

City of Wellsville
411 Main
Wellsville, KS 66092

The regular meeting of the Wellsville City Council was held on Wednesday, December 14th 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in Wellsville City Council meeting room, located at 411 Main Street. Councilmen present were Scott Hutchinson, Nichole Pruitt and Chuck Rutledge. Department heads present were City Superintendent Darien Kerr, Police Chief Danny Hackler and Building and Planning Official Pat Burton.

Councilman Cory Cunningham and Luke Henry were absent.

The pledge of allegiance and invocation were given.

Councilman Scott Hutchinson moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilwoman Nichole Pruitt seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Mayor Lytle opened the meeting up for public comments.

Mr. McJilton-305 Pendleton, asked about the Pendleton street and what we have found out regarding fixing that street. Building and Codes Official told Mr. McJilton that we have something in the works to help with the costs of the project.

County Commissioner Don Stottlemire gave the county report. In 1996 Franklin County was not a dry County any longer. Don said that 21 Counties in the State of Kansas have waived out of not having a percentage of food sold in order to sale liquor.

Councilman Luke Henry entered the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

Robert Thomas gave the Fire District update. He stated that they had 44 calls compared to 40 calls that happened last year. Robert would like for our City crew to replace the ballasts.

The exit ramp at Bert's was brought to council's attention. The I-35 ramp and the stop sign of people not stopping. The Police cannot act on the exit ramps since it is not in the City limits. The 10th street light will be addressed at the next meeting on the 28th.

The 2021 Audit was presented to council by Gregg Neis.

Councilman Scott Hutchinson moved to approve the 2021 audit report as presented. Councilman Luke Henry seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Resolution 01-1214-2022 GAAP waiver that determines the financial statements and reports. Councilman Luke Henry moved to approve the GAAP waiver. Councilman Chuck Rutledge seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

The evaluations and raises were brought before council for approval. Darien gave suggestions on his department and raises and Chief Hackler gave his evaluations and suggestion for raises.

Councilman Chuck Rutledge moved to give the raises as suggested by Department heads. Councilman Luke Henry seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Councilman Nichole Pruitt moved to give the Department heads a 5% raise. Councilman Scott Hutchinson seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

City Superintendent Darien Kerr gave the public works activity report. The backhoe bucket brought \$525 and the generator brought \$6400.00 on Purple Wave.

Darien stated there is a transfer switch going out at the sewer plant which would be approximately \$6000.00.

The cleaning of the air conditioner ducts was discussed and the bid that was the cheapest was from Stanley Steamer of \$650.00.

Darien stated that 2 HVAC companies were brought in and there is only 1 vent that looks to have mold.

Councilman Luke Henry moved to approve Stanley Steamer to clean the air ducts at the Fire Department in the amount of \$650.00. Councilman Scott Hutchinson seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Councilman Chuck Rutledge moved to get the tree at the park removed by Tierany Tree Service in the amount of \$1200.00. Councilman Scott Hutchinson seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Chief Danny Hackler gave the Police Department activity report. Chief stated Officer Petty has reapplied to our department and was hired. Ellsworth Police Department has asked to purchase our in car cameras for \$4000.00. The Fire Department is looking to purchase our old tablets.

Planning and Codes official Pat Burton gave the Codes report.

Councilman Scott Hutchinson moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Nichole Pruitt seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

City Clerk
Tammy Jones

