

**WAYNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL**

**September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023**

**5:00 PM**

**Call to Order:** Mayor Wilson called the September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023, meeting of the Waynesville City Council to order at 5:00pm.

**Roll Call:** On roll call, six (6) council members were present:

PRESENT: Farnham, Dils, Hyatt, Rice, Conley, Koren

ABSENT: Davis, Liberty

**Approval of Consent Agenda:** Mayor Wilson called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilman Conley made a motion to approve the consent agenda and Councilman Farnham seconded.

YEAS: Farnham, Dils, Hyatt, Rice, Conley, Koren

NAYS: None

Motion passed

**Closed Session:** There was a need for a closed session for legal, real estate. Councilwoman Koren made a motion to go into closed session and Councilman Hyatt seconded.

YEAS: Farnham, Dils, Hyatt, Rice, Conley, Koren

NAYS: None

Motion passed

Council entered closed session at 5:02 pm.

Council out of closed session at 6:03 pm.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

**Dr. Jerry Brown – 1390 Hwy F.** Mr. Brown addressed the Council in regards to not finding May, June, July, and August minutes from City Council on the website, ARPA money and a business receiving money who is no longer in the City and how much funds were dispersed to them. Mr. Brown also inquired about the Dollar General mural and why it was not done yet and recent information about the EV charging stations. Doug Potts stated that these are reimbursable grant programs and businesses do not get any dispersed funds until qualified receipts are given. Mayor Wilson stated that the city is looking to utilize several social media outlets for our citizens to receive information about what is happening in the city. Doug Potts also stated the Dollar General mural is being funded by them and they are in the process of seeking an artist to do the work.

**James Proctor – 126 Shannon Valley.** Mr. Proctor address the Council with a complaint in his neighborhood about vehicles driving too fast and would like to see about getting speed bumps and possibly children playing signs. Mr. Doyle stated that there are rules that the State has changed with children at play and placing those signs along the right of ways. Mr. Doyle will bring the idea of the speed bump to the Roads & Grounds Committee.

**Vannie Williams – 21715 Ranch Rd.** Mr. Williams complimented City Administrator John Doyle with a job well done. Mr. Williams also inquired about why there is a lock at the city dump site and a complaint about the speed limit of 25 mph being too fast in the Brentwood Terrace and Old Farm Estates area. Mayor Wilson stated that the city is looking to improve the fence and establish a code for our citizens to use.

## **SPECIAL GUESTS – PRESENTATIONS – APPOINTMENTS**

- a. **MML Certified Municipal Officials – Michele Brown & Jen Worth** – Mayor Wilson recognized Michele Brown, Jen Worth, Councilwoman Amanda Koren for completing the MML (Missouri Municipal League) Basic Certification Course. Mayor Wilson also received MML Basic & Advanced Certification Course and the first ones in history of the city to go above & beyond with our MML to be better officials for our city and staff members. Mayor Wilson encourages our other Councilmembers to go as well.

## **BOARD – COMMISSION – LIAISON REPORTS**

- a. **No Reports**

## **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a. Utility Committee – Councilman Conley
- b. Economic Development & Governmental Affairs Committee – Councilman Rice
- c. Roads and Grounds Committee – Councilman Farnham
- d. Police Committee – Councilman Conley
- e. Finance and Human Resources Committee – Councilman Koren
- f. Waynesville/St Robert Joint Airport Board – John Doyle

## **COUNCIL DISCUSSION**

Mayor Wilson opened discussion for the Council about an issue Councilman Conley mentioned in the Utility Committee concerning power outages and a better way of communicating with customers during an outage. Mayor Wilson stated communication is our biggest complaint. So, the city needs to come up with possible solutions of ways of notifying the citizens of emergency services. Possible solutions include a 1-800 number with a recording, text message system, social media outlets and a recording with scheduled updates.

## **ITEMS OF CONSIDERATION**

### **a. Ordinance**

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE** – HB2023-32 – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 620 of the Municipal Code of the City of Waynesville Regarding Sewer Regulations by Adding One New Section Regarding Bulk Users. Ordinance was read by title twice and its adoption and passage was moved by Councilman Conley and seconded by Councilman Farnham.

YEAS: Koren, Conley, Rice, Hyatt, Dils, Farnham

NAYS: None

Motion Passed

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE** – HB2023-33 - Amending the Employee Personnel Manual and Waynesville Police Department's General Orders Regarding Overtime for Traffic Enforcement Grant Opportunities. Ordinance was read by title twice and its adoption and passage was moved by Councilman Rice and seconded by Councilman Hyatt.

YEAS: Koren, Conley, Rice, Hyatt, Dils, Farnham

NAYS: None

Motion Passed

- b. Resolution**
  - a. None**

- Other Business**
  - a. None**

### **City Administrator's Report**

City Administrator John Doyle updated the Council on the Waynesville Fire Station, Departmental Budget Meetings and the Revised Council Meeting Agenda (agenda format).

### **Council Comments**

- Koren - Reminding citizens about Hogs & Frogs in the park starting tomorrow. Appreciates the other Councilmembers.
  
- Conley - Please watch for children playing in the streets because it is getting darker earlier.
  
- Rice - Invites everyone to the Hogs & Frogs festival this weekend in the park.
  
- Hyatt - That Mayor Wilson's weekly radio cast is a great way of communicating to our citizens.
  
- Dils - Thanks everyone who participated in the 911 Celebration in the park and the Waynesville School District – Jr High Students for attending.
  
- Farnham - Reminding citizens that ARPA funds are still available for home renovations up to \$2000 towards those repairs.

**Mayor Comments** – Mayor Wilson stated the Build It Better Program is available and if you need assistance call City Hall and ask for Amber to assist with paperwork. This month is Suicide Prevention Month and to be more aware as a community. The city will be utilizing the Owl Labs Meeting Camera to help move the city forward with our next step of communication to be able to stream our committee meetings to upload on YouTube. The opening ceremony for the Hogs & Frogs Festival begins tomorrow.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before this session of the Waynesville City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50pm by Mayor Wilson. The next regularly scheduled session of the Waynesville City Council is October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 5:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey York- Deputy City Clerk