

## Wellston City Council Meeting Minutes

July 20th, 2017

Meeting was called to order by Council President Chris Brenner by asking Council and others in attendance to stand to the Pledge to the Flag. He then called for the roll call.

Councilmen answering the roll call included Fred Myers, Keith Woolum, Tom Clark, Shane Stevens, Nick Rupert, and Doug Wright. Absent was Councilman Roaby Browning. City Officials that were present included Mayor Connie Pelletier, Service Director Bill Shumate, Law Director Shannon Weber, Engineer Tim Wojdacz, and Auditor Chris Dupree. Representing the Police Department was Police Chief Tim Ackley.

Motion to approve the absence of Councilman Roaby Browning from the July 20th, 2017 meeting was made by Councilman Stevens, second by Councilman Woolum, and unanimously approved by all.

### Public Comment:

John Stabler, who is the new chair for the planning and zoning commission stated they are going to meet the 3rd Monday of the month at 9:30 A.M. We are looking into several issues past and present that we are trying to correct. He stated we are here for the citizens and we work straight from the code. He told Council if they had any questions to let him know. Mayor Pelletier thanked George Jacobec for all the time and years that he put in on the zoning chair. He did a great job.

Tami Phillips, 825 South Michigan Avenue stated part of the qualifications for getting a grant are going door to door getting surveys and she did that. In Feb or March of 2016, she came with what residents of the area asked to be done for the City, part of that was a code enforcer and they wanted there areas cleaned up. There are several houses where the vegetation is grown up and the windows are boarded up. She asked where we are on that. Councilman Rupert stated there have been steps taken as far as the code enforcer. He stated he got a text out today to a gentlemen that we have been talking about the code enforcement too. From what I understand he is working on what it will cost for the City to pay him to do it. This gentlemen is very fit for the job. It is not fair to him to not get a price for him to move forward with this.

Motion to amend the agenda to add Ordinance No. 2017-27 was made by Councilman Wright, second by Councilman Clark, and unanimously approved by all.

### Legislation:

Law Director Weber stated the Fire Levy is going to be on the ballot, but we have to expand the purpose

Motion to approve the July 13th, 2017 meeting minutes was made by Councilman Clark, second by Councilman Wright, and unanimously approved by all.

First Reading of Resolution No. 2017-27-A Resolution directing the Clerk to submit to the Board of Elections the issue of the placement of renewal levy for the operation and maintenance of the Fire Department for the period of (5) five years at the rate of 1.0 mills and declaring an emergency.

Motion to suspend rules was made by Councilman Wright, second by Councilman Rupert, and unanimously approved by all.

Motion to adopt and pass Resolution No. 2017-27 was made by Councilman Wright, second by Councilman Woolum, and unanimously approved by all.

Second Reading of Resolution No. 2017-32- A Resolution of the Legislative authority of the City of Wellston authorizing the Mayor to enter into indigent defense contract with the Jackson County Commissioners so as to provide legal counsel to indigent persons charged with the Wellston Municipal Code for the second half of 2017 in an amount of \$9,979.33. Council President Brenner asked Council if they had any questions or comments on Resolution No. 2017-32. No comments were made.

First Reading of Ordinance No. 2017-33-An Ordinance amending Ordinance Section 29.03 Private Swimming Pools and Section 29-04-01 Residential Fences and/or hedges, Definitions, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wellston. Council President Brenner asked Council if they had any questions or comments on Ordinance No. 2017-33. No comments were made.

Mayor Pelletier stated that there needed to be an amendment to Resolution No. 2017-33. On the last paragraph where it says a zoning permit shall be required, that should be a building permit shall be required. It needs to be changed.

Motion to change zoning permit to building permit in Resolution No. 2017-33 was made by Councilman Woolum, second by Councilman Clark, and unanimously approved by all.

Mayor:

Mayor Pelletier stated she is hoping as many as we can be there tomorrow at 1:30 at the Depot. The State Auditor will be there will several state officials.

Service Director Shumate stated that we have made it to a few alleys and have had the

durapatcher out. We are still hotmixing and mowing grass.

Auditor Dupree stated he has the line item adjustments.

Motion to approve the line item adjustments was made by Councilman Woolum, second by Councilman Stevens, and unanimously approved by all.

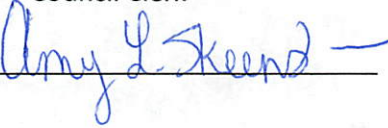
Motion to approve the Police Reports was made by Councilman Rupert, second by Councilman Clark, and unanimously approved by all.

Motion to enter into executive session at 7:33 P.M., to discuss possible litigation with no action to be taken was made by Councilman Rupert, second by Councilman Stevens, and unanimously approved by all.

Motion to leave executive session at 7:55 P.M., was made by Councilman Rupert, second by Councilman Woolum, and unanimously approved by all.

Motion to adjourn at 7:55 P.M., was made by Councilman Rupert, second by Councilman Woolum, and unanimously approved by all.

Council Clerk

  
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Council President

  
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