

Wellston City Council Meeting Minutes

March 2nd, 2017

Meeting was called to order by Council President Pro Tem Tom Clark by asking Council and others in attendance to stand for the Pledge to the Flag. He then called for the roll call.

Councilmen answering the roll call included Fred Myers, Keith Woolum, Tom Clark, Roaby Browning, Shane Stevens, Nick Rupert, and Doug Wright. City Officials that were present included Law Director Shannon Weber, and Auditor Chris Dupree. Representing the Police Department was Officer Todd Shong. Representing the Fire Department was Fire Chief Ryan Pelletier.

Motion to approve the meeting minutes from the February 2nd, 2017 meeting was made by Councilman Browning, second by Councilman Woolum, and unanimously approved by all.

Legislation:

Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2017-04-An Ordinance establishing a policy for indigent burials. Council President Pro Tem Clark asked Council if they had any questions or comments on Ordinance No. 2017-04. No comments were made.

Second Reading of Resolution No. 2017-05-A Resolution authorizing the Mayor or the City of Wellston to execute a memorandum of understanding with the Village of Middleport, Ohio related to prisoner housing. Council President Pro Tem Clark asked Council if they had any questions or comments on Resolution No. 2017-05. No comments were made.

Council President Pro Tem Clark stated that on this next Ordinance, it needs to be an emergency because an employee will not be able to get his buyout for his retirement.

Motion to make the next Ordinance an emergency was made by Councilman Wright, second by Councilman Browning, and unanimously approved by all.

First Reading of Ordinance No. 2017-06-An Ordinance authorizing the City of Wellston to administer an early retirement incentive plan (ERI) to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System for full time employees of the City of Wellston who are members of the Ohio Civil Service Employees Association, Chapter 4010. Council President Pro Tem Clark asked Council if they had any questions or comments on Ordinance No. 2017-06. No comments were made.

Motion to adopt and pass Ordinance No. 2017-06 was made by Councilman Wright, second by Councilman Woolum, and unanimously approved by all.

First Reading of Resolution No. 2017-07- A Resolution authorizing the President of Council and the City Auditor to execute an agreement between the City of Wellston, Ohio and the Local Government Services Section of the office of the Auditor of State. Council President Pro Tem Clark asked Council if they had any questions or comments on Resolution No. 2017-07. No comments were made.

First Reading of Resolution No. 2017-08- A Resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Wellston to execute contract for Housing Prisoners in the Washington County Jail. Council President Pro Tem Clark asked Council if they had any questions or comments on Resolution No. 2017-08. No comments were made.

Old Business:

Councilman Stevens stated that they are still working on the piece of Legislation that we needed for the utilities. Law Director Weber said that they need to get the appropriate people in a meeting because the percentages of the distribution of the income in the utility accounts were not as clearly spelled out. We need to get the percentages.

Law Director Report:

Law Director Weber discussed how Mr. Jacubec asked for an update on the Revolving Loan Fund. Of all of our open loans, they are all making regular payments except for one. The one loan that is not making current payments, I am going to have to get with Clyde and see how to proceed with the one loan that is not making payments. In the one case of the one not making payments, we have a mortgage on the property and it is very secured by the amount of value of the property in case something was to happen there. The Service Director has asked me to prepare a Resolution so that the City can enter into the State bidding on salt. President of Council had asked me to meet with the Service Director to continue to try to improve the grass Ordinance. At the last meeting, it had been discussed to try to come up with ideas so that the Fireworks Festival can be held for the 4th of July.

Fire Report:

Fire Chief Pelletier discussed code enforcement. He said he did not want to say it was a slow process, but is just trying to get everybody on the same page. Code enforcement has been to budget, safety, and to Administration and we are just trying to formulate it all together. He met with the Service Director two weeks ago and we are trying to get it formulated on his end as to what do we want out of code enforcement. He

stated it has been a bad month for them because they have had a lot of fires and a lot of water rescue over the past couple weeks. He has done a few building permits with it being February.

Motion to adjourn at 7:12 P.M was made by Councilman Browning, second by Councilman Rupert, and unanimously approved by all.

Council Clerk

Amy L. Skeens

Council President

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