

CITY OF WILLERNIE

COUNCIL MEETING

JUNE 20, 2012

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

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Water rate was put on the agenda under new business and under old business a memorial for Faye plus Sheriff's contract was added. Miller moved to accept the agenda with the additions, Bohnen seconded the motion and the motion passed.

MINUTES OF THE MAY, 2012 MEETING

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Steve Hindricks, 311 Kimberly introduced himself to the Council and asked for some direction on a fence he installed last year. Apparently, the owner of the property next to Mr. Hindricks had no problem with the installation of the fence; however, now that the maintenance of the fence is necessary the renters of the house next door will not allow Mr. Hindricks access to the fence.

Mr. Hindricks asked if there was an ordinance covering the issue of fence ownership. Unfortunately, this is a civil matter, the owner of the property might be present when the staining is scheduled to take place on the fence but the problem is that Mr. Hindricks did not get the land surveyed before putting the fence up. The property line needs to be marked and then arrangements can be made to stain the fence.

Mr. Hindricks is also concerned that the neighbor has damaged the fence before he has had time to stain it. Since the neighbor did not pay for the fence Mr. Hindricks would like them to leave it alone. It is a civil issue and Mr. Hindricks will either need a written agreement with the owner or have the land surveyed so he can maintain the fence.

CABLE PERMIT

Comcast submitted a permit to bore the road at 301 Warner Road to repair the cable at this location.

The charge for the permit will be \$100 and Comcast must return the road to the same condition before the work began with Rick's approval.

A motion to approve the permit as instructed was made by Parent. Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed.

GORDY'S

Gordy is having an end of summer tail gate party. There will be a tent put up in the parking lot on August 18th with liquor being served on the premises only. The noise will end at 11:15 and the sheriff's office will be notified as in the past.

No liquor is served after 11:00 p.m. and everything is taken down by 12:30 a.m.

A motion to approve the serving of liquor in the parking lot until 11:00 p.m. and have the tent party was made by Miller with the condition that the Sheriff is notified and the alcohol is contained in the parking lot. Baglio seconded the motion and the motion passed.

WINE TASTING AT WILDWOOD WINE AND SPIRITS

The owner of Wildwood Wine and Spirits did not attend the meeting but asked if they could have a wine tasting in the parking lot.

The Council would like the owner to attend a Council meeting to answer questions concerning the wine tasting party they are proposing.

LIVABLE DWELLING

Living in a house without the basic services is unsanitary and could cause other problems in the City. After checking it was found that many cities have an ordinance concerning livable dwellings.

The ordinance should state that whenever the dwelling structure lacks water, sewage disposal, etc. this structure should be deemed uninhabitable.

A motion to approve the lack of basic facilities ordinance was made by Baglio, Greeder seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Scott will present the ordinance at the next meeting.

WASHINGTON CONSERVATION DISTRICT CONTRACT RENEWAL

This is a contract with Washington County Conservation District to supply the education materials and workshops on the water resources, storm water and groundwater management in order to improve the quality of the water in the City.

Miller moved to renew the contract with Washington County, Greeder seconded the motion and the motion passed.

WATER RATE

The Mayor's letter will encourage all the residents in Willernie to purchase new water meters especially in the older houses to help with the accuracy in the meter readings.

The next step is to increase the water rates to keep ahead of the cost of the water. It was recommended that the water be increased another 15%.

Parent moved to increase the water rate 15% for the July billing. Greeder seconded the motion and the motion passed.

RENTAL LICENSE

Scott passed out a new rental license for review by the Council. The ordinance will be voted on at the July meeting.

NOISE ORDINANCE

Scott reviewed the state noise ordinances and discovered the ordinances cover many areas. He will do some more research for the July meeting.

AFFIDAVIT FOR HANGER ROOM MET COUNCIL

The Council suggested talking with the previous owner before submitting the affidavit for the Hanger Room. After the previous owners are notified, Scott will draft an affidavit requiring the Mayor's signature.

MEMORIAL FOR FAYE

Rick and the Mayor will look for a good spot to plant a tree in the park to remember Faye in the next few weeks.

SHERIFF'S CONTRACT

The mayor explained the existing police contract to the Council and reviewed the cost and savings that will take place when a new contract is signed.

The contract is still in use and the Sheriff is working with the Cities until a new one can be drafted.

RICK REPORT

The hydrants were flushed, grass has been mowed and the parks are in use at the present time. The vandalism has seemed to stop and the parks are running smoothly.

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 9:47 p.m. Greeder seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Victoria R. Keating
Clerk-Treasurer