

# Wellston City Council

## Meeting Minutes

### December 1, 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; Fred Duby; Lynley Carey; Teresa Lemaster; and Walter Norris. Matti Vance and Roaby Browning were absent.

**Public Comments-** none

**Minutes-** All members present voted to approve the minutes of the November 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Correspondence-** none

**Committees:**

**Finance-** Spangler- none

**Health & Safety-** Lemaster- none

**Public Service-** Browning- none

**Planning-** Carey- none

**Community Action-** Browning- none

**Recreation-** Norris- none

**Old Business-** none

**New Business-** Lemaster spoke of the gas line work being performed on Vermont Avenue and C Street. She was concerned that emergency personnel would not be able to reach those in need of services due to the work being performed, i.e., wet cement. Mayor Hudson and Service Director Brenner assured her that emergency personnel would still assist those in need and that the project should be wrapping up in the next few days.

**Legislation**

- Third Reading of Ordinance No. 2022-60- An Ordinance by the City of Wellston Legislative Authority amending Title XI and establishing Chapter 117 of the Wellston Code.  
Sponsor: Vance  
Discussion: Food Trucks  
A Motion to Adopt and Pass was made by Spangler, seconded by Lemaster, and approved by all in attendance.

- Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2022-64- An Ordinance of the Legislative Authority of the City of Wellston, Ohio, approving Annual Appropriations for the Fiscal Year beginning January 1, 2023, and ending December 31, 2023.  
Sponsor: Spangler  
Discussion: Annual Budget
- First Reading of Resolution No. 2022-65- A Resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Wellston to submit an application to participate in the Ohio Regional Valley Development Commission's (OVRDC) 2022 Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) and to execute contracts as required and declaring an emergency.  
Sponsor: Duby  
Discussion: This will assist in paying the design and engineering costs for the Ohio Avenue Project. DLZ is handling this grant application as they say it pairs nicely with the ODOT and TAPS grants previously awarded.
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Sponsor: Lemaster  
Discussion: DLZ will apply additionally for the STBG for the New York/Broadway project.

#### **Mayor**

- The Mayor has been in touch with Tami Phillips of Make Wellston Beautiful (MWB) for further discussion on their lease agreement. MWB has decided to lease yearly and has agreed to host more tournaments. In addition, Hudson stated that it doesn't look like the ballfields will be ready anytime soon.
- Regarding last meeting's visit from Wellston Wonderwash, the Mayor has suggested a 25% rate reduction on water usage. Legislation will be prepared for the next meeting.
- The Firefighters for Kids Toy Drive is underway.
- The new permitted deer hunt was discussed. The Mayor assured Council that there will be a limited number of permits for 1-2 city sites, only bow hunting is permitted, and it will abide by all ODNr regulations. He then spoke on deer overpopulation in the City.
- Christmas Treats on Wellston Streets and the Lions Club Parade will kick off on Saturday, December 3, 2022.

#### **Service Director**

- Small maintenance projects are being completed for the year.
- Salt has been delivered and the crews are readying for winter.
- A mechanic will be hired. There is a space being readied for the person who takes the position at the Street Garage.

**Law Director-** none

**Auditor-** none

**City Clerk's Reports-** report was received.

**Treasurer Report-** none

**Fire-** none

**Zoning-** none

**Police-** none.

All those in attendance voted to adjourn at 7:22 p.m.

  
Council Clerk

  
Council President