

The Wells City Council met on Tuesday, June 10, 2003 at 5 p.m. in the Council Chambers with Mayor Jacobson presiding over Councilmen Carroll, Schultz, Gaines, and Corbin. Also present were City Administrator Allis, Deputy Clerk Redman, and visitors.

Motion by Gaines, second by Carroll and carried approved the minutes of the May 27th meeting.

Annexation was added to the agenda at this time. After discussion on the cost of the Garlock Addition annexation to this point, council decided to keep going with the mediation process on a motion by Gaines, second by Schultz and carried.

A change to the coding of the Wells Electric bill from Liquor Store to Theatre was noted before council approved paying all bills in the amount of \$124,132.30 with a motion by Gaines, second by Corbin and carried. Balances and Revenue/Expenditure Statements were reviewed and approved on a motion by Carroll, second by Corbin and carried.

Building Permits were reviewed and approved with a motion by Corbin, second by Gaines and carried.

Council discussed the department reports from police, library, street, and community development. Chief Iverson is to be reminded he is to have the monthly police reports in the packet. With that exception, council approved all departmental reports (pages 9 – 15) on a motion by Gaines, second by Corbin and carried.

Miscellaneous reports were reviewed by council, motion by Corbin, second by Carroll and carried approved all reports for Liquor, Community Center, library automation, pool, comp time, and overtime. Community Center committee members, Carroll & Gaines, will meet with City Administrator Allis to discuss the use of the Community Center before the July council meeting.

The Police Committee Meeting was accepted on a motion by Corbin, second by Gaines and carried.

The Street Committee Meeting was next on the agenda. Rick was given approval to hire a part-time student worker due to staff shortage with a motion by Corbin, second by Schultz and carried. Motion by Schultz, second by Gaines and carried approved removing Gene Kauffmann from "on call" status due to his medical condition at this time. Councilman Corbin brought before the table concerns about mosquitoes. Council would like a survey to be put in the Utilities' billing surveying the public on spraying for mosquitoes and how to pay for this process. Motion by Corbin, second by Gaines and carried granted Street Supervisor LaVallie permission to order (1) one drum of chemicals and to spray the city as many times as he can with the product he has.

The Library Board and Fire Department Minutes were reviewed and approved on a motion by Schultz, second by Corbin and carried.

The Skateboard Park Committee has been raising money to put up a (6) six-foot fence around the Skateboard Park. Motion by Schultz, second by Carroll and carried approved putting up the fence.

The 5-year street project plan was next on the agenda. After much discussion, motion by Schultz, second by Corbin and carried approved having Bolton & Menk do the feasibility report on all the streets listed on the map provided by Street Supervisor LaVallie. Motion by Corbin, second by Schultz and carried authorized City Administrator Allis to prepare the resolution calling for the feasibility report to be done for the next council meeting. The map and a complete list of the streets needing improvements are on file at city hall.

The budget and recommendations from the City Administrator was the next subject of discussion. The council decided to review her recommendations and bring their recommendations to the next council meeting for discussion.

The Continuing Disclosure Document in the packet was for information only.

Old business: The Early Retirement program was put on hold until the Council had a chance to visit with full-time city employees. Health insurance was the biggest issue mentioned. A staff meeting will be held on Tuesday at 8 am in council chambers. Any individual may work out a proposal with the council.

Mike Virnig was present wondering if the ex-mayor has given a donation yet. He also had concerns about the roughness crossing the railroad tracks on Highway 22.

Steve Kloos represented many families living on 3rd Street SW. There are approximately 16 children within 3 blocks on this highly traveled street. He is asking for (2) two "Watch Out For Children" signs to be placed (1) one on each end to remind drivers to be careful. Motion by Carroll, second by Schultz and carried granted his request.

City Administrator Allis reminded the council on the following information; a) Liquor Store final payment is July 2005, b) Friday is the "ground breaking" for the Townhouses, and c) she will be at the City Administrator Conference June 18-20th.

Mayor Jacobson informed the council that the WPU is having an Engineer's report done from 3rd Street NW to the property that the potential motel is looking at. The city would be interested in sharing this report for use with the sewer lines.

Councilman Schultz informed the council that the Golf House roof is now on hold. The Golf Board has made no final decision at this time.

The next council meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 23, 2003. With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Deputy Clerk, Deb Redman