

City of Wellsville
411 Main
Wellsville, KS 66092

The regular meeting of the Wellsville City Council was held on February 26th, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Wellsville City Council meeting room located at 411 Main Street. Councilmen present were Tony Stanton, Dave Rogers, Chuck Rutledge and Cory Cunningham. Department heads present were Police Chief John Blair, City Superintendent Darien Kerr, Building and Codes official Pat Burton.

The pledge of allegiance and invocation were given.

Councilman Chuck Rutledge moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilman Tony Stanton seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

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

County Commissioner Don Stottlemire gave the County activity report. They are doing work on the annex. Today they approved chip and seal up to 50 miles; it will all be in the South East part of the County. The Clean up time is April 10 & 11th Open to the public is the 24th and 25th.

Barbara Anderson with the Kansas Department of Commerce was present a presentation. CDBG has a downtown commercial rehab which is federal funds which will flow through the City. This is building has to be for profit. The maximum grant is \$250,000 with the private owner matching 25 % of that grant. The limitations are improvement of exterior of building, asbestos abatement, lead based pain evaluation and reduction and correction of code violations.

The Grant administration fee is \$17,000 or 10% of total CDBG funds (whichever is less)

Summary of Neighborhood Revitalization Program-uses a tax rebate to the property owner of the increased property tax that is generated due to: new construction, renovation, rehabilitation, improvement, etc. of commercial & residential properties within a revitalization district or zone.

Rebates provided for up to 10 years. Local municipality has flexibility-authority in establishing rebate percentages, rebate schedules, revitalization district boundaries, and minimum investment valuation increase requirements.

You have to get all the taxing entities onboard Barbara stated.

The Kansas pride Program is a partnership of K-State Research and extension, the Kansas Department of commerce, Kansas Masons and Kansas Pride, Inc.

Kansas PRIDE is dedicated to serving communities across the state to encourage and assist local government volunteer in making their community a better place to live and work.

Paul Bean with the Franklin County Development Council introduced himself to council. He started with Franklin County on November 1st 2019.

Judy Stratton with the Census Bureau was present to talk with council about recruiting and being census takers or employees. The job is temporary from May to July. The pay is \$15.00 per hour.

Ordinance 910 An Ordinance amending Article 2 of chapter VII of the city code to allow for the burning of leaves within the city fire limits September 30th through May 1st. Councilman Cory Cunningham moved to approve Ordinance 910. Councilman Tony Stanton seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

City Superintendent Darien Kerr gave the public works activity report. Darien asked if council would prefer to put door hangers or signs telling the public about the chip and seal which will be the end of May. Council suggested doing both.

Darien asked council for a 21 tilt trailer for \$6120.00. He did sell the dump truck for \$25,000 and will be using those proceeds.

Councilman Cory Cunningham moved to approve the purchase of the tilt trailer for \$6120.00. Councilman Chuck Rutledge seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Police Chief John Blair gave the police department activity report. Car 171 the 2017 Ford Utility SUV was totaled and we were given \$18,716.13. Chief Blair would like to purchase another SUV to take its place in the amount of \$32,000. There is some equipment that will be needed because of the new design of the vehicle such as the barrier, lights and console. He will need to purchase these items which are in the amount of \$9000.00.

Chief also stated that he has been working on an SRO grant with Bonnie Houck.

Council asked that the Chief take the \$18,716.13 for the wrecked vehicle.

Mayor Lytle stated that there were 3 letters of intent for the City Council position.

Councilman Dave Rogers made a motion to recess into executive session at 7 pm to discuss performance of non-elected personnel pursuant to KSA 75-4319 (b)(1). The open meeting will resume in the City council chambers at 7:15 p.m. Councilman Cory Cunningham seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Councilman Dave Rogers moved to come out of executive session. Councilman Tony Stanton seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

No motions were made and only the above mentioned item was discussed.

Councilman Chuck Rutledge moved to appoint Natalie Patton to City Council.
Councilman Cory Cunningham seconded. Motion passed 4-0

The Police Department accepted a donation from someone from the community for our tasers again this year in the amount of \$1200.00.

Council moved to accept this donation.

Councilman Chuck Rutledge moved to adjourn. Councilman Tony Stanton seconded.
Motion passed 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

City Clerk

Tammy Jones