

**CITY OF WELDON SPRING
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
JANUARY 14, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Weldon Spring was held on Tuesday, January 14th, 2014 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 Licklider.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

**** Alderman Kolb made a motion to approve the minutes from the 12/10/13 meeting as submitted and Alderman Jelen seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

PUBLIC FORUM – CITIZENS COMMENTS:

Gary Lively (Chapter One) addressed the Mayor and Board regarding the “panhandlers” that have been standing at the intersection of O’Fallon Road and Highway 94. He said that it was an embarrassment to the City and wanted to know what the City was going to do about it.

The **Mayor** said that hopefully the Board will have an ordinance in place by the next Board meeting.

Mr. Lively also asked if the City has anything on file as far as an ethics policy was concerned regarding both elected officials and employees. He said that the City is progressing and perhaps the Board should have their ducks in a row.

Alderman Jelen said that he believed that there was a policy of sorts in the employee’s Procedure Manual but there was no ordinance in place.

PUBLIC HEARING:

There were “No” public hearings.

**** Alderman Robb moved to Suspend The Order of Business and go to “New Business” – (C.) Code Enforcement Services – St. Charles County in order to accommodate Mr. Art Genasi from St. Charles County. Alderman Jelen seconded the motion and the motion carried.*

Mr. Genasi explained exactly “how” the County Code Enforcement Program would work if the City should choose to contract with them for code enforcement. He said that the action would be generated from City Hall because they would not go out and survey the city on their own. Mr. Genasi also explained that the County would provide notices to residents for grass issues but the City would have to pay any contractors for abatement.

Mayor Licklider stated that the City was still proposing to hire a Code Enforcement officer who would handle illegal signs and such for one day a week.

There was discussion as to exactly how the calls would be funneled and also it was noted that the City would have to adopt the 2009 Maintenance Code with amendments.

Mr. Genasi said that the cost to the City would be based on 50 cents per resident and notification by County as far as violations would be made in writing and also posted on the property.

Alderman Jelen said that he believed that the City should notify the trustees of the various subdivisions if the City should decide to contract with County.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

**** Alderman Jelen moved to approve the Unpaid Bills for the period (12/01/13 through 12/31/13) and the Paid Bills for the periods covering (12/01/31 to 12/31/13 and the December Financials and Alderman Robb seconded the motion and the motion carried.*

OLD BUSINESS:

A. – BILL # 1031 – AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE RENAMING OF THE EXISTING TECHNOLOGY DRIVE EAST TO WOLFRUM ROAD SO THAT WOLFRUM ROAD IS EXTENDED TO THE ROUNDABOUT AT RESEARCH PARK CIRCLE – (Ald. Kolb)

**** Alderman Kolb moved to read Bill # 1031 for the second and final time and Alderman Robb seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

Roll Call: Kolb-yes, Robb-yes, Jelen-yes, Kohrs-yes, Wandling-absent and Baker-absent. Bill # 1031 passed becoming Ordinance # 14-01.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. – REQUEST FOR A TWELVE (12) MONTH EXTENSION FOR LOT B OF WELDON SPRING CROSSING – BALKE BROWN TRANSWESTERN - (Motion Needed)

**** Alderman Jelen made a motion to grant the twelve (12) month extension to Balke Brown Transwestern to expire in February, 2015. Alderman Kohrs seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

B. – AN ORDINANCE REGULATING PANHANDLING AND OFFENSIVE VAGRANCY WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF WELDON SPRING, PROVIDING FOR NOTICE AND FINES FOR VIOLATORS AND MATTERS RELATING THERETO – (Ald. Kohrs)

Attorney **Bob Wohler** explained the proposed bill and why it was written as is.

**** Alderman Kohrs made a motion to introduce Bill # 1034 for its first reading and Alderman Robb seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

Alderman Robb stated the concerns that he had with Section #3 of the proposed bill. Bill # 1034 was tabled in accordance with City Code.

REPORTS & COMMITTEES:

A– City Administrator: The **City Administrator** (Michael Padella) was not present but had already distributed his report to the Board earlier.

Alderman Robb asked about the signage for the Wolfrum Road weight limit and wanted to know if it had been erected yet.

Mayor Lickliger said that he didn't believe so.

Alderman Robb asked if the City was still considering the purchase of an over-head projector.

The Mayor said “no”.

B. – City Attorney:

The **City Attorney** (Robert Wohler) mentioned the criteria as to what is considered an “abandoned vehicle”.

C. – Planning & Zoning Commission

No report given.

D. – Committee Reports

No Committee Report was given.

RECEIPTS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Alderman Robb wanted to know if a meeting had been set up yet with the electric company regarding the S-curve on Wolfrum Road and what happens if they don’t want to meet with us.

Mayor Lickliger said that the City Administrator can get amounts on the cost of a barricade.

WORK SESSION:

No Work Session was scheduled.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM

Respectfully submitted: _____

M. Kwiatkowski, MRCC

City Clerk