The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

A roll call was taken, with the following results:

Present at Roll Call:

- Mayor Jim Bowlin
- Council Member Niles Stephens*
- Council Member Crystal McCune*
- Council Member Dave Bertolino*
- Council Member Jon Bopp*
- Council Member Katie Dodwell*
- Council Member Kenneth E. Remy*
- Council Member Lauren Edens*
- Council Member Larry Brost*
- Council Member Joe Garritano*
- Council Member Tim Woerther*
- Council Member Cheryl Jordan*
- Council Member Debra Smith McCutchen*
- Council Member Joe Farmer*
- Council Member Kevin Dillard*
- Council Member Don Barton*
- Council Member John Gragnani*

Absent:

Also present:

- Mr. Sam Anselm, City Administrator
- Mr. Joe Vujnic, Director of Planning and Parks
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the March 23, 2020 City Council meeting were submitted for approval. A motion was made by Council Member Farmer, seconded by Council Member Brost, to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2020 City Council meeting. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result and the motion was declared passed.

A roll call vote was taken for the approval of the March 23, 2020 City Council Meeting Minutes with the following results:
Ayes – Stephens, McCune, Bopp, Bertolino, Dodwell, Remy, Edens, Brost, Garritano, Woerther, Jordan, McCutchen, Farmer, Dillard, Barton
Nays – None
Absent – None
Abstain – Gragnani

Whereupon Mayor Bowlin declared the March 23, 2020 City Council Meeting Minutes approved.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public Participation and Hearing Procedures

There were no public speakers.

Officials’ Responses

MAYOR’S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND APPOINTMENTS

Announcements

Mayor Bowlin spoke to the Emergency High-Speed Rural Internet Initiative, which is a temporary provisional service to some of our residents in poor service areas for this time when more people are working from home and students are learning online. Mayor Bowlin will present more details from Bays ET at the next City Council Meeting.

Appointments - None

PUBLIC HEARING(S)
Director of Planning and Parks, Joe Vujich, spoke to the requested review and possible changes to the regulations for signs, and U.S. Supreme Courts decision as it affects local governments for all signs to be content neutral.

A discussion was held regarding the following: proposed changes consistent with the law, language is content neutral, political signage addressed, City retains right to control it’s right of ways and public lands with regard to signage, allows LED lighting for illumination.

A motion was made by Council Member Gragnani, seconded by Council Member Dodwell, to authorize the preparation of legislation to adopt proposed changes to the sign regulations. A voice vote was taken with a positive result, and the motion was declared passed.

A roll call vote was taken with the following results:
Ayes – McCune, Bopp, Bertolino, Dodwell, Remy, Edens, Brost, Garritano, Woerther, Jordan, McCutchen, Farmer, Dillard, Bartoni, Gragnani
Nays – None
Absent – None
Abstain – None
Whereupon Mayor Bowlin declared the motion passed.

Public Hearing Comments

There were no public comments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

BILL # 2550 AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILDWOOD, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WILDWOOD, MISSOURI TO SUBMIT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF WILDWOOD, MISSOURI AN APPLICATION WITH THE ST. LOUIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING FOR 2021 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS (CDBG); AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WILDWOOD, MISSOURI TO EXECUTE THE MUNICIPAL HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SUPPLEMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT. Recommended by the Department of Planning and Parks (First Reading) (Wards – All)

Direct Budgetary Impact: $25,500
Funding Source: Revenue Positive
A motion was made by Council Member Dodwell, seconded by Council Member McCutchen, for the first reading of Bill #2550. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result and the motion was declared passed. Bill #2550 was read for the first time by title only.

**BILL #2551** AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILDWOOD, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING THE CURRENT NAME OF THE POND-GROVER LOOP ROAD, INCLUSIVE OF ITS ENTIRETY WITHIN THIS JURISDICTION, TO BE RENAMED TO POND-GROVER PARKWAY, WHICH IS REFLECTIVE OF THE CITY’S PARK FACILITIES THAT ANCHOR EITHER END OF IT, WHILE IN KEEPING WITH THE NAMING PROTOCOLS OF THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (OEM) OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI. Recommended by the Department of Planning and Parks (First Reading) (Wards One and Five)

*Direct Budgetary Impact: Less than $10,000*

*Funding Source: Capital Improvement*

A motion was made by Council Member Gragnani, seconded by Council Member Bertolino, for the first reading of Bill #2551. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result and the motion was declared passed. Council Members Bartoni, Stephens, Edens, and Woerther voted no. Bill #2551 was read for the first time by title only.

**BILL #2552** AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING MEGAN ELDRIDGE TO THE OFFICE OF CITY CLERK FOR THE CITY OF WILDWOOD, MISSOURI; AND ESTABLISHING THE COMPENSATION OF THE CITY CLERK. Recommended by the Mayor of the City of Wildwood (First Reading) (Wards – All)

*Direct Budgetary Impact: $65,000 plus benefits*

A motion was made by Council Member Dodwell, seconded by Council Member Farmer, for the first reading of Bill #2552. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result and the motion was declared passed. Council Member McCune abstained. Bill #2552 was read for the first time by title only.

A motion was made by Council Member Dodwell, seconded by Council Member Brost, for the second reading of Bill #2552. A voice vote was taken with a positive result and the motion was declared passed. Council Members McCune and Woerther abstained. Bill #2552 was read for the second time by title only.

A roll call vote was taken for the approval of Bill #2552 with the following results:

Ayes – Bopp, Bertolino, Dodwell, Remy, Edens, Brost, Garritano, Jordan, McCutchen, Farmer, Dillard, Bartoni, Gragnani, Stephens

Nays – None

Absent – None

Abstain – Woerther, McCune

Whereupon Mayor Bowlin declared Bill #2552 approved and becomes Ordinance #2552.

