

**CITY OF WILLERNIE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 15, 2017**

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

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY, 2017 MEETING

Baglio moved to accept the January minutes as pre-read, Miller seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at the January meeting.

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

The Washington County Officer's did not attend the January meeting.

STAN KARWSKI

Mr. Karwski introduced himself to the Council as the Washington County Commissioner representing this area. He would like the Council to contact him with any needs for the City that the County could help obtain.

The Mayor explained the plans for Stillwater Road and the need for grants to help the City pay for the construction that will be necessary during the process.

Mr. Karwski also wanted the Council to be aware of the openings on the Advisory Board if anyone in the City is interested in participating in at this level.

WASHINGTON COUNTY/STILLWATER ROAD PROJECT

Kevin Peterson introduced himself as the leader on the County 12 project, Wildwood Road, Mahtomedi Avenue to County 9 or Jamaca Ave. N. Mr. Peterson presented a packet of information that he discussed with the Council.

There is 1.75 miles for a pedestrian crossing that is inadequate and the congestion on Stillwater Road at the beginning of school and the close is a real problem for the traffic flow in this area.

The study was started in November of 2016 and the construction of a light at the Middle School entrance will begin in the summer of 2017. The summer of 2019 the first phase of construction will begin and in 2021 the second phase of construction begins. The priority of the phases is still under discussion.

The Council asked Mr. Peterson to make sure Willernie does not lose parking on Stillwater Road since the parking is already an issue. The county is gathering information and requesting suggestions on the corridor so Mr. Peterson will pass this information along and was grateful for the suggestion.

MATS LUDWIG

Mr. Ludwig is concerned about the readings on his water meter since the amount of water usage has increased during the past two quarters.

Rick explained that the meter usually doesn't read high and the meters do not correct themselves, which indicates there was a leak in the building.

Mr. Ludwig claims that no toilets or facets are leaking but the building does have three residential tenants and two offices.

The Mayor explained that the water bill for this building is always delinquent and due to the delinquency there is a fine that continues to add a large sum of money to the bill.

Rick checked the inside and outside meter on the building and had Mats shut the water off to double check the process. The meters were also checked during the water main break. Everything was working as it should be when it was checked.

The Council feels that helping Mr. Ludwig with billing increments is necessary in case the meter was malfunctioning during the two quarters. Due to this information a motion to have Mr. Ludwig pay his bill in increments with the knowledge that the bill must be

paid in full by March 30, 2017 and every quarter must be paid in full within the thirty days or the agreement is null and void was made by Bohnen. Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed.

GRANTS

Parent explained that Miller should check on grants through the Minnesota Public Facility Authority.

Miller had a meeting with Senator Wiger's assistant Nancy Livingston and gave her the pictures and list of items that need attention in the City. Ms. Livingston will look for a co-sponsor to draft a bill that hopefully will help Willernie obtain some funds through grants.

RESOLUTION FOR COMP PLAN GRANT

Mayor Parent read the resolution to allow the City of Willernie to apply for a grant that will help fund the Comp Plan. Miller moved to approve the resolution, Warren seconded the motion and the resolution passed.

RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF THE CITY OF WILLERNIE'S PROSECUTION INFORMATION FROM BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Scott asked the council to approve the resolution to allow the prosecution attorney to obtain information from the Bureau of Investigation.

Baglio moved to approve the resolution, Warren seconded the motion and the motion passed

YARDS IN VIOLATION OF ORDINANCES

Hanson's have cleaned up the yard and are still working on it. Loftis is working on his area, Smaltz has also removed much of the construction material and Baglio will double check on the other houses in question before the next meeting.

RICK REPORT

The pot holes will be filled as soon as the asphalt is available. The pump froze and a new compressor was installed.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

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

ADJOURNMENT

Bohnen moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 p.m. Miller seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Victoria R. Keating
Clerk-Treasurer