be contacted again to remind them about the yard. The letter sent to Jim Harvey with the current address on the tax rolls was returned and until he pays the taxes we do not have an address for him.

Scott will check on an ordinance about the height of grass allowed before cities can take action and report back at the next meeting.

420 PADDINGTON

As previously discussed, Scott will continue to follow the process to get the court order on 420 Paddington for the hazardous building order; however, the house needs to be secured so the vandals cannot do any damage to themselves that the City will be liable for in the future.

COUNTY 12-244

Jacob Gave and Cory Slagle introduced themselves as employees of Washington County that have been working on the County 12-244 project.

A brochure explaining the suggestions for this intersection was handed out and a brief explanation on the right turn lane to be installed was given by the gentlemen. This is the most cost effective fix for the intersection and it will be finished in 2011. The adoption of concept 6 on the plan is the low cost suggestion that seems to be in everyone's best interest.

There will be no cost factor for the City of Willernie concerning this project and the trail connections in Mahtomedi will participate in this area. Mahtomedi has suggested some walkways in front of the businesses if the businesses are in agreement and do not already have sidewalks in front of their establishments.

The County will contact the City at a later date as the plans progress for the construction on the intersection.

RICK REPORT

There was a problem with the lift station last week and Rick is not sure what the exact problem is at the present time. When the sewer is checked he will pinpoint the problem in the lift station and hopefully it will be a minor fix.

The fire hydrant hasn't been fixed yet and Miller is obtaining bids on the swing set for the beach. Parent also asked Miller to check on the prices for digger duns because the ones in the park need to be replaced. After receiving the price for the diggers, Willernie will approach the Legion for help with the financing of them.

Willernie received a letter from Mahtomedi about Warner Ave., Rick and Parent will meet with Mahtomedi to discuss the suggestions they are making about the paving of Warner and report back to the Council in July.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Greeder moved to approve the bills, Bohnen seconded the motion and the motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Bohnen moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m., Miller seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Victoria R. Keating
Clerk-Treasurer