

Wellston City Council Meeting Minutes

November 16th, 2017

Meeting was called to order by Council President Chris Brenner 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, Nick Rupert, and Doug Wright. Absent were Councilmen Roaby Browning and Shane Stevens. City Officials that were present included Mayor Connie Pelletier, Law Director Randy Dupree, Engineer Tim Wojdacz, and Auditor Chris Dupree. Representing the Police Department was Police Chief Tim Ackley. Representing the Fire Department was Fire Chief Ryan Pelletier.

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

Legislation:

First Reading of Ordinance No. 2017-40-An Ordinance approving additional appropriations in the garbage fund and declaring an emergency. There were not enough Councilmen to do an emergency so it was a 1st Reading.

First Reading of Ordinance No. 2017-41-An Ordinance by the Council of the City of Wellston, Ohio to purchase one (1) 2018 Spartan/Smeal rescue pumper through the Ohio State Cooperative Purchasing Program for an amount not to exceed five hundred sixty five thousand dollars (565,000.00), authorizing the Mayor and or Safety/Service Director to seek financing proposals, and declaring an emergency. There were not enough Councilman to do an emergency so it was a 1st Reading.

First Reading of Ordinance No. 2014-42- An Ordinance by the Council of the City of Wellston, Ohio adopting the Jackson County Jurisdictional Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, and declaring an emergency. There were not enough Councilmen to do an emergency so it was a 1st reading.

First Reading of Ordinance No. 2017-43- An Ordinance of the Legislative Authority of the City of Wellston, Ohio approving the annual appropriations for the fiscal year year beginning January 1, 2018 and ending December 31, 2018. Councilman Rupert stated they have all met a total of three times working on the budget. We unanimously passed the budget to bring it to Council for the 2018 budget. This one will not be able to take affect until 2020, but in the Mayor's office they never got any reimbursement back for the telephone usage and we cannot do it this term, but it can be done for the next term. Mr. Dupree is going to bring us some Legislation in 2018. Councilman Rupert discussed some changed on the budget.

Councilman Clark stated a fire truck should be replaced every 25 years. We are going to put money in the bank and we will be able to buy the truck. It will keep us to where the rotation in our fire trucks will be up-to-date where they should be taken out of service when its time and put new ones in service.

Councilman Rupert stated there are some things being done on code enforcement. He stated the gentlemen is working on it. Councilman Clark stated code enforcement will be a part time job, not full time.

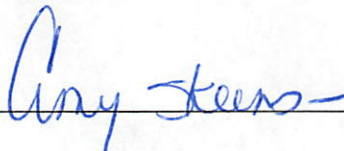
Councilman Clark stated we also put in some money or sidewalk repairs that we want to start working on.

Fire Chief Pelletier stated ISO does not recognize an engine after it is 25 years old. When they rate you

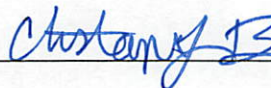
every 5 years, they want to see what the age of your equipment is. If it is older than 25 years, your rating goes down. He is trying to figure out how to rotate these trucks to keep them in date. He does not want all of them to age out and have to purchase all new ones at once. So we do not have to continue to do this every five years, we want to purchase an engine rescue. This planning started in 2012. We found two companies. One was cheaper than the other. Everything is State purchasing now. We have worked diligently to get a good interest rate. The money is coming from sales tax fund. I got the approval from the Mayor and Service Director in October. Chris Dupree approved it in the first of November. It was passed in Finance on November the 6th. We are going to replace the 2003 rescue truck that we have. We are not going to sell that truck. We are going to move it over to the hanger to pull our equipment with.

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

Motion to adjourn at 7:29 P.M., was made by Councilman Rupert, second by Councilman Woolum, and unanimously approved by all.



Council Clerk



Council President