

**CITY OF WILLERNIE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 15, 2025**

PRESENT: Baglio, Soderlund, Siver, Cook, De Jong, Attorney-Tori Kelm, Resident-Kathy Holste, Maintenance Superintendent-Ken Johnson and Clerk-Vickie Keating.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Bulletin Board and emergency vehicle access was added under Ken Report. After the additions were made to the agenda, Soderlund moved to accept the agenda, Siver seconded the motion and the motion passed.

APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 2025 MINUTES

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at the September meeting.

WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF

Lauryn Brindley is the new officer in Mahtomedi and Willernie.

The council introduced themselves to Lauryn and welcomed her to the area.

Lauryn explained that the area is quiet right now – no major concerns have arisen

The council explained they are working with the rentals and there are several drivers that do not observe the stop signs in the city. De Jong also is concerned with the minibikes and the safety of pedestrians and riders. Lauryn advised the council to call the non-emergency number to the sheriff's office if concerns arise in the city.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT REVIEW

Baglio explained that the special assessment of \$75.00 ends December 31, 2025, so the residents have one more water cycle with the assessment on the bill. The council received spread sheets showing the increases in water since 2018.

Kathy Holste asked the council to remove the \$75.00 and the council explained the assessment will be reviewed in November or December. The price of water per 100 cubic feet will increase due to the rise in the cities cost of water.

Kathy thanked the council for explaining the assessment and appreciated the council's understanding about the removal of the \$75.00.

KEN REPORT

Baglio asked Ken to repair or replace the bulletin board. The current one leaks and is hard to open and close. Ken will measure the area and build or order a new one.

Bristol Place had some plow damage last year on the curbing so the residents should mark the area with the available markers. Ken will check on the areas and put markers in place to guide the driver. There should be markers on Clyde, Donegal, Bristol and McCracken and any other areas that might be a problem.

The new fire chief has asked Willernie to review the roads, making sure emergency vehicles have access to the houses. Cars should not be parked on the streets, and the residents need to be aware of the safety of residents when parking vehicles in Willernie.

The area by 311 Chippenham should be reviewed for access.

WILLERNIE UPDATE

Baglio asked the council to review the rental ordinance information, send suggestions to her, Soderlund or Gary, and then she will review the changes with Tori before the November meeting.

Baglio has found a recycler for old mowers, weed eaters, etc. Council members can contact Baglio or the clerk to submit items for recycling.

De Jong had a conversation with the gambling board and was given guidance on the language for the gambling documents. There have been some issues with the formula the gambling sites were using so the state is reviewing the machinery and hopefully will solve the problem.

De Jong will keep the council up to date on the gambling formulas and the actions being taken by the state. De Jong will also draft a letter to have on file requesting donations from the Legion.

De Jong drafted a letter concerning trees on private property that might need to be removed. If a tree company is hired to take 10 or more trees down the cost is lower for everyone. De Jong asked the council to review the letter before it is sent out to residents.

A motion to have the letter sent out with revisions was made by Baglio. Soderlund seconded the motion and the motion passed.

The letter will be sent out after the revisions are made by the council in November.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Soderlund moved to approve the bills. Siver seconded the motion and the motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Soderlund moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m. Baglio seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Victoria R. Keating
Clerk-Treasurer