

CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
6/01/05 – 6:00PM

Mayor Gene 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. Paul Hiltz, Mr. Jeff Wolnitzek and Mr. Matt Barker. Also present were City Administrator Larry Klein, City Attorney Pete Summe, Police Chief Dan Kreinest, Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe, Public Works Director Tim Maloney and City Clerk Joyce Woods. Mr. Joe Nienaber Jr. was unavailable for this meeting.

There were no citizen comments.

Motion by Mr. Hiltz, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve the minutes of the 05/04/05 Tax Increment District Public Hearing. Roll call vote taken, Hatter and Wolnitzek voting in favor, Mr. Barker abstained, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Hiltz, second by Mr. Hatter to approve the minutes of the 05/04/05 Municipal Road Aid Public Hearing. Roll call vote taken, Wolnitzek and Feinauer voting in favor, Mr. Barker abstained, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Hiltz, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve the minutes of the 6/01/05 regular Council meeting. Roll call vote taken, Hatter and Wolnitzek voting in favor, Mr. Barker abstained, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Second Reading of Ordinance 6-05 Amending FYE 2004/2005 Annual Budget
Mr. Summe read this Ordinance in summary. Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Hiltz to approve. Roll call vote taken, Hatter, Wolnitzek and Barker voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Second Reading of Ordinance 7-05 Adopting FYE 2005/2006 Annual Budget
Mr. Summe read this Ordinance in summary. Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Hatter to approve. Roll call vote taken, Hiltz, Wolnitzek and Barker voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Second Reading of Ordinance 8-05 Adopting Stage I Development Plan
This Ordinance allows Wal-Mart to expand the building 4,200 square feet on the Highland Pike side for additional layaway space. Mr. Summe read this Ordinance in summary. Motion by Mr. Hiltz, second by Mr. Hatter to approve. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Wolnitzek and Barker voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Second Reading of Ordinance 9-05 – Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance

This Ordinance amends the City's alcohol beverage ordinance and permits the sale of alcohol "by the drink" from Sunday at midnight to 2:30AM on Mondays.

Mr. Summe read this Ordinance in summary. Motion by Mr. Hiltz, second by Mr. Hatter to approve.

Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Wolnitzek and Barker voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Ordinance 10-05 – Building and Zoning Fee Schedule

This will amend the City's building and zoning fee schedule pursuant to NKAPC's recommendations for the One Stop Shop program which begins July 1st, 2005. Mr. Summe read this Ordinance in summary and advised that since there is not enough time to have the required two readings, we will declare an emergency because there are no other scheduled meetings before enactment on July 1st. Motion by Mr. Hiltz, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve. Roll call vote taken, Hatter, Wolnitzek and Barker voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Municipal Order – 2-05 – Advanced Life Support (ALS) Contract

Mr. Summe read this Municipal Order. Discussion followed regarding a mutual aid agreement with surrounding cities. Motion by Mr. Hatter, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve. Roll call vote taken, Hiltz, Wolnitzek and Barker voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Municipal Order – 3-05 – Acquisition Policy for Museum

Mr. Summe read this Municipal Order. This adopts the City policy for accepting artifacts and other items for the Civil War Museum. Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Hiltz. Roll call vote taken, Hatter, Wolnitzek and Barker voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

HOC and NSC Zone Text

HOC and NSC zones in the City are basically in the KY 17 and Orphanage Road and Highland Pike area. Late last year we amended our CC text which included Speedway, Arby's, UDF, to further define banks etc. and taking out the term "other financial institutions". Mr. Klein advised he thought it was a good idea to look into changing this on the property across the street from the Wal-Mart property so there are not multiple types of businesses like the one located there now. Discussion followed. The next step would be to prepare a text amendment and submit it to NKAPC for recommendation and a public hearing. This would come back to Council for final approval. Council agreed to move forward.

Cinergy Foundation Grant Application for Archaeological Excavation

Mr. Klein asked for Council's permission to apply for a Cinergy Foundation grant in the amount of \$3000.00 to be used toward further archaeological excavation of Battery Hooper. This money would go toward digs that would be open to the public and also college students or intern digs to aggressively pursue the excavation and fact-finding. There is no cash match or other contribution to attain this grant. Council agreed that this is a good idea.

Edna Lane Storm Sewer Outfall

Excess dirt from the Barbara Circle project has become available and Tim had a good idea to help eliminate a small pool in the area between the Edna Lane storm water outfall and the detention lake in the Nature Center. We did receive an estimate from the contractor to extend the pipe from the outfall out into the lake under the level of water. The cost of this was close to \$50,000.00. Mayor Weaver suggested that Mr. Maloney and Mr. Brueggemann get together and decide on a design and price and come back with something at the next meeting.

