

**CITY OF WILLARD
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR MEETING
July 8, 2019
7:00 p.m.**

Staff present: City Administrator, Brad Gray; City Clerk, Jennifer Rowe; Public Works Director, Dave O'Connor; Director of Development, Randy Brown; Chief of Police, Tom McClain; Police Lieutenant, Shannon Shipley; Police Corporal, Bob Bell; Police Officers JD Landon; and Finance Director, Carolyn Halverson.

The City Attorney Ken Reynolds was present.

Citizens in attendance: Mindy Latham, Kim Haase, Jim Vaughn, Laura Umpenour, Glenn Cozzens, Chris Cox, LouAnn Cox, Matt Smith, Kevin Hemingway, Melissa Mau, Jennifer Albright, Jessica Albright, Rosalinda Albright, Derek Lee, Robyn Rowe, Scott Rowe, Alex Rowe, Cody Rowe, Max Rowe, and Madison Rowe.

Pledge of Allegiance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Hendrickson.

Call to Order.

Mayor Hendrickson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call.

The City Clerk conducted the Roll Call. Alderman McEntire-present, Alderman Snider-present, Alderman Stewart-present, Alderman Whitman-present, Alderman Baird-present, Alderman Jones---, and Mayor Hendrickson-present.

Agenda Amendments/Agenda Approval.

City Administrator Brad Gray requested moving the Ceremonial Matters up to the new item #3 after the approval of the Agenda. Motion was made by Alderman Baird and seconded by Alderman Stewart to approve the Agenda with changes. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0. Voting aye: Aldermen McEntire, Snider, Stewart, Whitman and Baird.

Ceremonial Matters.

- A. Police Chief Tom McClain swore in new Police Officer Brandon Bond.
- B. Police Chief Tom McClain presented the Presidential Fitness Awards to the PAL Boxing graduates.
- C. City Clerks Barb Gollhofer (Joplin), Debbie Cornell (Carterville), Karen Rost (Marshfield), and Retired City Clerk Barbara Hogelin (Joplin) presented Willard City Clerk Jennifer Rowe with an award for obtaining her Missouri Registered City Clerk Certification.

Consent Agenda.

Alderman Whitman requested more discussion on the Water Loss Report. Public Works Director Dave O'Connor discussed the report and the numbers.

Motion was made by Alderman Stewart and seconded by Alderman Baird to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0. Voting aye: Aldermen McEntire, Snider, Stewart, Whitman and Baird.

Discussion/Vote to approve current June/July 2019 Outstanding Invoices, Check and Draft Paid Invoices.

Motion was made by Alderman Stewart and seconded by Alderman Whitman to approve the current June/July 2019 Outstanding Invoices, Check and Draft Paid Invoices. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0. Voting aye: Aldermen McEntire, Snider, Stewart, Whitman and Baird.

Citizen Input.

Jessica Albright, 804 Berry Lane, discussed her opinion of the agenda item on dog tethering. She stated that during discussions with the City Administrator and group, they had decided to nix the word tethering and focus on confinement. Dogs should not be confined outside, especially during temperatures above 90 degrees, below freezing, or any weather alert. She stated that police had been called on a neglect issue they found, but the police stated there was no law in place for them to uphold.

Laura Umpenour, Missouri for the Protection of Animals, brought information from the Humane Society. She discussed animal neglect and animal cruelty. She also discussed the Missouri State Statute 578.005 on Adequate Control.

Rosalinda Albright, 804 Berry Lane, stated that she had called the police regarding dogs being tied up. The Police stated they cannot do anything with no law to uphold. She also stated there is a large dog in a bunny cage near her residence that causes her distress.

Jennifer Albright, 804 Berry Lane, stated that nothing bad can come from passing a law to make animal confinement illegal in Willard. This will just protect the animals, and humans, as animals get aggressive when they are tethered or caged.

Discussion on Dog Tethering Code.

City Administrator Brad Gray discussed the issues regarding dog tethering. Discussion was made on offenses in other Cities and research that had been done. Lt. Shannon Shipley discussed the survey she conducted. Mr. Gray then discussed options for Willard. He recommended that the City send Lt. Shipley to the Missouri Animal Control Certification class to gain knowledge on abuse and neglect. Then have Lt. Shipley come back and train the other officers to know what to look for. Having this training will allow the City to create a baseline and conduct more thorough assessment of the issues in Willard. Lt. Shipley stated she feels the biggest issue is education and case by case situations. Discussion was then made on who was conducting the training. Rosalinda and Jessica Albright felt that the data was misleading and would like to help gain more accurate data. Motion was made by Alderman Stewart and seconded by Alderman McEntire to send Lt. Shipley to the training and continue data analysis on Willard after officers are sufficiently trained. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0. Voting aye: Aldermen McEntire, Snider, Stewart, Whitman and Baird.

Discussion/Vote to approve changing of street signs.

City Administrator Brad Gray discussed the street signs. He stated the School would be the one changing the signs and be responsible for all cost and installation. Discussion was made on where the signs would be. Motion was made by Alderman McEntire and seconded by Alderman Stewart to approve changing of the street signs. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0. Voting aye: Aldermen McEntire, Snider, Stewart, Whitman and Baird.

