

**Regular Meeting:**

The Governing Body of the City of Wamego, Kansas, met in a Regular Session on Tuesday, July 18, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. in the City Commission Chambers at 430 Lincoln Avenue, Wamego, Kansas. Those present were Commissioners: Clifford Baughman, Richard Weixelman, William Ditto, Michele Jacobs and Mayor Thomas Beem.

Also present were City Manager, Stacie Eiche, City Clerk, Shanda Jahnke, City Treasurer, Leslie Dugan and City Attorney, Jake Pugh.

The City Clerk presented the minutes of the regular meeting of the Governing Body held July 6, 2023. After careful reading and discussion thereof, it was moved by Commissioner Baughman and seconded by Commissioner Jacobs to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

The City Clerk then submitted to the Governing Body for their consideration and approval Appropriation Ordinance No. 1673. After a careful review and discussion thereof, Commissioner Ditto moved, seconded by Commissioner Baughman, to approve and adopt Appropriation Ordinance Number 1673. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

**Public Comments and Communications:**

The next regular work session will be August 1, 2023, at 4:30 p.m.

**4<sup>th</sup> of July follow-up by the Pyro Crew:**

Chris Hupe was present to thank the Governing Body, all city departments, City Manager and volunteers for all of their hard work in making the 4<sup>th</sup> of July a success. He stated that the great partnerships with the city, school and volunteers are what makes Wamego unique. The Governing Body thanked Chris for all his and the pyro crews hard work and dedication.

**Revenue Neutral Rate (RNR):**

The City Manager advised the mill levy last year was 43.923 and she plans to match the mill levy, the revenue neutral rate that the county gave is 39.039, therefore the city would be notifying the county of the intent to exceed the revenue neutral rate.

**Set Budget Hearing:**

Stacie advised that a public hearing for the Revenue Neutral Rate (RNR) and the Budget needed to be scheduled. Commissioner Baughman moved, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs, to set the RNR and budget hearing on September 5, 2023 at 6 pm at the City Office. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

**Ballfield Proposal:**

After receiving proposals to resurface two of the playing fields at the recreation complex and the north/south diamonds, it was her recommendation to reject both proposals to re-evaluate the needs of the school and the recreation department. Commissioner Ditto moved, seconded by Commissioner Weixelman to reject both proposals. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

**LKM Voting Delegates:**

The City Manager advised the Governing Body that the city needed to designate voting delegates for the Kansas League of Municipalities Annual Conference in October. Commissioner Beem moved to have Commissioner Baughman and Commissioner Weixelman be the voting delegates and City Manager, Stacie Eichebe be the alternate voting delegate. Commissioner Jacobs seconded the motion. Motion carried Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

There were no project updates, change orders or purchase requests.

**City Manager and Other Reports:**

All the city departments are doing great. The police department currently has 4 openings with two interviews scheduled for next week. The recreation department is hiring fall officials and the last weekday of the outdoor pool will be August 11<sup>th</sup> with weekend hours still available.

At this time, Commissioner Beem moved to adjourn into executive session for five (5) minutes to discuss confidential data relating to financial affairs or trade secrets of corporations, partnerships, trusts, individual proprietorships and matters of non-elected personnel and that the meeting would reconvene at 6:30 P.M. Commissioner Ditto seconded the motion. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

No further business appearing, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

/s/ Thomas Beem, Mayor

/s/ Shanda Jahnke, City Clerk