

CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 5, 2014 – 6:00PM

Mayor Nienaber called the meeting to order at 6:04PM with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

The following members answered roll call, Mr. Dave Hatter, Mr. Bernie Wessels, Mr. Scott Wall, Mr. Joe Averdick, Mr. Dave Abeln and Mr. Adam Feinauer. Also in attendance for the meeting were City Administrator Gary Huff, City Attorney Todd McMurtry, Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe, Police Chief Dan Kreinest, Public Works Director Tim Maloney and City Clerk Joyce Woods.

Mayor Nienaber welcomed everyone in attendance.

Citizen Comments

Mr. John Donnelly a resident at 415 Lorup Avenue, addressed Council regarding the recent snow emergency that was called for the City. He thinks the residents should be better notified when cars are parked on the street and to knock on residents doors to make them aware. He received two citations for his two cars that were not moved into his driveway. Mayor Nienaber stated that if we continue to call snow emergencies we need to ticket the cars as is required by policy. The Mayor stated that he has had many calls from residents who did not get their snow removed in front of their house because of other cars parked there. If you have a driveway please put the vehicles in them for your safety and ours.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mr. Abeln, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve the minutes of the 02-05-14 Council meeting. All members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Abeln, second by Mr. Wessels to approve the minutes of the 02-19-14 Caucus meeting. All members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Old Business

Second Reading Ordinance 02-14 – An Ordinance Establishing Job Development Incentives in the city of Fort Wright, KY.

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

passed. This Ordinance will only be used when necessary. Mr. Hatter suggested to have a tracking mechanism on businesses who use this Ordinance. Mayor Nienaber advised checking these businesses periodically to make sure they are complying with the Ordinance.

Second Reading Ordinance 3-14 – An Ordinance Amending the Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance

The changes in this Ordinance were changes made by the State and we have changed to keep consistent with their changes. Mr. McMurtry read this Ordinance in summary. Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Wessels to approve. Roll call vote taken, Hatter, Wall, Averdick and Abeln voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

New Business

Resolution 03-14 – Declaring Surplus Property

This is the 2001 Chevrolet Tahoe Police Cruiser. This vehicle has many problems, floor rotting out, brake lines need replacement. This is not a safe vehicle for police service.

Motion by Mr. Hatter, second by Mr. Averdick to approve. All members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Resolution 07-14 – A Resolution Demanding Funds from \$302 Billion Federal Highway Repair Program be allocated to Fund New Interstate 71/75 Bridge Over the Ohio River

Mr. Hatter read this Resolution in summary. There was one amendment in Section 1, which reads allocated to fully fund the new Interstate 71/75 Bridge over the Ohio River. Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Hatter to approve. Roll call vote taken, Wessels, Wall, Averdick and Abeln voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed. Mayor Nienaber encouraged residents to call the city building if they are displeased with Council passing Resolution 07-14.

Discussion of the TIF District Update

NKAPC did pass unanimously the decision to participate in our TIF District. There was much discussion by NKAPC that increase in property value in the City of Fort Wright will benefit the rest of the citizens of Kenton County. Property value in the City will benefit all organizations that receive revenue from property taxes. This will be done by Ordinance. Mr. Huff stated that we will try to schedule a meeting of the TIF Board prior to the next caucus meeting. More discussion is needed.

Administrator Report

The Finance Committee is reviewing the upcoming budget and we will try to have a draft copy at the caucus meeting. Proposing two goals in this budget, to pay off all debt including the Storer Property which would be a \$350,000.00 payment and a major road project, including Basswood, E. Crittenden and Cumberland Avenues. This will cost about 1.1 million dollar project that is well overdue.

Mr. Wessels suggested that we should have a meeting with KDOT regarding Kyles Lane.

Attorney Todd McMurtry advised that he is working on the snow emergency Ordinance.

Mr. Maloney thanked everyone for the help Public Works received during the snow falls that were very numerous this season.

The art work that was done on Day's Inn on the backside has been whited out.

Mr. Feinauer stated that he thinks the Fallen Soldier Memorial is a great idea and a tribute to all who died in the line of duty.

Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Abeln 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