

City of Wellsville
411 Main St.
Wellsville, KS 66092

The regular meeting of the Wellsville City Council was held on Wednesday, July 8th, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Wellsville City Hall meeting room, located at 411 Main Street. Councilmen present were Chuck Rutledge, Cory Cunningham, Jared Eggleston and Dave Rogers. Also present were Building Inspector Wes Brown, Chief of Police John Blair, City Superintendent Christopher Cross, and Auditor Gregg Neis, CPA.

Mayor Bill Lytle was absent. Councilman Ryan Eiche was also absent.

Councilman Cory moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilman David Rogers seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Council President Chuck Rutledge opened the meeting for public comments. There were no comments.

County Commissioner Randall Renoud gave the county activity report. He reported they are looking to vacate a road in Walnut Creek Acres, Deer Trail Road. He also discussed the K-33 overpass project that KDOT is looking into. He informed the Council that the County will help with flow of traffic and to please let them know if there is anything else they can do. Renoud also informed the Council of an upcoming project in Rantoul. The Department of Wildlife & Parks has brought in a presentation for a trail head with a Kiosk which will help with the growing traffic on the trail.

Auditor, Gregg Neiss, CPA informed the Council that the audit has been completed and it was completed in accordance with the Kansas state laws and legislature in mind. The State recognizes municipalities differently than a normal business because they do not have resale. He explained the breakdown of the reports (see July 8th Minutes) showing each department individually. At the end of each report is the cash balance for the departments. He further explained that Wellsville currently has three debts; Sewer, West Wellsville Sewer, and the Lease Purchase for the Wellsville Police Department vehicles. Gregg showed the KPERS breakdowns and the City's current sick, vacation, and death/funeral leave costs. He went into detail on the transfer sheet explaining why money was transferred among accounts. Gregg audit findings show that the budget was not violated by being over budget.

City Accountant, Gregg Neiss, CPA discussed the 2016 budget. Councilman David Rogers motioned to set a budget study session for July 20th at 6:00 pm. Councilman Jared Eggleston seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

City Superintendent Christopher Cross discussed the need for a cemetery expansion. He explained the cost and that the open area on the east end is becoming full. This project could be contracted out for double the cost or city employees could be used for the estimated cost of \$23,322.13. This could be a project that his crew could get started on

and make progress as available by weather and time. The funding at this time would have to come out of Capital Improvements/Sales Tax as the cemetery account barely covers the cost of mowing. Gregg Neiss, CPA mentioned that the Cemetery Perpetual Care account could possibly use for this project. Christopher asked Gregg to check into that. Gregg agreed and will get back with the Council regarding this matter. Councilman David Rogers would like to table the project to see if perpetual care could be used. The cemetery project was tabled by Council consensus.

Chief Blair presented the quote from Diversified Lenders for the purchase of the Tyler Technologies system. At this time Patrick Reavey, City Attorney has the contract and is reviewing. Council has decided to table this discussion until Reavey has reviewed the contract. Councilman Jared Eggleston wanted to remind the Council that this loan does not include the \$6500 fee.

Council President Chuck Rutledge moved to agenda item- Wellsville Car Show. Building Inspector, Wes Brown explained that a Special Use Permit would be required by the City as per City Attorney Patrick Reavey for the open container wrist bands. Citizen, Jeannine Berrier commented that she ran the car show for many years and never allowed open containers and never had a complaint. She feels the negatives outweigh any positives and could possibly cause the City a great deal of problems. Councilman David Rogers voiced his concern that allowing the Car Show to have an open container permit would open this type of situation too other events such as Wellsville Days and cause a precedent to be set. Councilman Jared Eggleston also voiced his concern that this is billing as a family event which is not cohesive with an open container permit. Councilman Chuck Rutledge agrees that he also has some concerns for allowing this. Chief Blair stated that he has listened to Clayton Neel's, who is in charge of the Car Show, view but he agrees that this could be a problem and would open it for other events. Councilman Cory Cunningham agrees with the views that are being expressed. Councilman Jared Eggleston motioned to not allow the open container consumption at the Wellsville Car Show, Councilman David Rogers seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Council President Chuck Rutledge moved to agenda item-KOFO backpack giveaway. Utility/Court Clerk Erin Eggleston explained. Councilman Cory Cunningham motioned to approve. Councilman David Rogers seconded. Motion approved 4-0.

City Superintendent, Christopher Cross gave a current department summary. The City is currently in meetings with the City of Baldwin regarding future water costs. There has been nothing settled yet but will keep looking for the possibilities of other sources. The Sewer-bid opening was conducted and some are very good in regards to costs. He would like to present at the next meeting with a full Council. There have been many ditch requests and he has some new ideas. Christopher would like to talk to the Council on an individual basis for about fifteen minutes about the ideas. He brought up the High Usage Water Policy and Procedure that was presented to Council for review and would like that approved after reviewed. Christopher presented an Office/Breakroom Proposal for Public Works. He would like to purchase a temporary space such as an office trailer. This space would be heated and cooled and would allow technology to work better and

allow a place for the guys to eat lunch and cool down and himself a place to work and not interrupt the workings his crewman. He presented both the 2 year lease option and the option to purchase it. The cost is approximately half on a lease and they would fix any AC/Heat issues. Christopher would like to fund out of Capital Improvement Building Fund, which currently has \$50,791. He discussed that this is a fund that hasn't been touched on buildings in the seventeen years he has worked for the City. He sees no reason to put this item on the budget as the money is already there to pay it off. Councilman Chuck Rutledge asked if this is modular or trailer. Councilman Chuck Rutledge said that he would look into the modular option also and bring those costs to the next meeting. Building Inspector, Wes Brown stated that it will take him four to six weeks to upgrade electricity in the area for either a trailer or a modular. The Council consensus is for him to begin the upgrading at this time. Councilman Chuck Rutledge will send the info he finds to Chris and bring to the budget hearing on the 20th.

Chief John Blair gave a department activity report. He stated that there were seven fireworks calls and most were only complaints of noise but were not illegal. G-Tech is the tablets that the FRCOSO is currently using and these will work with the new system. The Sheriff invited the Chief to FRCO Sheriff's Office to view the tablets and get the costs. He currently has three applications out for the police department opening. Chief Blair explained that the Boy Scouts are going to repair the police department sign, paint the kennel, stain the walkways and possibly fix the roof of the kennel. This is an Eagle Scout project for Adam Creviston. Adam has an Uncle who is in construction that will help with that repair if the City pays for the supplies. Chief Blair will have an amount for the supplies at a later date.

Councilman Jared Eggleston motioned to go into executive session for fifteen minutes to discuss land acquisition. Councilman David Rogers seconded. Motion was approved 4-0. Council went into executive session 7:10 p.m.

Councilman Cory Cunningham motioned to come out of executive session at 7:15 p.m. Only the above mentioned item was discussed. No motions were made. Councilman David Rogers seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Councilman Jared Eggleston motioned to adjourn at 7:16 p.m. Councilman David Rogers seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Erin Eggleston
Utility Clerk