

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES**  
**Public Hearing**  
**Zoning Regulations – Building Permit Fees**  
**February 12, 2018**

Mayor Cliff Harvey called the Public Hearing to order on February 12, 2018 at 5:45 p.m. Board members Rebecca Rooney, Mark Seymour, Joyce Priddy and Joyce Burch were present. Also present for the hearing was: Ben Mefford, Dennis Lau, Thomas & Shanna Gillis, Stanley Taulbee, and Beth McPherson. City staff present were: Mike Large, Stephen Cornelius, and Ed Farrand, City Treasurer.

Mayor Harvey opened the public hearing and announced we were present to discuss an increase to the building permit fees.

Thomas Gillis said that the increase would mean more cost on to the customer buying the home. Weston has had trouble with having affordable housing and the school has tried to get new families to move here. He suggested the city keep the costs as low as possible. The long-term gain is that people building and the city's tax base increases. Builders tend to build in Platte City and Smithville for a larger profit margin.

Mayor Harvey thanked Mr. Gillis for the comments. Kim Kirby reviewed the increases by category.

	Existing	New
New Construction including add-ons	\$475.00	\$525.00
Garages: Detached & Attached	\$125.00	\$175.00
Deck	\$125.00	\$150.00
Storage Sheds & Carports	\$ 15.00	\$ 20.00
Gazebos		\$125.00
Commercial Buildings	\$600.00	\$750.00
*plus .10 per square foot over 3,000 square feet		

Mr. Gillis said he has built in Dekalb, MO who charge a higher building permit fee if you don't get your permit. Mayor Harvey replied that Weston has the police department check when someone does not get a permit. Alderman Burch stated she understood that our fees are some of the lowest around; and she and the other Aldermen did try and keep them as low as possible. She felt these rates were more accommodating.

Mayor Harvey again asked for any comments from the public and the Board of Aldermen. Hearing none he announced the public hearing was closed at 5:48 p.m.

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Minutes prepared by Kim Kirby, City Clerk

Minutes approved March 12, 2018

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