

**CITY OF WILLERNIE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 17, 2019**

PRESENT: Parent, Miller, Warren, Baglio, Attorney-Susannah Torseth, Maintenance Superintendent-Rick Paulson and Clerk-Vickie Keating.

ABSENT: Soderlund.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

MINUTES OF THE MARCH MEETING

Baglio moved to approve the March 2019 minutes as pre-read, Miller seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No residents were present for public comments at the April meeting.

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

The Washington County Officers did not attend the April meeting.

CHRIS COSGROVE

Mr. Cosgrove is purchasing the property from Bill Bedell and Ken Lohr located behind the Flame Bar for parking. The lot is currently zoned residential and would need to be rezoned to commercial for use as a parking lot.

The Council has no objections to the rezoning if the paperwork is completed and submitted with a deposit of \$400, a notice is sent to Rice Creek Watershed and then a public hearing will be set.

FLAGS FOR FIRE HYDRANTS

The fire hydrants were covered in snow during the winter due to the deep snow and for the safety of the citizens in Willernie these hydrants need to be marked year-round. There are 29 hydrants in the City requiring flags.

Parent moved to purchase flags for the fire hydrants in the City, Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed.

CONTRACT FOR USE OF PARK DURING ROAD CONSTRUCTION ON 12

Susannah submitted the contract for the use of the park during road construction to Kevin Peterson, at the county and has not received a response as of this date.

There will be a special meeting on April 23 to discuss the bids on County 12 which has been posted as required.

SIMPSON PROPERTY

The survey on the Simpson property is complete.

Parent moved to adopt Resolution 19-02 which accepts the gift of the property from the Simpsons to the City. Miller seconded the motion and the Resolution was adopted.

YARDS IN VIOLATION

Jeff Tschetter installed a fence without a permit on City property that needs to be removed. An inspection report will be filled out by Jack and sent to Mr. Tschetter explaining the fence violations before legal action is taken.

Inspections on the yards in town will be done when the weather improves.

GRANTS

Miller is meeting with the Metropolitan Council to discuss grants suitable for City needs.

RICK REPORT

Rick presented two bids for the door that needs to be replaced at City Hall. The Council reviewed the bids and at Rick's recommendation chose the most inexpensive door.

Baglio moved to accept Newlin Constructions bid on the door at City Hall, Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Rick suggested renting a chipper this year for at least 4 hours in the spring to clean up the brush in the park. The U-turn signs on Wildwood Road will not be painted this year due to construction, nine stop signs were ordered to replace the old ones and the leaf vac will be out as soon as the weather permits.

TIM JAWOR

Mr. Jawor has a tenant that needs to be evicted due to lack of payment on the rent and utilities. Mr. Jawor asked to have the water turned off on the rentals if they are behind on the quarterly utility bills.

This tenant has filed for bankruptcy, so she is protected by the filing. Susannah will research the bankruptcy laws and report back on the legalities of turning the water off on this tenant.

It was suggested that if the landlord requires notification of the late utilities, there should be a clause in the lease to protect the privacy of the renter.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

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

ADJOURNMENT

Baglio moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. Miller seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Victoria R. Keating
Clerk-Treasurer