

**CITY OF WILMORE MINUTES
MAY 16, 2022**

The Wilmore City Council met in regular session on Monday, May 16, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Harold L. Rainwater presiding. Council members present were: Andy Bathje, Jeff Baier, Jim Brumfield, Kim Deyer and Leonard Fitch.

Attorney Robert L. Gullette III was present

Not present: Councilmember David Riel

MAYOR REPORT/PRESENTATIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Deyer made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Brumfield to approve the minutes of May 2, 2022. There being no discussion, all members voted aye.

OLD BUSINESS

LEASING OF CITY VEHICLES FROM ENTERPRISE

Police Chief Craig is in favor of leasing the vehicles from Enterprise. We will actually own the vehicles if we decide to go with Enterprise. It will take up to two years to get the cars. It does not cost us anything to get into the program. There is not an interest from any other department to use Enterprise to purchase the city vehicles.

Councilmember Brumfield, Councilmember Baier and Councilmember Deyer will look more into leasing from Enterprise and bring a report back to the Council.

FENCING IN FRONT YARDS

After a brief discussion it was decided that Attorney Robert Gullette will draft an ordinance.

NAMING OF COMMERCIAL AREA OFF E MAIN ST

The Wilmore Community Development Board recommends to the Mayor and the Wilmore City Council that the commercial area surrounded by Stockyard Bank, Subway, Fitch's IGA, Wilmore Wash House, Dollar General, Drinklings and Great Wall be named Fitch's Square. Vince Lewellen will make the sign.

ORDINANCE 2022-1 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WILMORE, KENTUCKY, ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL PERIOD JULY 1, 2022 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023, BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND RESOURCES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT (FIRST READING)

Mayor Rainwater went over the highlights in the proposed budget which includes a 2% increase in water & sewer rates, a 6% increase in garbage rates, 300K from Beshear/State funds for Fitch's IGA/Dollar General Sewer Project, 500K in ARPA funds for Downtown Improvements, parking improvements in rear of Municipal building, fire truck upgrades and phase 2 of CDBG/Granary Project Match. The budget also includes a 2% cost of living raise for employees, an increase starting pay for police officers to \$18/hr, increase starting salary for lowest paying job to other employees to \$14/hr, an 18% pay increase for the City Attorney, the purchase of a new Utilities truck, the purchase of a Tombstone Jack for the cemetery, 5K for Police Accreditation Audit and a water lines Capital Project for valves and pumps.

Councilmember Brumfield made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Baier to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2022-1. After a discussion from citizens about the trees at Centennial Park and a few other items, all members voted aye.

ORDINANCE 2022-2 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WILMORE, KENTUCKY, RELATING TO THE AMENDING OF FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022 (FIRST READING)

Councilmember Brumfield made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Deyer to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2022-2. After a brief discussion on the second reading, all members voted aye.

RESOLUTION 2022-4 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING AN ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WILMORE, KENTUCKY AND THE KENTUCKY INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE UP TO \$994,648 OF LOAN FUNDS FOR PROJECT NUMBER F21-060.

Councilmember Bathje made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Deyer to authorize the Mayor to sign all documentation with KIA for the Water Tower Painting Project. There being no discussion, all members voted aye.

Councilmember Deyer made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Bathje to approve Resolution 2022-4. There being no discussion, all members voted aye.

NEW BUSINESS

Finance Director Lori Vahle

Police Chief Bill Craig

Fire Chief Jimmy Powers

Director of Utilities and Public Works - Dave Carlstedt

Director of Facilities & Cemetery- Vince Lewellen

Director of Community Development - Judy Woolums

Coaster Car Derby went very well.

The Flower Sale went very well and they sold every flower they had.

The first Night Market will be Thursday, May 19th.

US 68 Yard Sale is the first weekend in June.

Painting the Town will be held in June.

Director of Parks and Recreation -- Amy Fitch

COUNCILMEMBERS COMMENTS

Councilmember Bathje asked for an update on the Homeless Meeting, Mayor Rainwater did not have an update.

MAYOR COMMENTS

ATTORNEY COMMENTS

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND GUEST SPEAKERS


REPORTS FROM THE FLOOR

Several residents addressed the Council with concerns that they are not a lot of things for older children that are in Jr High and High School to do in the City of Wilmore. Some ideas are a Splash pad, outdoor movies and other activities. More concerns for the smaller children were addressed as well. They are asking for more shade at the playgrounds and upgrades at the playgrounds on the equipment. Also, safe passageways to different places in Wilmore so children can ride their bikes or walk. Attorney Gullette addressed this issue.


Motion by Councilmember Brumfield to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

PRESIDING OFFICER:


Mayor Harold L. Rainwater

ATTEST:


Sharon Moore, City Clerk