

City of Wellsville  
411 Main  
Wellsville, KS 66092

The regular meeting of the Wellsville City Council was held on Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Wellsville City Council meeting room, located at 411 Main. Councilmen present were Cory Cunningham, Nichole Pruitt, Scott Hutchinson, Chuck Rutledge and Luke Henry. Department heads present were City Superintendent Darien Kerr, Chief Hackler and Building Inspector Pat Burton.

The pledge of allegiance and invocation were given.

Councilman Scott Hutchinson moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilman Luke Henry seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Lytle opened the meeting up for public comments.

Paul Bean spoke about additional funds for businesses to fill gaps in funding.

County Commissioner Don Stottlemire gave the County report. Don said Dr. Bud Ransom has agreed to continue as a coroner for Franklin County with a 4 year contract. 911 was recognized for high standards recently.

The Fire District update was given.

Chris DeFazio-758 Main was present to ask for reimbursement of funds for repair on his sewer line he claims was hit by the Fiber Company and the Water Line when it was updated.

Pat Burton gave council an update and showed pictures of what happened to cause the sewer failure at that address which he believes was the Fiber Company that went thru 3 years ago.

Councilman Luke Henry stated that the Fiber Company not the City of Wellsville was negligent. The City will share the photos with the Fiber Company to help the DeFazios with possible re-imburement.

Resolution 01-0412-2023 a Resolution for fees and rates was brought before council for approval. Councilman Chuck Rutledge asked to bump up the report costs. Councilwoman Pruitt asked to raise grave space costs along with mowing and trimming. Consensus was to make adjustments and present at the next meeting.

Councilman Cory Cunningham moved to table until the next meeting on April 26<sup>th</sup>. Councilman Chuck Rutledge seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

The special event application was presented from Chili Jack's for the April 22<sup>nd</sup> corn hole tournament which is a fundraiser for the Aaron Patton Memorial Fund. Councilwoman Nichole Pruitt approved the special events application. Councilman Scott Hutchinson seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

City Superintendent Darien Kerr gave the Public Works activity report. Darien stated the pool will be polished the first day of May. The City Wide clean up is under way and dumpsters have been delivered.

Chief Hackler gave the Police Department report. Chief said the move in date for the PD is Friday the 14<sup>th</sup>. Chief said he completed his Bachelors and is set to graduate the end of the month.

City Inspector Pat Burton said the trailer park will be eliminated and new structures will be going in. They had the preconstruction meeting for 6th and Willow. The developer received 1.2 million dollars and will be putting in 64 doors.

Councilman Chuck Rutledge motioned for City Council to recess into executive session for 15 minutes to receive advice of counsel to discuss contract negotiations pursuant to attorney-client privilege exception of K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2) of the Kansas Open Meetings Act. The open meeting will resume in the City Council Chambers will resume at 7:03P.M. Councilman Cory Cunningham seconded. Motion passed 5-0. No formal action is anticipated following the session. Persons to be in attendance are the following: Pat Burton-Community Development and Tyler Ellsworth-Bond Counsel

Councilman Chuck Rutledge moved to come out of executive session. Councilman Cory Cunningham seconded

Councilman Scott Hutchinson moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Luke Henry seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

City Clerk  
Tammy Jones