

CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
01/23/02

Mayor Weaver opened the Council Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. The following members answered roll call. Mr. Adam Feinauer, Mr. Dave Hatter, Mr. Don Martin and Mr. Jim Robke. Also present were City Administrator Larry Klein, City attorney Pete Summe, Police Chief Dan Kreinest, Fire/EMS Captain Larry Schrand, Public Works Director Tim Maloney and City Clerk Joyce Woods. Mr. Wolnitzek, Mr. Hiltz and Fire/EMS Chief Schewe were unavailable for this meeting.

Motion by Mr. Martin, second by Mr. Hatter to approve the minutes of the 01/09/02 Council Meeting. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer voting in favor, Mr. Robke abstained, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Omnicare, Inc. withdrew their request for tax incentive approval at this meeting.

Mr. Mark Brueggemann, City Engineer from CDS Associates addressed Council regarding Kyles Lane and Highland Pike Corridor Plan. Mayor Weaver stated that this plan is only conceptual at this time and only a plan to look at the various traffic alternatives and conditions along Kyles Lane and Highland Pike. Mr. Brueggemann stated that he was pursuing options to have traffic flow easier from the residential areas to the main intersections. Five options were presented and discussed.

Option A – Henry Clay Avenue

Option B - Crittenden Avenue

Option C - St. Anthony Drive

Option D - Mount Vernon Area

Option E - Lorup Subdivision

The next step would be to meet with the Transportation Cabinet and get their input and present Council suggestions and ideas and bring their comments back to Council.

Second Reading of Ordinance 1-02 Establishing Compensation For The Board Of Adjustment. Mr. Summe read this Ordinance. Motion by Mr. Hatter, second by Mr. Martin to approve. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer and Robke voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Mayor Weaver advised a packet of information was distributed to Council regarding the Citywide Street Improvement Program and would like to have the full Council present before this is discussed thoroughly. Mr. Klein advised the packet has comparative

information from other surrounding communities. Mr. Robke suggested scheduling a special meeting just to discuss this program. Mayor Weaver advised either a special meeting or at a future Council meeting with only this item on the agenda. It was decided that the meeting on February 27, 2002 would be reserved for this discussion. Citizen attendance and comments would be welcomed.

Administrator Report.

The City was awarded \$1479.64 from the Federal Government Bullet Proof Vest Program. Applying for these grants is a great way to stretch the budget and provide new and upgraded equipment to our personnel.

The date for the public hearing, a PO-3 zone amendment, creating the additional use of luxury auto sales is set for February 7, 2002 at 6:15PM at the offices of Northern Kentucky Area Planning Commission. Information will also be included in the next Top of the Hill News.

ISTEA Update.

Mr. Klein advised the application for this grant would be enhanced to denote historical significance regarding where events took place in our area and the role that was played in the Civil War. This may help in the application being approved.

GASB-34 Award.

This award was given for our early implementation of GASB 34 financial reporting changes in our audit that are required by 2004.

Model Telecommunications Ordinance Update.

Draft was sent out to various telecommunication providers and changes will be made to the initial draft of the ordinance.

TBNK Additional Franchise Fees.

The City did receive a bonus this year in the amount of \$1408.91, which was exceeded from the franchise fee cap agreement that any additional revenue must be returned to local government. Thanks to Tom Litzler who delivered this check personally to the City.

Mr. Klein advised the City would be purchasing a public address system to be used at City events throughout the year. The cost should be under \$1000.00.

Committee Reports

Economic Development

The parties involved in the Dixie Gardens property, Wessels and Performance Auto Group have filed application with KC&MP&ZC for their part in the development of this property.

Legal

Mr. Berling has set up an easement for the water retention area being developed. The City would accept the lake and dam for maintenance and control. Discussion followed regarding privacy concerns and restrictions for residents in the area. Mr. Summe advised further discussion would be needed on this matter.

Mr. Summe advised a letter was sent to the attorney of Ms. Classic Car Wash that he did not think they were operating in good faith and no reply was received as of the date of this meeting.

Mayor Weaver congratulated Mr. Feinauer for his input in the GASB 34 Award.

City Clerk Joyce Woods reported 58 tax bills pending.

Public Works Director Tim Maloney reported his department working at the South Hills Civic Club and invited Council to stop in and check the progress.

Police Chief Dan Kreinest reported the Council packet contained the year-end report for the Police Department. Thank you letters from recipients of holiday treats received through the Senior Watch Program. The Kenton Regional Police Academy has started; we have 1 resident in the program. Arrests made on burglaries in the City and Chief Kreinest reminded residents to put all valuables out of view in vehicles.

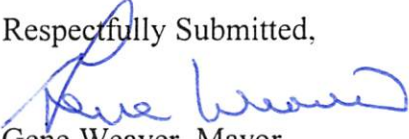
Mayor Weaver introduced and welcomed Fire/EMS Captain Larry Schrand who was sitting in for Fire/EMS Chief Schewe. Captain Schrand is an 11-year member of the Fire Department. Captain Schrand reported the Department has completed the State mandated class on Wild Land Firefighting. This is required for certification of Fire Department classification. Fire Department member Becky Finan has completed the EMS class and is available for the life squad. The Thermal Imaging Camera has been ordered at the State contract price of \$8995.00 with training included. The annual Fire Department Appreciation Dinner is scheduled for Saturday February 16, 2002.

Motion by Mr. Hatter, second by Mr. Feinauer to adjourn to executive session KRS 61.810(b)and(g). All members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.


Motion by Mr. Robke, second by Mr. Hatter to close executive session. All members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed. There was no business as a result of this session.

Motion by Mr. Robke, second by Mr. Hatter to recess legislative session. All members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,


Gene Weaver, Mayor

Attest:


Joyce Woods, City Clerk