

The City of Winfield met in regular session on Wednesday, September 11, 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, Scott Roen, and Lisa Rees.

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

Approval of Consent Agenda-Bills and Minutes from August 14, 2024 City Council Meeting-Approved with the addition of two Wemiga Waste Invoices totaling \$9,901.20 for July & August garbage services by a motion of J. Lemke, D. Pieart 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried.

Departmental Reports – Electronic reports provided to the council. A meeting will be scheduled later in the month for the 28E Agreement at the commons between the City, WMU Rec League, and WMU School.

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

Boomerang – Progress Report/Pay Application #11-Council approved the pay application by a motion of B. Smith, M. Hernandez 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried.

Henry County Leadership Classes – Deputy Clerk-Council approved submitting the application for Deputy Clerk, Lisa Rees, to attend the classes by a motion of D. Pieart, J. Lemke 2nd Ayes-4, Nays-1 (M. Hernandez) Carried.

Library Renovation at Pilot Grove Savings Bank-J. Lemke and D. Pieart volunteered to be on the committee for renovation plans at the new library location. J. Lemke will plan to attend the space planning workshop with the librarian in October.

City Right-Of-Way - Farm ground-A. Oepping stated that the farm ground to the northwest of the lagoons is up for sale and the real estate broker called asking about the right-of-way that runs through the farm ground. No action taken.

Winfield School – 4-Way Stop (W. Central & Clark)/Handicap Spots-School is inquiring about the addition of a portable 4-way stop sign at W. Central and Clark and additional handicap spots (currently two along south side of lobby entrance). Mayor Bender will meet with Principal Gaige Gill with councils' thoughts on adding a separate entrance and exit sign for the parking lot as well as removing the parking spots on W. Central Ave between the two entrance/exits. Mayor Bender will also discuss where the school would like additional handicap spots. If on city roadway, then the city will be responsible for approval and placement; if in school parking lot, then the school will be responsible.

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

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

October 2024 City Council Meeting-Council approved moving the October 2024 city council meeting to Wednesday, October 16th @ 5pm by a motion of J. Lemke, M. Hernandez 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried.

Old Business – No updates on 306 E Ash property.

Mayor's Comments – Mayor Bender informed the council that the EMS vote passed with 92% in favor.

Adjournment-The meeting adjourned at 6:23pm by a motion of J. Lemke, B. Smith 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried. The next regular session meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 16, 2024 at 5:00pm.

Angie Oepping, City Clerk

Willie Bender, Mayor