

**CITY OF WILLERNIE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 20, 2025**

PRESENT: Baglio, Siver, Soderlund, Cook, De Jong, Attorney-Tori Kelm, consultant-Gary Brown, Maintenance Supervisor-Ken Johnson and Clerk-Vickie Keating.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Soderlund moved to approve the agenda, Siver seconded the motion and the agenda was approved.

APPROVAL OF JULY 2025 MINUTES

Soderlund moved to approve the July minutes as pre-read, Siver seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

PUBLIC HEARING ON APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCES

The council meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m. to open the public hearing on the amendment to ordinance 1004.130 titled administrative citations and civil penalties.

Title 110 and Ordinance 1004.130 are being amended.

There were no comments at the public hearing on the ordinance amendment.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING RESUMED AT 7:05 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at the August meeting.

WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF

There was not significant activity in Willernie during August.

Mayor Baglio explained the parking at the condo and beach area so that no tickets would be issued during the paving of the condo parking lot.

APPROVAL OF THE 2026 BUDGET

Baglio moved to approve the 2026 budget with a 3.5 increase in the levy and a 3.5 increase for the staff. Soderlund seconded the motion and the motion passed.

APPROVAL OF UTILITY PERMIT

Soderlund moved to approve the permit for Xcel to change the pole at 406 Paddington under the condition that the time of the work is after school has started and the buses have already been through the city. The price of the permit will be \$200, and they have 4 days to complete the buried lines detour. De Jong seconded the motion.

De Jong will contact Xcel to discuss the terms of the permit.

KEN REPORT

Ken received a bid to fix the drain as decided with the amount of money set aside by the bank.

De Jong would like to renegotiate with the bank on the amount of funds available.

Soderlund moved to accept the bid and report this amount to the bank. Baglio seconded the motion and the motion passed with De Jong voting against the motion.

RESOLUTION 07 TO APPOINT RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY

A motion to approve Resolution 07 to appoint responsible authority and assign duties was made by Soderlund. Siver seconded the motion and the motion passed.

RESOLUTION 08 TO MODIFY ORDINANCE TITLE 110 AND ORDINANCE 1004.130

A motion to approve Resolution 08 to modify ordinance title 110 and ordinance 1004.130 was made by Baglio. Cook seconded the motion and the motion passed.

RESOLUTION 09 APPOINTING KEN JOHNSON AS ZONING ENFORCER

A motion to approve Resolution 09 to appoint Ken Johnson as the zoning officer and present a contract next month was made by Soderlund. De Jong seconded the motion and the motion passed.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING OR BEACH PARKING LOT

Tori explained the memorandum and the officer has been notified about parking at the beach.

Soderlund moved to approve the memorandum for two weeks in September allowing the dumpster on the beach parking lot. Baglio seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Baglio will take pictures and talk to Cindy about plywood to protect the beach parking lot.

WILLERNIE UPDATE

Siver reported on the ice cream social and was pleased with the positive feedback on the event. There was a good crowd at the social, everyone seemed to enjoy the evening.

The tree for Barb Parent will be planted in Millner Park during September. If anyone has a recommendation on the placement of the tree, please contact Baglio.

The gambling reports are inconsistent with the amount of money received by the Bayport Legion. De Jong will contact the Legion and discuss the questions with Kelly who is the Legion representative.

De Jong suggested drafting a letter about tree removal in the city. There are several trees that need to be removed so possibly Woodchuck would work with the residents at a discounted rate. Ken explained the trees are usually priced on an individual basis and it depends on the location and size of the tree.

There is some unlawful parking, inoperable motor vehicles and refuse in the area that will be addressed if the residents do not move it.

There are 39 rentals in Willernie. Some have code violations concerning basic safety that should be addressed with the landlords. New regulations and corrections to the ordinance will be reviewed in the future.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

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

ADJOURNMENT

Soderlund moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m. Cook seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Victoria R. Keating
Clerk-Treasurer