

**CITY OF WELDON SPRING
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
NOVEMBER 13, 2012**

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Weldon Spring was held on Tuesday, November 13th, 2012 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: Kolb, Barrett, Baker, Robb, Kohrs and Jelen. A quorum was declared.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

**** Alderman Jelen made a motion to approve the minutes from the 10/25/12 as submitted and Alderman Barrett seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

PUBLIC FORUM – CITIZENS COMMENTS:

Jack Strick (Nancy Lane) said that he had some concerns regarding the discharge of firearms in the city. He said this past weekend he heard a gun go off very close to his home, so he called the Sheriff's Department who responded and spoke with the man who had approval to hunt on the property located behind his house. Mr. Strick said that he thought that the city had laws on the books that prohibited the discharge of firearms within a certain distance of a residential district. He continued by saying that the deputy told him that Weldon Spring has nothing on the books. He said that he teaches hunter safety with the Missouri Department of Conservation and asked the Board of Aldermen to consider an ordinance that would protect the residents.

Alderman Baker asked Mr. Strick what he recommended.

Mr. Strick said that he didn't know.

Alderman Kolb asked Mr. Strick to check with Bushes Wildlife and see how far a way from the Lewis & Clark Trail did hunters have to be.

Alderman Robb asked if the intent was to prohibit all hunting within the city.

Mayor Lickliger said if we did that then we would be like Town & Country and stated that we are still over 50% rural. He said that the Board would take it under consideration.

PUBLIC HEARING:

There were no public hearings.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

**** Alderman Kolb made a motion to approve the unpaid bills for the period covering 10/01/12 through 10/15/12 and Alderman Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS:

A.) PROPOSED “EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN” – (Discussion/Motion)

Mayor Licklider said he questioned the fact as to whether the city had the financial capabilities to fund something like this.

Alderman Robb said that he and the City Administrator (Michael Padella) and the Mayor looked into various retirement funds and found that LAGERS was the most popular but also the most restrictive. He said that it seemed like all the other cities had something in place except us. He continued by saying that a simple IRA seemed the best and would run around \$7,000 to \$8,000 a year.

The **Mayor** said that the Board used to get upset when increases were proposed and this was a 3% increase plus a 2.8% merit raise.

Alderman Robb said that the 3% was a benefit and not an increase in salary.

The **Mayor** asked that the Board members take a look at what was presented and digest it before the next meeting.

B.) PARK PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT – (Discussion/Motion)

Alderman Kolb said that she was going to meet with the City Administrator on this in the near future.

NEWSLETTER APPROVAL:

**** Alderman Kohrs made a motion to approve the Newsletter as amended and Alderman Barrett seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

REPORTS & COMMITTEES:

A– City Administrator:

No report given.

B - City Attorney: (Robert Wohler) said that he had a couple of proposed bills on the tables: i.e. group homes, planting under power lines and cutting grass on the ROW but wasn't going to do anything with them without the Board's approval.

Alderman Baker brought up the subject of “occupancy permits” again and said that he still wants this considered for possibly 2013.

C. – Planning & Zoning Commission:

No report given.

D. – Committee Reports:

No reports given.

RECEIPTS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Alderman Kolb said that she attended a meeting with the Rodelle Woods homeowners last night and there was still some talk about possibly turning their road over to the city.

Alderman Kohrs said that he spoke with a resident about the insurance on lateral sewer pipes. He said that it was his understanding that the city of St. Peters has a program in place for this.

Mayor Licklider said that residents should check with the water company to see if they

have something in place for this.

Alderman Robb said that he was still getting phone calls on the Whitmoor lot 178A.

Mayor Lickliger said that they still have to come back to the Planning & Zoning with Section Plans on these lots, so it shouldn't be an issue.

Alderman Robb said that he had been working with the City Clerk (Moe Kwiatkowski) and the City Administrator (Michael Padella) on more efficient ways of presenting bills for the agenda so as not to put a strain on staff and having them running in different directions. He said that the President Pro Temp would be the so-called "Gatekeeper" and everything could be filtered through him/her first. Alderman Robb said that the Board should be looking at updating the Comprehensive Plan and he felt that the current plan could be broke down into six (6) sections and then assigning a section to each Alderman and they could become experts on that particular section.

WORK SESSION:

None scheduled at this time.

ADJOURNMENT:

**** Alderman Kolb moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 P.M. and Alderman Robb seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted: _____

M. Kwiatkowski, MRCC

City Clerk

