

City of Wellsville
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Monday
December 23, 2013
5:00 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Wellsville City Council was held on Monday, December 23, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. in the Wellsville City Hall meeting room, located at 411 Main Street. Councilmen present were Jared Eggleston, Cory Cunningham, Travis Jones, Dave Edwards and Mike McAfee. Department heads also present were City Supt. Christopher Cross, Chief of Police Steve Gillespie and Fire Chief Robert Thomas.

The pledge of allegiance and invocation were given.

Mayor Lytle called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Councilman Mike McAfee moved to approve the consent agenda as submitted. Councilman Cory Cunningham seconded. Motion passed. 5 to 0.

Mayor Lytle opened the meeting up for public comments that had not been previously placed on the agenda.

There were no public comments.

Jeff Seymour from the Franklin County Development Council was present to inform Council that his department and City Engineer Mike Brungardt have been working on the city's behalf regarding prospective industries that the Kansas Department of Commerce has been working on establishing in Kansas.

A lease agreement between the City of Wellsville and the Wellsville Fire District was re-submitted for approval.

Wellsville Fire District member Gene Harris was present at the meeting and informed Council that the Fire District board had met and would like the following amendments made to the proposed lease agreement. They requested the following changes:

1. Item No 5 – delete the word “driveways”
2. Item No 8 – add the words “natural gas”

Councilman Dave Edwards moved to approve the lease agreement with the changes of “driveways” deleted from Item No 5 and “natural gas” being added to Item No 8. Councilman Cory Cunningham seconded. Motion passed 4 to 0. Councilman Jared Eggleston abstained from voting.

Mayor Lytle briefly reviewed the continuation of staying with the Hillsdale Water Cooperative.

Supt. Cross also briefly reviewed the continuation of staying with the Hillsdale Water Cooperative. He reminded Council that major infrastructure improvements would need to take place before Wellsville could ever actually draw the water from the cooperative. A reason to continue with the cooperative would be that they could supply additional water beyond the city's contract with Baldwin City and the City of Lawrence if a substantial customer (new industry) was to locate here and have the need.

City Engineer Mike Brungardt had provided Council with a memo regarding the Hillsdale Water Cooperative and stated in the memo that he saw justification on both sides on whether or not the City should continue with the water cooperative. The cost of continuing with the water cooperative for another year will be around \$11,000.

Mayor Lytle suggested staying in the cooperative for another year to get concrete figures from Baldwin City/City of Lawrence on a new contract and to keep our options open for a little longer.

Councilman Travis Jones moved to approve another year with the Hillsdale Water Cooperative at a cost of around \$11,000.00. Councilman Dave Edwards seconded. Motion passed 5 to 0.

Chief of Police Steve Gillespie gave a brief police department update.

Council reviewed a proposed transfer agreement of equipment and supplies to the Wellsville Fire District.

Councilman Dave Edwards moved to approve the transfer agreement between the City of Wellsville and the Wellsville Fire District. Councilman Cory Cunningham seconded. Motion passed. 4 to 0. Councilman Jared Eggleston abstained from voting.

Councilman Mike McAfee moved to adjourn. Councilman Dave Edwards seconded. Motion passed 5 to 0.

The meeting adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

City Clerk
Donna Layton

