

City of Wellsville
411 Main
Wellsville, KS 66092

The regular meeting of the Wellsville City Council was held on Wednesday, January 8th 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Wellsville City Council meeting room located at 411 Main. Councilmen present were Luke Henry, Nichole Pruitt and Scott Hutchinson. Department heads present were City Superintendent Darien Kerr, Chief Hackler and Planning and codes official Isaac Mallory.

Councilman Rutledge and Councilman Cunningham were absent.

The pledge of allegiance and invocation were given.

Councilman Hutchinson moved to approve the consent agenda and the minutes from the previous meeting. Councilman Henry seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Lorrie Glass Coffman gave the updated report for the Chamber. She reported on the Chamber coffee and the reprinting of the visitors guide. The next Chamber meeting will be at the High School and they will be providing lunch. Trivia night is the 18th at Milestone.

Paul Bean reported that Sharice David's office will open up the applications for grants in February.

County Commissioner Don Stottlemire gave the County report.

The Mayor opened the public hearing on the assessments for Ash Street SBD. Tyler Ellsworth Bond counsel for the City of Wellsville spoke about the assessments to council.

Councilman Hutchinson moved to close the public hearing. Councilman Henry seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Councilwoman Nichole Pruitt moved to approve Ordinance 935 levying and assessing special assessments on certain lots, pieces, and parcels of land liable for special assessments to pay the costs of internal improvements. Councilman Scott Hutchinson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Mayor opened up the public hearing assessments on Sixth and Willow SBD.

Bond Counsel Tyler Ellsworth updated Council on the assessments and provided information.

Councilman Hutchinson moved to close the public hearing. Councilman Henry seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Councilman Henry moved to approve Ordinance 936 levying and assessing special assessments on certain lots for special assessments on internal improvements. Councilman Hutchinson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution 01-0108-2025 setting February 12 bond sale was brought before council for discussion.

Councilman Hutchinson moved to approve the Resolution 01-0108-2025. Councilwoman Pruitt seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution 02-0108-2025 was brought before council to annex and under the authority of KSA 12-520 on I-35 adjoining the Southernmost boundary of the City of Wellsville, including the on and off ramps from the interstate onto K-33.

Councilman Henry moved to approve Resolution 02-0108-2025. Councilman Hutchinson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The CMB license for TA Express was brought before council. Councilman Hutchinson moved to approve the CMB license. Councilwoman Pruitt seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

City Superintendent Darien Kerr gave the Public Works activity report. Council asked if Public Works could move the snow away from the hydrants for safety concerns.

Chief Hackler gave the Police activity report. He reported no major accidents over the snow storm. Chief said one officer hit a raccoon and the raccoon hit the radiator, the vehicle will need repaired. Chief said in the budget we had approved the speed-message trailer and they will be increasing prices in February, he asked permission to purchase that now before prices raise.

Councilman Hutchinson moved to approve the purchase of the message sign. Councilman Henry seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Councilwoman Nichole Pruitt made a motion to recess into executive session at 6:30 p.m. to discuss attorney client privilege and economic development pursuant to KSA 75-4319(b)(2). The open meeting will resume in the City Council chambers at 6:45 p.m. Tyler Ellsworth our bond council, Pat Burton, Isaac Mallory and Tammy Jones was asked to stay.

Councilman Pruitt moved to come out of executive session no motions were made and only the above mentioned topic was discussed. Councilman Henry seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Councilman Henry moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Pruitt seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

City Clerk
Tammy Jones