

Wellston City Council

Meeting Minutes

June 2, 2022

Meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by President Rick Hudson by asking Council and others in attendance to stand for the Pledge. He then called for the roll call.

Councilpersons answering the roll call included: Angela Spangler, Matti Vance, Lynley Carey, Teresa Lemaster, Fred Duby, and Roaby Browning.

Mayor Hudson opened the meeting by reading a Proclamation for Community Health Worker Day, which will be celebrated on June 6.

Public Comments- none (Dorothy Muncy was a no-show)

Minutes- A Motion to approve the minutes of the May 18 meeting was made by Lemaster, seconded by Spangler, and approved by all in attendance.

Correspondence- none

Committees:

Finance- nothing to report, but a meeting will be held to discuss Bed Tax and Business Licensing

Health & Safety- LeMaster- a meeting to discuss stray cats. Many people spoke on the topic. Lemaster plans to host another meeting before the June 16, 2022 Council Meeting.

Public Service- Browning- none

Planning- Carey- none

Community Action- Browning- money is available to assist with water bills.

Old Business- none

New Business- none

Legislation:

- Third Reading of Resolution No. 2022-28- A Resolution by the Council of the City of Wellston, Ohio to approve the appointment of David McWilliams by the Mayor to the Wellston Revolving Loan Fund Board.
Sponsor: Lemaster
A Motion to Adopt and Pass was made by Spangler, seconded by Browning, and approved by all in attendance.

- Third Reading of Resolution No. 2022-28- A Resolution by the Council of the City of Wellston, Ohio to approve the appointment of Peggy Barber by the Mayor to the Wellston Revolving Loan Fund Board.
Sponsor: Spangler
A Motion to Adopt and Pass was made by Browning, seconded by Lemaster, and approved by all in attendance.
- Second Reading of Resolution No. 2022-30- A Resolution supporting the Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission's 2022 Appalachian Regional Commission's Power Initiative Grant Application.
Sponsor: Spangler
Discussion: This will extend the current Bike Path to Vinton County
- Second Reading of Resolution No. 2022-31- A Resolution approving additional appropriations in the Garbage Fund.
Sponsor: Browning
Discussion:
- Second Reading of Resolution No. 2022-32- A Resolution approving additional appropriations in the Street Fund.
Sponsor: Spangler
Discussion: Repaving Lookout Drive

Mayor-

10th Street and a section of 4th Street has been paved; the pavers are also heading to Second Street. The waterlines on 2nd Street have been completed. Crews are now heading to the WinMac subdivision to address an ongoing drainage issue. The back wall of the former King's Pool Hall collapsed, so the City has been forced to close Second Street from Ohio Avenue to Pennsylvania Avenue. This building is one of three in Wellston set to be demolished by the County Land Bank; unfortunately, if a building is razed before grant money has been received, the City will most likely not be reimbursed for it. The other two Land Bank demolitions are the Louvee and Coops Bar. Two other buildings in the downtown area are in a very bad state and the Mayor plans to work with Code Enforcement to have the owner fix the buildings or sell them to someone who will. The City of Wellston has also received \$100,000 out of the State Capital Grant to work on the new campgrounds.

Service Director

The new Infrastructure Crew has ran over 2,100 feet of 6-inch line, installed 4 hydrants, and 28 taps. The crew has discovered many pieces of galvanized pipe that had completely rotted away. He stressed that these new lines are a great improvement on the neighborhoods. This route saw fixed sewer and sanitary sewer lines and was repaved as well. Drainage was added to Second Street to keep water from flowing down the hill, onto the roadway. Dura-patching has been completed from Pennsylvania to Maine. The Street Department has completed 25 tons of asphalt repair. The Water Department has fixed some culverts on Lake Road, along with some lift station repairs. The Depot Project will be starting soon. Waterline replacement on New York Avenue is currently getting pressurized, which will lead to the Broadway end of the

project getting started soon.

Law Director- none

Auditor- Beatty gave an update on Ordinance 2022-21 and stated that the credit card limits have been increased. She also says to expect some line-item adjustments to account for the rise in fuel and some training expenditures. The first half of the property taxes has been received from the County. A Motion to Accept the Auditor's Reports was made by Spangler, seconded by Browning, and approved by all in attendance.

City Clerk's Reports- none

Treasurer Report- none

Fire- none

Zoning- none

Police- There was a multi-agency "Safety Effort" in Wellston on Friday, May 27th- agencies included: Jackson Police Department, Sheriff's Office, and the State Ohio patrol. Seventy-seven traffic stops were made. The Chief thanked everyone for their combined efforts.

A motion to adjourn was made by Vance, seconded by Lemaster, and approved by all in attendance at 7:22 p.m.


Council Clerk


Council President