Wellston City Council Meeting Minutes September 18, 2025

Meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by President Rick Hudson by asking everyone to stand for the Pledge. He then called for the roll call.

Councilpersons answering the roll call included: Angela Spangler; Karen Boch; Fred Duby; Walter Norris; Teresa Lemaster; and Tami Phillips. Roaby Browning was absent.

Excusal of Previous Absence(s)

• Spangler and Browning were excused from the last Council meeting.

Public Comments

none

Minutes- All in attendance voted to approve the minutes from the previous meeting.

Correspondence

none

Reports of Special Committees

- Health and Safety Committee- Lemaster- none
- Public Service Committee- Duby- none
- Planning Committee- Browning- none
- Recreation Committee- Norris- none
- Finance Committee- Spangler- Finance Committee will meet on Thursday, September 25th at 5:30 p.m.
- Community Action- Browning- none
- Civic Organization Liaison- Spangler- none

Old Business

 Lemaster asked if there could be a stop sign activation light placed at Pennsylvania and 14th.

New Business

 Phillips asked if the replacement parts and equipment have been ordered for Kelli Lambert Park.

Legislation

• Third Reading of Ordinance No. 2025-58- An Ordinance creating eight new fund line items for unemployment tax and Declaring an Emergency.

Sponsor: Browning

Discussion: No new discussion

A Motion to Adopt and Pass was made by Spangler, seconded by Boch, and approved by all in attendance.

 Third Reading of Resolution No. 2025-59- A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, Service Director, and any other necessary official to enter into an agreement for the procurement of natural gas supply services and establishing a fixed rate for municipal use.

Sponsor: Spangler

Discussion: no new discussion

A Motion to Adopt and Pass was made by Lemaster, seconded by Spangler, and approved by all in attendance.

Second Reading of Resolution No. 2025-61- A Resolution accepting and authorizing the
amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the
necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor and Declaring an
Emergency.

Sponsor: Lemaster

Discussion: No new discussion

A Motion to Suspend the Rules was made by Phillips, seconded by Lemaster, and approved by all in attendance.

A Motion to Adopt and Pass was made by Spangler, seconded by Boch, and approved by all in attendance.

 Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2025-62- An Ordinance approving Additional Appropriations in the EPA/OWDA Water Plant Project Revenue Lines from the EPA/OWDA Water Plant Project Expense Line and Declaring an Emergency.

Sponsor: Boch

Discussion: The Service Director explained that since this is a reimbursement grant, Council can expect to see multiple emergencies to pay invoices related to the new water plant until its completion.

A Motion to Suspend the Rules was made by Spangler, seconded by Boch, and approved by all in attendance.

A Motion to Adopt and Pass was made by Boch, seconded by Lemaster, and approved by all in attendance.

 Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2025-63- An Ordinance for Additional Appropriations from the General Fund to the Officer's Wages Fund

Sponsor: Boch

Discussion: No new discussion

 Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2025-64- An Ordinance for Additional Appropriations from the Water Grants and Loans Fund to the Water Supplies, Materials, and Maintenance Fund.

Sponsor: Lemaster

Discussion: No new discussion

 Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2025-65- An Ordinance approving Additional Appropriations in the Fire Laborer Wages Fund Line and the Fire Supplies, Materials, and Maintenance Fund from the Fire/EMS Calls Expense Line and Declaring an Emergency.

Sponsor: Phillips

Discussion: Hazmat reimbursement for the truck stop incident

A Motion to Suspend the Rules was made by Spangler, seconded by Boch, and approved by all in attendance.

A Motion to Adopt and Pass was made by Boch, seconded by Lemaster, and approved by all in attendance.

Second Reading of Resolution No. 2025-66- A Resolution authorizing Mayor Anthony
Brenner to prepare and submit an application to participate in the Ohio Public Works
Commission State Capital Improvement and/or Local Transportation Improvement
Program(s) and to execute contracts as required and hereby Declaring an Emergency.
Sponsor: Lemaster

Discussion: Grant submission for the Pennsylvania Avenue waterline replacement project.

A Motion to Suspend the Rules was made by Lemaster, seconded by Spangler, and approved by all in attendance.

A Motion to Adopt and Pass was made by Boch, seconded by Phillips, and approved by all in attendance.

 First Reading of Ordinance No. 2025-69- An Ordinance approving Additional Appropriations in the Fire Academy Expense Fund Line from the 201 Fire Fund Carryover and Declaring an Emergency.

Sponsor: Spangler

Discussion: The Fire Academy has generated revenue that needs to be moved to finish out the year.

Sponsor: Spangler

A Motion to Suspend the Rules was made by Lemaster, seconded by Phillips, and approved by all in attendance.

A Motion to Adopt and Pass was made by Boch, seconded by Spangler, and approved by all in attendance.

Mayor

Not present

Service Director

- Walton suspects the Union negotiations are complete. Information will be provided to the union members and then be brought to Council for a vote.
- The first Town Hall for the Street Levy will be held on Wednesday, October 2.
- The Underground Railroad marker for Berlin Crossroads will take place on Sunday.
- When asked for updates on Lake Road, Walton responded that he had none.

• It was requested to Walton that notifications be sent out when the Street Department applies grit.

Law Director

none

Auditor

Not present

City Clerk's Reports

none

Treasurer's Report

none

Recreation

Not present

Fire

Not present

Zoning/Code

Not present

Police

none

The meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Council Clerk

Council President