

## CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY COUNCIL MEETING

05/04/11 – 6:00PM

Mayor Nienaber opened the meeting at 6:02PM with a Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

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

Mayor Nienaber stated that Councilmember Joe Averdick underwent major surgery and was progressing well and in good spirits. Keep him in your prayers and hope that he has a quick recovery and able to be back in June.

### Approval of Minutes

04/06/11 Council Minutes will be tabled until a future meeting.

### 04/20/11 Caucus Meeting

Motion by Mr. Hatter, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve the minutes of the 04/20/11 Caucus Meeting. All members voting in favor, no one opposed, Mr. Wall abstained. Motion passed.

### Ordinance 4-11 – Second Reading – Zoning Case 2029R – Dickmann's – Stage I Development Plan

Mr. Summe read this Ordinance in summary. Motion by Mr. Hatter, second by Mr. Wall to approve. Roll call vote taken, Wessels, McMurtry and Feinauer voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed. There will be no live bands and speakers will be turned away from the residential area.

Mayor Nienaber was asked by TBNK to have anyone who has a Smart Phone to please turn it off as they are interfering with the sound for the broadcast of the meeting.

#### Ordinance 2-11 – Second Reading Amended 2010-2011 Budget

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

#### Ordinance 3-11 – Second Reading Proposed 2011-2012 Budget

Mr. Summe read this Ordinance in summary.

Mayor Nienaber stated that there have been some unforeseen expenses regarding the dispatch fees for the coming year. Mr. Huff stated that our carryover balance is going down by \$500,000.00 with \$250,000.00 being spent on keeping the roads passable. We have not had a road project for three years and have Municipal Road Aid funds available for this work.

Mr. Hatter addressed Council and explained the spreadsheet that he had previously sent to Council concerning the new budget. Based on the best calculations if we take the full 4% property tax increase this year we will collect about \$40,700.00 in new revenue. If raises and health insurance increases are factored in and the increase of the dispatch fees, we will be starting out with a deficit of \$11,000.00. Mr. Hatter proposed that we take the 2% raises out of the budget and will have a barely positive number of \$15,000.00 based strictly on the property taxes. Anyone with any ideas on how to find new revenue sources is encouraged to come forward. Discussion followed.

Motion by Mr. Hatter, second by Mr. McMurtry to approve the 2011-2012 Budget with the deletion of the 2% pay raise for employees. Roll call vote taken, Wessels, Feinauer and Wall voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

#### Resolution 3-11 – Setting Fees For Police Department Fees and Reports

Chief Kreinest previously brought before Council a proposal regarding charging for copies of accident reports, fingerprinting cards and copies of photos on CD or DVD. Motion by Mr. Wessels, second by Mr. Hatter to approve this Resolution. Roll call vote taken McMurtry, Feinauer and Wall voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

## Administrator's Report

Mr. Huff met with Parks and Recreation Committee regarding the picnic for The City of Fort Wright celebration of the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. This will be held on June 4<sup>th</sup> at Battery Hooper Park from 3-8:00PM. The City will provide the food and soft drinks and beer will be available. We hope everyone will join in the celebration.

## Department Reports

Fire/EMS Chief Schewe reported that the Memorial Day Service will be on May 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM at the City Building. Anyone who knows of a Fort Wright resident that has previously or is now serving and has not contacted the City regarding having a memorial brick placed at the Veteran's Memorial please let us know.

Police Chief Dan Kreinest reported that the Police Department monthly report was distributed and crime seems to be down with all the rain that we have had, it seems to be keeping people indoors.

City Clerk Joyce Woods reported that we have received nine delinquent tax bills since the first part of April which is a good return for this time of the year. The South Hills Civic Club has been very busy with rentals for the summer.

Mayor Nienaber reminded everyone with Memorial Day coming up the end of May, to keep all Veterans and current military personnel in your thoughts.

Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. McMurtry 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