

**CITY OF WELDON SPRING  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
JUNE 11, 2013**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Weldon Spring was held on Tuesday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at approximately 7:30 P.M. The meeting was held at the Weldon Spring City Hall, which is located at 5401 Independence Road. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Donald Lickliger.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Everyone in attendance stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:** The following Aldermen were present: Baker, Kolb, Wandling, Kohrs, Robb and Jelen. A quorum was declared.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

*\*\*\* Alderman Kolb made a motion to approve the minutes from the 05/23/13 meeting as amended and Alderman Kohrs seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

**PUBLIC FORUM – CITIZENS COMMENTS:**

Bob Ronkoski was present representing the Cottleville/Weldon Spring Lions Club. He presented the City with a check in the amount of \$500.00 with the stipulation that it was to be used towards something for children. Mayor Lickliger thanked Mr. Ronkoski and the Lions Club for the generous donation.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

There were “no” public hearings.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:**

*\*\*\* Alderman Baker made a motion to approve the paid bills for the period covering 05/01/13 through 05/31/13, the unpaid bills for the period covering 05/15/13 to 05/31/13 and the May Financials. Alderman Kolb seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

Questions were raised regarding Blade Technologies and three (3) invoices for Verizon Wireless and the lack of back-up information. There was also questions regarding the ROW mowing and the bank cash report indicating \$411,762.11 in the court cash funds. The **City Administrator** said that he would check with the City Treasurer (Janet Lieurance) and report back to the Board regarding their concerns.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

A.) – BILL # 1019 – AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR WHITMOOR COUNTRY CLUB – PLAT #7, LOT M7 – (Ald. Robb)

*\*\*\* Alderman Robb moved to read Bill #1019 for the second and final time and Alderman Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

*Roll Call: Robb-yes, Baker-yes, Jelen-yes, Kohrs- yes, Kolb-yes and Wandling-no.*

Bill # 1019 passed becoming Ordinance # 13-16.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. – PROFESSIONAL PLANNING SERVICES RFQ SUMMARY –**

**(Discussion/Motion)**

The **City Administrator** asked that this be tabled until the next Board meeting.

**B. – EMERGENCY DECLARATION UPDATE – (Discussion/Motion)**

**Mayor Licklider** spoke briefly about the May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013 tornado that caused considerable damage within the City. He reported on how staff, elected officials and CERT members began assessments the night of and the day after. He also mentioned the press release and the declaration of the State of Emergency for the City. He continued by informing the Board that there will be a debriefing with the trustees from the various subdivisions on June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at City Hall.

**Alderman Baker** said that the Cottleville Fire Department had their trucks in the Whitmoor Subdivision within fifteen (15) minutes after the tornado touched down. The **City Administrator** (Michael Padella) said that the Mayor declared a State of Emergency on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013 due to an EF3 tornado touching down in the City and traversing the center of the community. He continued by stating that detailed damage reports had been completed by the St. Charles County Building Department and the City was awaiting copies of this information. He further relayed that the City was contracting with St. Charles County for storm debris clean-up of trees and brush debris and the County has indicated a goal to be substantially completed with debris removal by June 21<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Padella also indicated that the City's portion of the clean-up cost may be substantial and the County had reported to the news that overall clean-up costs for the first six days were \$600,000.00 and there was no word yet on what portion of these costs would be attributed to Weldon Spring.

**Alderman Jelen** asked if there was going to be an after-action meeting with the officials and staff.

**Mayor Licklider** said "yes".

**Alderman Jelen** then thanked the City Clerk (Moe Kwiatkowski), Administrative Assistant (Pat Oldcroft), CERT members (Vince King and Bill Hendricks) for going out street by street and doing damage assessments, he continued by stating that the City Hall needs a generator and a way to put emergency alerts on the City web page.

**Alderman Baker** mentioned that there were over 300 trees lost city-wide due to the storm. He felt that the City could be a helpful conduit as far as possibly contacting various nurseries and see if they would be willing to offer discounts and incentives to City residents who would want to replace trees and other vegetation due to the storm damage.

**Alderman Robb** said that conceptually it seemed like a good idea but wasn't sure of the exposure to the City. He also commented that he wasn't sure how to go about getting the nurseries to do this.

**Alderman Baker** said that he would do all of the leg work and all staff would have to do was put a questionnaire out to the nurseries.

The **City Attorney** (Robert Wohler) said that the City didn't need to rush on this because planting season was basically over now until the Fall. He said that the City does not want to get into a partnership with the nurseries on this.

**Alderman Baker** said that he did not intend to obligate the City in terms of funds but just wanted the residents to re-beautify the City.

**Mayor Lickliger** suggested that Alderman Baker come up with a plan and the Board can address it again at a later date.

**Alderman Robb** suggested that this be discussed at the next Board meeting.

Mayor Lickliger then mentioned the idea of streamlining procedures as far as getting damaged homes back together after the May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013 storm.

There was a lot of discussion as far as to “how” this could be done without delaying the re-building/renovating plans for the residents.

**\*\*\* Alderman Kohrs moved to allow for the Land Use Permit fee to be waived on any Land Use Permit application that is submitted to the City due to a re-build or renovation of any structure that was damaged by the May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013 storm as long as the re-build or renovation remains within the existing footprint of the original structure, This would also include demolition permits. Alderman Wandling seconded the motion and the motion carried.**

**\*\*\* Alderman Robb made a motion so that the Architectural Review Commission (ARC) would not need to be involved if less than fifty (50%) percent of the appraised value of the non-conformity is affected and as long as renovations or re-build are completed as originally built. Alderman Baker seconded the motion and the motion carried.**

#### **REPORTS & COMMITTEES:**

**A– City Administrator:** The City Administrator (Michael Padella) submitted his report to the Board earlier but also mentioned the air-conditioning base bids that had been received from: Brown’s Heating & AC (\$8267.00), Pallardy Heating & Air (\$10147.00), Unique Heating & Cooling (\$8840.00) and Jerry Kelly Heating & Air (\$12,465.00).

**Mr. Padella** recommended that the Board approve the low bid from Brown’s Heating & Air in the amount of \$8267.00.

**\*\*\* Alderman Baker made a motion to approve the base bid received from Brown’s Heating & Air in the amount of \$8267.00 and to reject the other bids that had been received. Alderman Kolb seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

**Mr. Padella** also mentioned that the new playground equipment has been installed and during installation a park bench had been damaged but the company said that they will repair it.

**Mayor Lickliger** said that we also received a letter from Cuivre Rive regarding the cutting down of the trees on the back part of Wolfrum Road and they state that they will not be responsible for installing a guardrail along the area that we deem to be unsafe.

#### **B - City Attorney:**

No report given at this time.

#### **C. – Planning & Zoning Commission**

**Alderman Jelen** said that Planning & Zoning will have a Work Session on June 24<sup>th</sup> to discuss subdivision covenants and restrictions.

#### **D. – Committee Reports:**

**RECEIPTS & COMMUNICATIONS:**

**Alderman Robb** read a letter that he had received from the Whitmoor Homeowners Association thanking everyone who was involved in the clean-up from the 05/31/13 storm.

**WORK SESSION:**

No Work Session scheduled at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

*\*\*\* Alderman Kolb moved to adjourn the meeting and Alderman Jelen seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM

Respectfully submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

M. Kwiatkowski, MRCC

City Clerk

