

CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY CAUCUS MEETING

MAY 18, 2011 – 6PM

Mayor Nienaber opened the meeting with a Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. Present at the meeting were Mr. Bernie Wessels, Mr. Scott Wall, Mr. Dave Hatter and Mr. Adam Feinauer. Also in attendance were City Administrator Gary Huff, City Attorney Pete Summe, Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe, Police Sergeant Marc Schworer, Public Works Director Tim Maloney and City Clerk Joyce Woods.

Mayor Nienaber updated Council on Councilmember Joe Averdick's condition after surgery and advised that he did get to come home but it will be an extended recovery. Also Specialist Dean Russell had emergency surgery to remove his appendix, but is home and doing well. Please keep them both in your thoughts and prayers.

Vision Committee

Tom Jacober, Margie Witt, Ann Flood and Councilmember Adam Feinauer, members of the Vision Committee were in attendance at tonight's meeting to discuss with Council if this committee should continue to stay together with the economic downturn affecting everyone. Mr. Jacober reported that since the street tax did not pass in November, funding will not be available for any major projects in the near future. Different options were discussed regarding the committee and some suggestions were that they could shift their focus and give the City ideas on how to raise extra funds for the City. Mayor Nienaber stated we need to find a way to reach people concerning upcoming plans other than just through regular council meetings. Mr. Jacober stated that the Vision Committee thinks that this committee is a good tool for the City and would like to keep it together.

Mayor Nienaber advised that we would forward the ongoing list that the committees have been working on to develop additional and increased revenue for the City. Mayor Nienaber and Mr. Huff will address the committee and explain the details to the members that were not at tonight's meeting. Mr. Roger Schroeder was also present for the meeting, but arrived later.

CC Zone – Economic Development Committee

Mr. Wessels explained that the Proposed Text Amendment to the Fort Wright Zoning Ordinance, Attachment A (third draft) was included in the packet for review. The changes lined out would affect some property owners but would allow for smaller retail uses and the restrictions for flat roofs should be deleted. Mayor Nienaber suggested that we expand uses in the CC Zone and keep some of the aesthetics. This will go before Council at the June 1, 2011 meeting.

Chronic Nuisance Ordinance

This has been discussed by the Community Preservation Committee and Mr. Feinauer advised that they have looked at Ordinances from different cities. Mr. Summe stated that an option is to pass the Ordinance and appoint a board to set fines etc. and a need to create a channel to get fines issued in a reasonable time frame. Mr. Summe advised that he will research what the State allows cities to enforce and report back to Council.

Hope Box Derby

This will take place on September 17, 2011 at Wright's Summit with more info to follow.

Public Works

Mr. Maloney reported that he had previously approached Council regarding adjusting Jeff Bethell's hourly rate to bring it up to where it should be. Mr. Bethell was started at a lower rate and has been with the City since September, 2005 and Council agreed.

Mr. Maloney had sent a memo out to Mayor and Council regarding the resurfacing of George Huser Drive. The Highway Department is resurfacing Dixie Highway and Park Road and he would like to coordinate George Huser Drive being done at the same time. Three bids were received with Eaton Asphalt being the lowest bid of \$18,533.90, and if Council agrees it will be done this weekend. Eaton Asphalt will not bill until after July 1st when the new budget is in effect. Council agreed that this would be the best plan

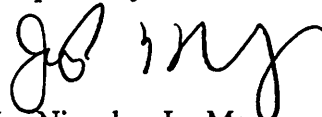
NKAPC (Council Budget Committee) – Councilman Wessels

Mr. Wessels as a representative to this committee explained the meeting procedure. Discussion followed and Mayor Nienaber stated that he would send the budgets from Boone County

Planning Commission and from Northern Kentucky Area Planning Commission for Council to compare and review.

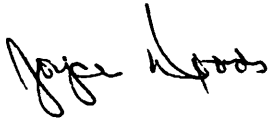
Motion by Mr. Hatter, second by Mr. Feinauer to adjourn the meeting. All members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed

Respectfully Submitted,



Joe Nienaber Jr., Mayor

Attest:



Joyce Woods, City Clerk