

City of Wellsville
411 Main
Wellsville, KS 66092

The regular meeting of the Wellsville City Council was held on Wednesday, May 31st 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Wellsville City Council meeting room, located at 411 Main. Councilmen present were Chuck Rutledge, Cory Cunningham, Scott Hutchinson, Nichole Pruitt and Luke Henry. Department heads present were City Superintendent Darien Kerr, Police Chief Danny Hackler.

Councilman Scott Hutchinson moved to approve the consent agenda and the minutes from the previous meeting. Councilman Luke Henry seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Lytle opened the meeting up for public comments.

Paul Attebury a builder in town said the setbacks on the property he is building were at 30 ft and it doesn't give him enough room setback. Mr. Attebury he would like to do a 25 ft setback like on the East side.

Councilman Chuck Rutledge motioned to make the corner lot 20 ft set back and the rest of the 8 lots a 25 ft setback. Councilman Scott Hutchinson seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Mike Brungardt informed council that he will be resigning as our City Engineer for the City of Wellsville. He has worked for the City over 20 years and has really appreciated the opportunity but his new position keeps him so busy he doesn't feel he has the time to spend on our projects.

County Commissioner Don Stottlemire gave the County activity report.

Jacob Eads with Excellent Wireless spoke about the water tower lease agreement. The franchise cost would be \$250.00 per month payable on the 15th. Councilwoman Nichole Pruitt motioned to approve the Excellent Wireless tower agreement in the amount of \$250.00 per month. Councilman Scott Hutchinson seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Becky Dodd with the Library spoke to council about the furnaces and parking lot issues at the Library. Becky gave an update on the Library build she stated they are doing well with the building, they will start insulating and sheet rocking soon and could possibly be done the end of June or first of July. Becky said they did allow for contingencies but she said there are 2 small leaks on the furnaces and they would not be able to be put back. She is asking council for a possibility of funding from the City for HVAC and the West Parking lot. The HVAC is \$46,732 and the parking lot is estimated at \$38,000.

Councilman Chuck Rutledge asked why we didn't plan on the HVAC in the beginning considering they are 30 years old. The Mayor asked if he could call around on some more bids.

The Dispatch agreement Resolution 01-0531-23 between the City of Wellsville and Franklin County was approved by Councilman Scott Hutchinson. Councilman Cory Cunningham seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

The Terracon Agreement was presented, which is a proposal for construction observation and testing services for Icon Valley Streets and Curb.

Councilman Nichole Pruitt moved to approve the Terracon Agreement. Councilman Chuck Rutledge seconded 5-0.

City Superintendent Darien Kerr gave the Public Works activity report. Darien stated they are still waiting on a mat for the baby pool. Darien asked to rent a crack seal machine which is \$2000 a week and we would use it for 2 weeks. Darien also asked to rent a Hydro Excavator it cleans the inside of meter pits. The rent on that is \$4300.00 for 4 weeks. Darien wants to wait until September to start this project.

Darien also spoke to council about getting a side by side for City use. Council suggested looking around and getting pricing. Darien stated he wants to sale the old Public Works trailer on Marketplace.

Councilman Scott Hutchinson moved to approve the crack seal machine in the amount of \$4000. Councilman Cory Cunningham seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Councilman Scott Hutchinson moved to approve a deposit if needed. Councilman Cory Cunningham seconded. Motion passed 5-0

Chief Hackler gave the Police Department activity report. Chief stated that Constintinos donated a pallet of water to the City.

Chief stated they had a Police chase which a dog bit a fleeing suspect. He also informed council that Officer Fanning will graduate next Friday from the academy. Chief said he will be on vacation next week and Sergeant Garcia will be available for calls.

Councilman Chuck Rutledge moved to go into executive session at 6:52 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 7:02 p.m. Councilman Scott Hutchinson seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Councilman Chuck Rutledge moved to come out of executive session. Councilman Cory Cunningham seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Councilman Scott Hutchinson moved to approve Sgt. Garcia a raise to \$27.00 per hour. Councilman Cory Cunningham seconded. Motion passed 5-0

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

City Clerk
Tammy Jones