Administrator Report

Police Department Re-Accreditation

Letter from the Chief's Association is included in the Council packet formally notifying the City of Accreditation certification. Mr. Klein advised that this is a great compliment to the City and Police Department, Chief Kreinest and all the officers for all the hard work done in this process. All policy and procedure has been reviewed.

Civil War Museum Open June 30, 2005 at 10:00AM

Just a reminder that the museum will open on June 30th at 10AM to the public. We will be posting regular hours and volunteers will be staffing the museum. Hours will be posted on the website and in the Top of the Hill News. The Public Works Department has done an outstanding job on the property, both inside and out. The formal dedication will be on August 20th at 10:00AM. This will be a two day event open to the public.

Museum Board Update

Several people who have volunteered have expressed an interest on being on the Museum Board. This will be an advisory body between the museum and the City. At next months Council meeting Mr. Klein advised he will present a list of people to make up the Board and this will be from five to eight or nine people. There are very knowledgeable people interested in the Board and Mr. Klein will be the liaison.

Kyles Lane Detour

Old Kyles Lane between the City Building and KY 17 will be closed for 120 days except to local traffic. This will be for re-construction to remove a site distance problem down around Valley Drive. The road will be improved and much safer.

Street Opening Permit Update

A few months ago we brought a Street Opening Permit Ordinance to City Council to require a standard for utility companies and private individuals who need to open a street, sidewalk or any private right-of-way. This gives them standards on how to restore that area. Mr. Klein with Fort Thomas to review their Ordinance and NKAPC to see about establishing a model Ordinance. We are in the process of coming up with a good proposal and will come back to Council with this Ordinance.

Old Horsebranch Road

No new information from the Highway Department on this repaving project.

Adopt-A-Military-Unit Update

Mr. Klein attended a program at Fort Campbell on May 26th which included their annual Field Parade Review which included 15,000 soldiers. This was a very impressive program and an honor to be there for this presentation.

Nature Center Project Update

Eagle Scouts planted trees around the lake and started clearing around the falls. This was a minimal investment by the City and major improvements by the Boy Scouts. Compliments to all who worked on this project.

Memorial Day Ceremony

Unfortunately the weather didn't cooperate but the turnout was pretty good. Colonel Charles Pangburn was the speaker this year and was very impressive. Thanks to Floyd Hastings and his group, the Caution Quartet, for supplying the music.

September 11th Commemoration

We would like to get Council's thoughts on a way to commemorate September 11th this year so that we can prepare for this day. Mr. Feinauer liked the idea of the flags in front of each residence. Mayor Weaver advised that we will keep this item on the agenda to get feedback. Mr. Barker suggested putting an article in the Top of the Hill News asking for suggestions from residents.

Council Committee Reports

Community Affairs

Mr. Feinauer reminded everyone of some important dates coming up, Flag Day, June 14th, Father's Day, June 19th, and 4th of July. Please fly your flag.

Legal Matters- Ms. Classic Car Wash/Lorup Sewer Easements

One of the easements for the Lorup Sewer Project had to be taken to a motion and will come up next Monday.

Long Range Plan

At the last Vision Committee meeting it was decided to survey the original focus group participants from 2002, on the vision statement, the long range plan and the original list of projects and ideas to get feedback on how we were doing. These results will be made available to Council.

. Department Reports

Mr. Maloney advised one of the Public Works crew, Chris Zerhusen has left and went to Fort Mitchell.

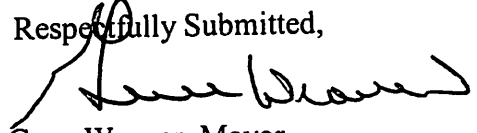
Fire/EMS Chief Schewe congratulated three new volunteer EMT that have successfully passed the testing and are available for duty to the department. They are Deanna Aslege, Drew Averdick and Meghan Manley. Two firefighters have completed their training; they are Bob Hug and Willie Overman. Welcome part-time firefighter Steve Corry.

Chief Kreinest advised there is an advertisement in the paper for a replacement for Jamie Puthoff. He would like to have as many qualified applicants as possible. A reminder that school is out and would like to encourage everyone to drive carefully and wear your seat belts.

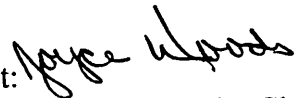
Mr. Klein reminded everyone that there will be a sneak preview for invited guests on June 29th from 5-7:30PM at the museum. Invitations will be sent out.

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

Respectfully Submitted,


Gene Weaver, Mayor

Attest:


Joyce Woods, City Clerk