CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING JANUARY 07, 2009 – 6:00PM

Mayor Nienaber called the meeting to order with a Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. The following members answered roll call, Mr. Bernie Wessels, Mr. Joe Averdick, Mr. Dave Hatter, Mr. Adam Feinauer, Mr. Scott Wall and Mr. Todd McMurtry. Also present were City Attorney Pete Summe, City Administrator Gary Huff, Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe, Police Chief Dan Kreinest, Public Works Director Tim Maloney and City Clerk Joyce Woods.

Mayor Nienaber wished everyone a Happy New Year and stated that all members, Mayor and Council would officially be sworn in for the current term. Judge Ann Ruttle was in attendance and swore all members in.

Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. McMurtry to approve the minutes of the 12/03/08 Regular Council Meeting. All members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Averdick, second by Mr. Hatter to approve the minutes of the 12/17/08 Caucus Meeting. Wessels, McMurtry and Feinauer voting in favor, Mr. Wall abstained, no one opposed. Motion passed.

First Reading Ordinance 1-09 – No Parking on Beaumont Court 150 feet from intersection of Highland Pike.

Mr. Summe read this Ordinance. Motion by Mr. Hatter, second by Mr. McMurtry to approve. Roll call vote taken, Wessels, Averdick, Feinauer and Wall voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

First Reading Ordinance 2-09 – Proposed Map Amendment – Northwest Corner Highland Pike and Kyles Lane

Mr. Wessels stated that he would like to see the new homes built to blend in with the homes already in this area. Mayor Nienaber noted that density and access could become an issue.

This change was recommended for approval by NKAPC on December 4th with conditions. This was discussed by Council and City Attorney Pete Summe. No vote taken on this Ordinance. Mayor Nienaber advised that Mr. Summe and Mr. Huff would work with Trauth Homes and research the zone change and if necessary, change the January 21st caucus meeting to a legislative meeting for action on this item.

Executive Order 1-09 – Re-Appoint Tom Litzler to TBNK

Mayor Nienaber stated that Mr. Litzler has probably served the City in this capacity since the position was created. He has been a great friend to the City and has served on many boards and committees within the City. This will be in effect from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2011. Motion by Mr. Hatter, second by Mr. Wessels to approve, roll call vote taken, Averdick, McMurtry, Feinauer and Wall voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Resolution 1-09 - Recognizing January, 2009 as School Board Member Recognition Month.

Having the offices for the Board of Education located in the City of Fort Wright is a plus for our City and we would like to honor them with this Resolution. Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. McMurtry to approve. All members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Department Reports

Fire/EMS Chief Schewe reported there was a small fire on Tuesday evening at Hot Wok on Highland Avenue. One of the fryers caught fire and was extinguished by the sprinklers. They will re-open in a day.

Chief Kreinest reminded everyone to keep their homes and cars locked. There are two crime prevention meetings scheduled on Tuesday and Wednesday on next week. Tuesday at Lookout Heights Civic Club and Wednesday at South Hills Civic Club. This will be a very useful and informative program.

Public Works Director Tim Maloney updated council on a few projects going on in the City.

The public works garage roof has been completed. The park project is also nearing completion and will be a very busy place this spring and summer. We did dodge the bullet on any measurable snow where we can save salt when possible.

City Clerk Joyce Woods reported that we were very busy at the end of December with taxes going very well. The delinquent bills were sent out on January 7th with only 85 bills pending.

City Attorney Pete Summe reported that the Ms. Classic Car Wash case was ruled on but needed more information by NKAPC. 80% ruling in the City's favor. Mr. Summe will report back at the next meeting.

Mayor Nienaber stated that the committees have been very active and will report at the caucus meeting.

Mr. Huff reported that we have received new FEMA maps. We have submitted for funds for Federal Grants for Ready Projects which we have on Vidot Court and Amsterdam Road.

Hopefully we will be taking action on a new agreement with TBNK for services from Cincinnati Bell regarding cable services.

Motion by Mr. Wessels, second by Mr. Feinauer to adjourn the meeting. All members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe Nienaber Jr., Mayor

Attest: Joyce Woods, City Clerk