

City of Wellsville  
411 Main  
Wellsville, KS 66092

The regular meeting of the Wellsville City Council was held on Wednesday, August 9<sup>th</sup> 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Wellsville City Council Meeting Room, located at 411 Main Street. Councilmen present were Chuck Rutledge, Kiel Lasswell, Tony Stanton, Dave Rogers and Cory Cunningham.

Department heads present were City Superintendent Christopher Cross, Police Chief John Blair and Building Inspector Jerry Mallory.

Councilman Chuck Rutledge moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilman Cory Cunningham seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Lytle opened the meeting up for public comments. There were no public comments.

Joe with Central Tank Coatings talked to council regarding the water tower roof, painting, Inspection of Stem of Water Tank and removal of interior ladder etc. The cost of painting the roof, sandblasting and painting the inside and the outside of the water tower is \$99,000.00. The time frame would be next spring to start the project approximately April or May. It was suggested to have our Attorney Patrick Reavey look over the contract that was provided. The bid is good for 1 year. Consensus was to get the research done and vote at the next meeting on August 30<sup>th</sup>.

The money could come from the Water-Sewer Utility Reserve which has a total \$164,265.

Building Inspector Jerry Mallory discussed the house at 918 Main. The home appears to be in such dilapidated condition that repairs are not a viable option. The foundation on all sides has either already caved-in or has little structural integrity. The alternatives are:

1. Send letter to all interested parties demanding repair or demolition.
2. Require owner to board all openings to prevent unauthorized entry and allow the home to remain in its existing condition.
3. Do nothing.

Suggested Motion: Motion to send a notice to all owners of record to demolish the existing home and remove all material off-site to an approved landfill.

Gregg Neis talked about the 2016 audit and presented the council with the final audit booklet and explained each page and line item.

The Ottawa Sanitation contract was presented until July 1, 2021. There are no changes to pricing to the City.

Councilman Dave Rogers moved to approve the contract. Councilman Cory Cunningham seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

A discussion topic concerning the Police Department was brought to council concerning take home cars for all the officers to deter criminals.

Guidelines for taking the cars home was discussed. The Chief was asked to write up some guidelines and have City Attorney Patrick Reavey look over the guidelines.

Councilman Chuck Rutledge moved to approve the officers taking home vehicles pending Patrick's approval on the guidelines. Councilman Kiel Lasswell seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Superintendent Christopher Cross gave the Public Works activity report. The 4<sup>th</sup> and Walnut drainage is still in design. The Pine street sewer contract was just signed today. Chris stated that he has need of a certified water-sewer operator. Ty Silvers would be interested in attending training to become certified. There is a 16-18 week course in Ottawa, KS from 1-5 p.m. The cost is \$1650.00.

Councilman Kiel Lasswell moved to approve to send Ty Silvers to a 16-18 week water-sewer course in Ottawa, KS and approve the amount of \$1650.00. Councilman Chuck Rutledge seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Supt. Cross brought up the on-call time off on Friday's. Supt. Cross asked for the ability to have the option for 1 day off or 1 hour of overtime when on call. A flat pay fee was discussed instead of using comp time days. A new policy will take effect where no comp time will be given; instead of the day off the City would pay \$125.00 for the on call week that the employee works.

Councilman Cory Cunningham moved to approve the \$125.00 flat fee instead of comp time. Councilman Dave Rogers seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Chief John Blair gave the police department activity report. Fire House Subs will mail a check for \$5740.00 for AED's. The Franklin County Radio project was approved by the commissioners. The County wants to purchase the system then The City of Wellsville would reimburse the County.

Building Inspector Jerry Mallory discussed residents living in camper trailers on site while building. We do have a family that is remodeling and may need to use a trailer until the time the project is completed. The City should have a letter from the City Attorney at the next meeting.

Councilman Cory Cunningham moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Kiel Lasswell seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Council meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

City Clerk  
Tammy Jones