

The City of Winfield met in regular session on Wednesday, October 16, 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, Ben & Pam Johnson, Rob & Brice Quinn, and Matt Wildman (HR Green).

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 September 11, 2024 City Council Meeting-Approved by a motion of J. Lemke, M. Hernandez 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried.

Departmental Reports – Electronic reports provided to the council. Cemetery Board will be meeting on Wednesday, October 23rd at 4:30pm. A memorial bench for Peggy Johnson will be moved from existing location (out of town) to the city park by the water plant. Officer Roen will be having a Bike Safety Program on November 4th for 3rd & 4th graders and the Junior Deputy Program with Henry County Sheriff's Office will begin on October 30th.

Public Forum-Pam Johnson wanted to confirm that there was nothing that the city needed from the Lions Club in regards to the costume contest on 10/31/24. Rob Quinn voiced his concerns about stray cats in town, curve on south edge of town being slick this winter & painted lines, and the yellow lines on the one-way north of the school on Pine Street.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Updates – HR Green (Matt Wildman)-Matt gave an update on supply delays, blower building should be complete in the next couple weeks, working on connecting lagoon piping, and lift station and liners the week of 10/21/24. Boomerang's schedule still shows operation being complete by December 1st; however, extensions may be needed for items such as seeding, etc. He explained to the council that collecting on liquidated damages (\$500/day) can be tricky.

WWTP Improvements – Change Order #3-Council approved the change order for a credit of \$5,000 by a motion of J. Lemke, B. Smith 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried.

WWTP Improvements – Progress Report/Pay Application #12-Council approved the pay application by a motion of M. Hernandez, B. Smith 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried.

Resolution 06-2025 Authorizing and Approving a Loan and Disbursement Agreement, providing for the Issuance of General Obligation Sewer Improvement Bonds, Series 2024 and providing for the levy of taxes to pay the same-Council approved the resolution by a motion of D. Pieart, J. Lemke 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried.

28E Agreement – City/WMU Rec League/WMU School-Council approved the 28E Agreement by a motion of J. Lemke, D. Pieart 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried.

No Parking Zone along West Central Ave between school parking lot entrance/exit-Council approved removing the parking spaces and adding no parking signage by a motion of J. Lemke, B. Smith 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried.

Ordinance 360 – Handicap Parking-Council approved the ordinance by a motion of R. Redlinger, J. Lemke 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried. Council approved to waive the second and third readings by a motion of J. Lemke, R. Redlinger 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried.

Laptop Quote-Council approved the quote and to proceed with the purchase of the laptop and Microsoft Office by a motion of J. Lemke, D. Pieart 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried.

Tractor Quotes-Two quotes were received, one from Sinclair and one from J. J. Nichting. JR Herrick will work on getting additional quotes including quotes from year older model tractors.

306 E. Ash Street Update-The city now owns the property and A. Oepping will begin working on the bid process to sell the property and will provide the council with verbiage on stipulations for the bidders at the November council meeting.

Pool Pass Pricing – Christmas Certificates-Rate will remain \$150 for family and \$75 for individual pool passes for Christmas certificates.

Old Business – Council discussed property at 202 & 204 E Pearl Street and the issue with standing structure after the demo and the camper in the backyard.

Mayor's Comments – Mayor Bender expressed his appreciation to Pilot Grove Savings Bank for the building donation at 120 S Locust Street which will be the new location for the Winfield Public Library. Mayor Bender also wished the WMU Football, Volleyball, and Cross-Country Teams luck as they enter into post season.

Adjournment-The meeting adjourned at 6:45pm by a motion of J. Lemke, M. Hernandez 2nd Ayes-5, Nays-0 Carried. The next regular session meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at 5:00pm.

Angie Oepping, City Clerk

Willie Bender, Mayor