**RESOLUTIONS**

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**ADJOURNMENT**
A motion was made by Council Member Farmer, seconded by Council Member Gragnani, to adjourn the meeting. A voice vote was taken with a unanimous affirmative result and the motion was declared passed. There being no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Approved this 27th day of April, 2020.

James R. Bowlin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Deputy City Clerk

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FOR INFORMATION

Department of Planning and Parks

Update on Public Input Session on Village Green Site (Ward – Eight)

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Discussion was held regarding the following: Music on Main for May will probably be cancelled; parking lots at parks remain closed, changes to school lots to adhere to social distancing, will seek guidance from St. Louis County for larger gatherings.

Availability of NEW On-Line Services during COVID-19 Coronavirus Pandemic (Wards – All)

Mayor Bowlin stated a memorandum had been provided for the City Council’s review and asked if there were any comments or questions.

Rural Internet Access Committee

Mayor Bowlin stated a memorandum had been provided for the City Council’s review and asked if there were any comments or questions.

Construction Project Updates (Wards: All)

Mayor Bowlin stated a memorandum had been provided for the City Council’s review and asked if there were any comments or questions.

FOR ACTION

Department of Planning and Parks

Permanent Turn-Around at the Terminus of Birch Forest Drive (Ward – Five)

Mayor Bowlin stated a memorandum had been provided for the City Council’s review and asked if there were any comments or questions.

Director of Planning Joe Vujnic spoke to the history and original timetable for the project, more permanent turnaround needed, original planning and bid process, budget and project costs, using TGA East fees for the project.

Discussion was held regarding the following: importance of “finished” streets, removal of temporary turnaround and restoration of surrounding property, using the fees in the area collected, TGA funds are not part of General or Capital Improvement Funds, TGA fees limited to infrastructure, emergency access and safety issues for residents, budget issues in current financial climate, delay to budget discussion mid-year.

A motion was made by Council Member McCutchen, seconded by Council Member Bertolino, to move forward with the bidding process and to use TGA East funds for the Birch Forest Turn-Around.

A motion was made by Council Member Edens, seconded by Council Member McCune to postpone the discussion until mid-year review.

An amendment to the motion was made by Council Member Stephens, seconded by Council Member Woerther, to postpone the discussion until the first meeting of the Council in December.

A roll call vote was taken on the amendment to postpone until the first meeting in December with the following results:
Ayes – Stephens, Bopp, Woerther, Jordan, Dillard, Gragnani
Nays – McCune, Bertolino, Dodwell, Remy, Edens, Brost, Garritano, McCutchen, Farmer, Bartoni
Abstain – None
Absent – None
Whereupon Mayor Bowlin declared the motion failed.

A roll call vote was taken on the motion to postpone the discussion until mid-year budget review with the following results:
Ayes – McCune, Bopp, Remy, Edens, Brost, Garritano, Woerther, Jordan, Farmer, Dillard, Bartoni, Gragnani, Stephens
Nays – Bertolino, Dodwell, McCutchen
Abstain – None
Absent – None
Whereupon Mayor Bowlin declared the motion passed.

Department of Public Works

Contractor Proposals for Removal, Treatment or Replacement of Ash Street Trees (Wards – All)

Mayor Bowlin stated a memorandum had been provided for the City Council’s review and asked if there were any comments or questions.

Director of Public Works Rick Brown spoke to the treatment of trees, removing trees without replacement, three different companies with bids not to exceed budgeted amount, project included in 2020 capital projects budget.

Discussion was held regarding the following: strategy of removal, replacement and treatment of Ash trees, advantage of treating the Ash trees every other year, no guarantee that treatment is successful, possible grants later in the year, money already in budget, consider the delay of some tree removal, accelerated progression of disease possible if removal delayed.

A motion was made by Council Member Farmer, seconded by Council Member Brost, to prepare legislation to authorize preparation of City-Contractor Agreements.

An amendment to the motion was made by Council Member Remy, seconded by Council Member Gragnani to postpone for 45 days.

A roll call vote was taken to postpone for 45 days with the following results:
Ayes – Bopp, Bertolino, Dodwell, Remy, Brost, Garritano, Woerther, Jordan, McCutchen, Farmer, Dillard, Bartoni, Gragnani, Stephens, McCune
Nays – Edens
Abstain – None
Absent – None
Whereupon Mayor Bowlin declared the motion passed.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mayor Bowlin announced Council Member Remy would provide an update on COVID-19 after the regular Council Meeting.

The Work Session went into recess at 7:06 p.m.

The Work Session reconvened at 7:45 p.m.

Discussion was held regarding the following: elective procedures delayed at medical systems in the area, Missouri COVID-19 numbers are flattening, our area has plateaued for about 10 days, number of cases on ventilators is drastically reduced; 85-90% of the cases are mild cases, most no hospitalized, very rare in children, medical facilities have enough PPE, distribution within the facility is a problem, there is low sensitivity to the test, operator dependency and some people get missed, when reintegration takes place, there will be no development of herd immunity resulting in natural spike, social distancing has allowed time to develop proper therapies.
Council Member Garritano thanked the health care professionals and the student interpreters who signed the meeting.

Council member Bartoni relayed messages of thanks from residents to the City for keeping the trails open.

Council Member Dodwell thanked the staff for making alternatives available for City Council Meetings.

Council Members Gragnani and Remy wished everyone to stay safe and healthy.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Council Member Farmer, seconded by Council Member Gragnani, to adjourn Work Session at 8:03 p.m. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result and the motion was declared passed.