

**CITY OF WILLERNIE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 16, 2019**

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

AGENDA: Under New Business Roma and Deputy Mayor were added to the agenda. After the additions were made Miller moved to approve the agenda, Siver seconded the motion and the agenda was approved.

MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 2019 MEETING

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at the October meeting.

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

The Washington County Officers did not attend the October meeting.

ROMA – BRIAN PILRAIN

Brian explained that when the road closed, they turned the patio into a beer garden with a stage. The music caused some noise problems, but they stopped the music at 10:00 p.m. instead of 11 and that took care of the complaints.

There have been two structures built outside, the counter bar with a trellis over the top of the patio to block the sun which turned into a roof. Due to the size of the structure and because it is connected to the building it needs footings for more support. Brian is asking the Council if he can pour the footings on this property due to soil reports.

Jack Kramer, building inspector, will check the reports on the ground petroleum, they do need another building permit for the footings and must follow all state and city codes.

There is also a shed that fits in one parking space – the size is in question. The Council supports Brian’s suggestions as long as the structure and the shed size must meet City codes, and a permit is obtained after the City Inspector reviews the application to make sure all construction is in compliance with City and State codes.

MIKE HENRY

Mike Henry purchased 312 Chippenham and is asking the Council if he can rezone it into a four plex. The house is 9300 square feet and too large for a single-family dwelling.

There is a three-car garage and plenty of parking if there are four residents in this house.

The Mayor explained that the City is currently reviewing the number of rentals in the City so they cannot give Mike a firm answer at this time.

EMILY STRANGL

Emily informed the Council that Mr. Tschetter is not living in the house on Robert Street and he is considering renting the property.

The road behind the Tschetter property has not been vacated and is a platted road. Numerous residents have built structures on this road.

If the City decides to vacate the road the residents can leave the structures on the property, if the road is not vacated all the structures will need to be removed.

Several of the residents explained that they have fencing on this road to keep the dogs in the yard.

The Council will need to decide about the vacation of the road in question. If the City vacates the road the property goes to the residents, if the City does not vacate the road all the illegal fences must be removed.

WILLERNIE NAME CHANGE

Terry Buckley furnished some information on the City of Willernie’s name. The Council will review the information.

DEPUTY MAYOR

A motion to appoint Miller as the deputy mayor was made by Soderlund, Baglio seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Baglio moved to have Miller be the third person to sign the checks in the absence of the Mayor. Soderlund seconded the motion and the motion passed with Miller abstaining from the vote.

YARDS IN VIOLATION OF ORDINANCES

Tschetter was tabled until the next meeting.

Tveit violation was mailed September 23, 2019.

A motion to issue a Notice of Ordinance Violation to the owners of 203 Chatham (Douglas Tveit and Beryl Palmer) was made by Miller, seconded by Soderlund and the motion passed.

LETTER TO RESIDENTS

There is a specific statute that allows cities to charge for water and storm sewers. Susannah and Laurann are still working on the wording for this letter.

GRANTS

There should be some word in February from the legislature on granting. Willernie is still up for the bonding bill and FEMA has a program for disaster preparedness that Miller is working on obtaining for the City.

RICK REPORT

The air compressor went out in the lift station and has been replaced and the dock is coming out of the water next week. Warner Road will open in front of the businesses in the next few days but the area in front of Mahtomedi City Hall and the library is still closed.

The leaf vac has been out, but it has been too wet to rake so the leaf vac will be out next week, weather permitting.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Parent moved to approve the bills, Siver seconded the motion and the bills were approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Soderlund moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 p.m., Baglio seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted.

Victoria R. Keating
Clerk-Treasurer