Discussion/Vote to accept the Longview Subdivision Sewer Relocation and Easement.

Director of Development Randy Brown discussed the Longview Subdivision. Discussion was made on current infrastructure. Mr. Brown stated that the sewer will be relocated to the west side of lot 10 instead of down the center. This will change the easement. All costs will be on the developer for the relocation and a new easement will be issued to the City. Motion was made by Alderman Baird and seconded by Alderman McEntire to accept the Longview Subdivision Sewer Relocation and Easement. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0. Voting aye: Aldermen McEntire, Snider, Stewart, Whitman and Baird.

Public Hearing for Robertson Estates Phase 2 Sketch Plan.

The City Attorney Ken Reynolds opened the public hearing at 8:06 p.m. for Robertson Estates Phase 2 Sketch Plan.

Derek Lee of Lee Engineering discussed the Sketch plan. Discussion was made on the houses, lot size and green space. Discussion was then made on the floodplain. Mr. Lee discussed the current floodplain maps in effect, and the changes that will happen if the new maps are accepted for 2020.

Chris Cox, 310 Willey, discussed the current flooding and drainage issues. He stated he wants to ensure that his property will not have more water routed there with the new drainage ditch and detention being placed on Robertson Estates Phase 2. Mr. Lee stated that the detention basin was to remove the additional runoff caused by the new rooftops.

No other citizens wished to speak so Mr. Reynolds closed the public hearing at 8:31 p.m.

Discussion/Vote to accept the Robertson Estates Phase 2 Sketch Plan.

Mr. Brown discussed the sketch plan. Discussion was made on what a sketch plan phase is and what the next steps are. He stated he felt this was a good opportunity to work with the developer, and this development would help replace some of the old clay tiles in the sewer system. Discussion was made on the infrastructure to that property and drainage. Motion was made by Alderman Stewart and seconded by Alderman Whitman to approve the Robertson Estates Phase 2 Sketch Plan. Motion carried with a vote of 3-0. Voting aye: Aldermen Stewart, Whitman and Baird. Aldermen McEntire and Snider abstained.

Ordinance approving the Replat of Lots 4 and 5 of Northbrooke Subdivision. (1st Read)
Discussion/Vote.

Mr. Brown discussed the Replat request for Northbrooke Subdivision. Discussion was made on the 24-unit request for Lot 5, and the code requirements for that building size. Mr. Brown stated that this replat will move part of lot 4 into lot 5 to make lot 5 large enough to hold the 24-unit apartment building. Discussion was then made on the code and requirements.

Mr. Brown request that the Board amend the Agenda to add both reads to this Ordinance in order to move forward. Motion was made by Alderman Baird and seconded by Alderman Whitman to add the 2nd read to this Agenda item. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0. Voting aye: Aldermen McEntire, Snider, Stewart, Whitman and Baird.

The City Clerk conducted the first read.

Motion was made by Alderman Stewart and seconded by Alderman Snider to approve the Replat of Lots 4 and 5 of Northbrooke Subdivision. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0. Voting aye: Aldermen McEntire, Snider, Stewart, Whitman and Baird.

The City Clerk conducted the second read.

Motion was made by Alderman Baird and seconded by Alderman McEntire to approve the Replat of Lots 4 and 5 of Northbrooke Subdivision. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0. Voting aye: Aldermen McEntire, Snider, Stewart, Whitman and Baird.

New Business.

None.

Unfinished Business.

Alderman McEntire discussed the maintenance of Miller Road and the need to fix a few areas.

Mr. Brown discussed West Ridge Subdivision. Discussion was made on previous Board approvals and the status of the development.

Recess.

Motion was made by Alderman Whitman and seconded by Alderman McEntire to Recess the Open Session. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0. Voting aye: Aldermen McEntire, Snider, Stewart, Whitman and Baird.

Open Executive Session.

Motion was made by Alderman Stewart and seconded by Alderman McEntire to Open the Executive Session at 9:15 p.m. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0. Voting aye: Aldermen McEntire, Snider, Stewart, Whitman and Baird.

Close Executive Session.

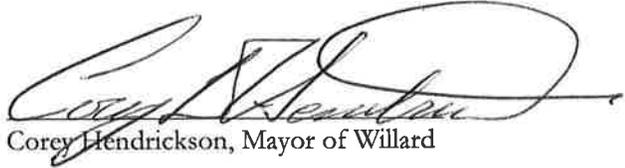
Motion was made by Alderman Stewart and seconded by Alderman Snider to Close the Executive Session. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0. Voting aye: Aldermen McEntire, Snider, Stewart, Whitman and Baird.

Adjourn.

Motion was made by Alderman Stewart and seconded by Alderman Snider to Adjourn. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0. Voting aye: Aldermen McEntire, Snider, Stewart, Whitman and Baird.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.


Jennifer Rowe, City Clerk


Corey Hendrickson, Mayor of Willard