

## MINUTES

The Wells City Council held their first meeting of the month on Monday, May 8, 2006 in Council Chambers at 5 pm. Mayor Jacobson presided with Councilmen Burns, Carroll, Gaines, and Linde present. Also present were City Administrator Allis, Deputy Clerk Redman, and Reporter Bonsack. The "Pledge of Allegiance" was said at this time.

Dick Asleson, Northland Securities Inc, was present to update the Council on the Bonding process for the 2006 Street Improvements.

Kyle Meyers, Abdo, Eick, & Meyers, presented the council with the City's 2005 Annual Financial Report. A complete copy of the audit is on file with the City Administrator.

The Public Hearing on the Nuisance Violations was next.

- A. Denise Kuba; junk vehicle, (not present) no public comment
- B. Tina King; junk vehicle, (not present) no public comment
- C. Harry Eytcheson; junk vehicle & trash, (not present) no public comment
- D. James Hassing; junk, trash, and demo debris, (present) no public comment

Action by Council pertaining to Nuisance Violations;

- A. Denise Kuba; agreement made prior to council meeting
- B. Tina King; a letter of consent to remove vehicle(s) from property

Motion by Carroll, second by Gaines and carried.

- C. Harry Eytcheson; cleaned up prior to council meeting
- D. James Hassing; a letter of consent to remove junk, trash, & demo debris from property.

Motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried.

The Shirley Rumsey drainage issue was brought back to Council with further information. After much discussion, Council's decision was to leave the area alone. Motion by Linde, second by Burns and carried approved allowing Mike Weber to seed the trench at Shirley Rumsey's expense.

Also, the Council revisited the Robert & Jeanne Stuerman drainage issue. The Council received further information and a letter from the Stuermans. After reviewing the added information and discussion with the Street Supervisor, Council decided to stay with their original decision. Motion by Gaines, second by Linde and carried approved the Stuermans tiling into the City Storm at their own expense and with the supervision of the Street Supervisor, Rick LaVallie.

The minutes from the April 24<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting were reviewed and approved as written with a motion by Burns, second by Linde and carried.

Next on the agenda was reviewing the monthly bills. Motion by Carroll, second by Gaines and carried approved paying the bills in the amount of \$148,223.85 as presented. The Balances/Receipts and Revenues/Expenditures Statements were also approved as presented with a motion by Gaines, second by Carroll and carried.

Twenty (20) Building Permits for the month of April came before Council. Motion by Burns, second by Carroll and carried approved the list of Building Permits.

The Public Works, Police, Community Development, Library, and Fire Department submitted reports for Council approval. Motion by Carroll, second by Burns and carried approved the Departmental Reports as submitted.

Miscellaneous Reports consisted of the following; Community Center, Liquor Store, building report quarterly, Library Automation, and Employee over-time & comp-time. Motion by Carroll, second by Gaines and carried approved the Miscellaneous Reports as submitted.

The minutes from the Park Board were reviewed and approved as written with a motion by Gaines, second by Carroll and carried. Discussion was held on dragging the baseball field for the weekend. Motion by Gaines, second by Carroll and carried approved having the Street Department drag the field Friday before they leave for the weekend. If the field needs to be dragged again during the weekend, the team playing that day will be responsible. The Park Board provided Council with a list of people to work at the Swimming Pool this summer. Their recommendation included Katie Linde as Manager, Brittany Staloch as Assistant Manager, 13 individuals as Lifeguards, and 3 as Substitute Lifeguards. Motion by Carroll, second by Linde and carried approved all the Lifeguards for the 2006 season.

Several items were in the council packet as information only. They were as follows; Wells Ambulance Open House, Police Department Thank You, and the Wells Board of Adjustments & Appeals Hearing notice for May 15<sup>th</sup>.

Old Business:

Mike Weber was given 2 options as to how he could connect to the City Sewer System. He has chosen Option 2; the City will return his \$4,000, he will hire the work done, he will pay the City \$600 to connect, and the City will inspect the project. Motion by Carroll, second by Burns and carried approved Mr. Weber's connection option.

The Board of Review packet was included in the Council packet. Reminder the Board of Review is on Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm.

Public Comment:

Mike Weber had questions concerning the Ervin Pietan easement.

LeRoy Kuster praised Street Supervisor, Rick LaVallie on a job well done!

City Administrator's Report:

1. Ronda reported the significant savings at the Community Center for the first year. The new system has saved the City around \$5,000.
2. The City received 2 bids on the Fire Department Tanker. Erickson Truck-N-Parts bid \$3,127 and Smith-Holliman LLC bid \$5,501. Motion by Carroll, second by Burns and carried approved selling the Tanker to Smith-Holliman LLC for \$5,501.

Councilman Linde informed Council that the Fire Department's Snorkel is in need of maintenance. S & H Diesel is handling the repairs.

Councilman Burns had questions concerning the storage shed use.

Councilman Carroll reviewed the audit results.

The next scheduled Council Meeting is set for Monday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

With no further business to discuss, Mayor Jacobson adjourned the meeting.

Deb Redman, Deputy Clerk