

**CITY OF WILLERNIE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 19, 2015**

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

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Miller moved to approve the agenda as presented, Bohnen seconded the motion and the agenda was approved.

MINUTES OF THE JULY MEETING

Bohnen moved to approve the July, 2015 minutes as pre-read, Baglio seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at the August meeting.

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

The Washington County Officers did not attend the August City Council Meeting.

SUZANNE TORSETH FOSTER – APPROVAL OF PROSECUTION RESOLUTION

Ms. Foster explained that the process for obtaining information in cases that are being prosecuted are done on the internet. The bureau has asked for another document to approve her so she needs an amended joint power agreement from the Council in order to comply with the BCA regulations. The cost for the connection on the internet is \$100 and \$15 a month that will be paid by the law firm.

A motion to approve the resolution to sign a joint powers agreement allowing Ms. Foster access to the e-charging on criminal cases for the City was made by Parent. Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed.

APPROVAL OF THE 2016 BUDGET

A motion to approve the 2016 budget with a 4% levy increase and a 3% salary increase for staff was made by Baglio. Warren seconded the motion and the budget was approved.

INCREASE IN WATER RATES

The options for the City concerning the water rates are as follows-do not raise the water at present, add \$25 a quarter for meter charges, or charge \$25 a quarter plus the \$14 a household that the City is currently paying to Mahtomedi.

A motion to charge the \$25 a quarter beginning in October was made by Miller. Warren seconded the motion and the motion passed.

INSURANCE WAIVER

A motion to not waive the liability insurance for the City was made by Warren. Baglio seconded the motion and the motion passed.

CHICKEN ORDINANCE

Miller moved to table the chicken ordinance until the September meeting, Warren seconded the motion and the motion passed.

420 PADDINGTON

Baglio discussed 420 Paddington with Sam Tachney, the current owner, and, he is planning on moving forward on the demolition of the property before winter. Baglio also explained that the grass and outside property must be maintained before and during the demolition. Mr. Tachney agreed to address the problems with this property in the near future.

Baglio will contact Mr. Tachney again and enforce the removal of the property and in the meantime the Council authorized Scott to look into the issue and check on the legal recommendations that can be made to move forward on the demolition of the property.

GRANTS

Miller has an appointment with Matt Dean next Monday to discuss possible grants for the City. He will report the meeting to the Council in September.

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Parent thanked Baglio, Warren and Miller for all the work they did at the golf tournament. Next year the tournament will take place on August 6.

The City earned \$1949.69 on the tournament and after three years enough money has been earned to pay for one new fire hydrant in the spring of 2016.

Miller is sending thank you notes to the business owners for the donations and support given to the tournament.

RICK REPORT

The catch basin had some issues that have been resolved, the oak tree has been taken down, however, the stump needs to be ground so a new tree can be planted.

The leaf vac will be out in October depending on the weather and usually is out until November 1st.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Baglio moved to approve the bills, Bohnen seconded the motion and the bills were approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Bohnen moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 p.m. Baglio seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Victoria R. Keating
Clerk-Treasurer