

The City of Winfield met in regular session on Wednesday, August 14, 2024 at 5:00pm at Council Chambers, 115 N. Locust Street with Mayor Willie Bender presiding. Council persons present: Jennifer Lemke, Brandy Smith, Matt Hernandez, David Pieart, and Randy Redlinger. Others present: Angie Oepping, JR Herrick, Jeff Dietrich, Scott Roen, Lisa Rees, and Laura, Scotlyn, & Josslyn Roen.

Approval of Agenda-Agenda approved by a motion of J. Lemke, D. Pieart 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried.

Approval of Consent Agenda-Bills and Minutes from July 10, 2024 City Council Meeting-Approved by a motion of J. Lemke, D. Pieart 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried.

Departmental Reports – Electronic reports provided to the council. In addition, J. Herrick stated that the pool had their annual audit and received a score of 100%. New officer, Scott Roen, was sworn in by Mayor Willie Bender. J. Lemke stated that the school board will be assigning representatives for the 28E Agreement at the Commons and a meeting will be scheduled with all three parties involved.

Public Forum-No one from the public addressed the council.

Boomerang – Progress Report/Pay Application #10-JR stated that himself and engineer, Matt Wildman, voiced their concerns with the lack of progress and housekeeping at the job site. Council approved the pay application by a motion of B. Smith, M. Hernandez 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried.

Casey's – Liquor License Renewal-Council approved the license renewal by a motion of J. Lemke, B. Smith 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried.

Welcome Inn – Liquor License Renewal-Council approved the license renewal by a motion of J. Lemke, B. Smith 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried.

Resolution 04-2025 – Setting Employee Salaries-Council approved the resolution by a motion of J. Lemke, M. Hernandez 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried.

Resolution 05-2025 – Purchase Property 120 S Locust Street-Resolution approved by a motion of B. Smith, D. Pieart 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried.

Employee Salaries-Council approved a 3% raise presented to them by a motion of J. Lemke, D. Pieart 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-1 (R. Redlinger) Carried.

Date for Halloween Fest Celebration and Trick or Treat Night-Council approved setting the weiner roast for Thursday, October 31st from 4:30pm – 6pm and following with Trick or Treat from 6pm – 8pm by a motion of J. Lemke, B. Smith 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried.

Old Business – J. Lemke is reaching out to the other cemetery board members to set up a meeting to revisit the Joint Agreement. It was brought to the council's attention that the electrical failed at the pole on the corner of W. Elm and S. Locust for the band at CCD.

Mayor's Comments-Mayor Bender thanked the Crooked Creek committee for another successful year and welcomed Scott Roen to the City. Zeke Nebel the new public works assistant will start on September 3rd. Mayor Bender also informed the council about a zoom call with the EPA in regards to the next steps for the congressional funding of the WWTP.

Adjournment-The meeting adjourned at 6:16pm by a motion of B. Smith, J. Lemke 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried. The next regular session meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 11, 2024 at 5:00pm.

Angie Oepping, City Clerk

Willie Bender, Mayor