



**City of Fort Wright Council Meeting
Wednesday, August 1st, 2018 6:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hatter opened the council meeting at 6:00 PM with a Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

The following members answered roll call: Mr. Dave Abeln, Mr. Adam Feinauer, Mr. Mike Hoerlein, Mr. Scott Wall, and Ms. Margie Witt.

Also present for the meeting were: City Administrative Officer Jill Bailey, City Attorney Kyle Winslow, City Engineer Mark Brueggemann, Police Sergeant George Kruetzjans, Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe, Public Works Director Jeff Bethell, and City Clerk Susan Ellis

Mr. Bernie Wessels was not available for the meeting.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no Citizen Comments.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Wall to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2018 Council Meeting. Roll call vote taken, Mr. Abeln, Mr. Feinauer, Mr. Hoerlein, Mr. Wall, and Ms. Witt voting in favor; no one opposed. Motion passed.

Approval of Council Minutes for the July 18, 2018 Municipal Road Aid Hearing and the July 18, 2018 Caucus Meeting were tabled until the next Council Meeting on September 5, 2018.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Second Reading of Ordinance 9-18 Amending the Fort Wright Zoning Ordinance to Adopt the Alternative Regulations for Map Amendments Set Forth in KRS 100.2111

Mr. Winslow read the ordinance. Motion by Mr. Abeln, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve. Roll call vote taken, Mr. Abeln, Mr. Feinauer, Mr. Hoerlein, Mr. Wall, and Ms. Witt voting in favor; no one opposed. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 8-18A Authorizing the Acquisition of Real Property Owned by the For Wright, Kentucky, Public Properties Corporation

Ms. Bailey provided background on the Fort Wright Public Properties Corporation. The corporation is no longer needed so this resolution is the first step in the dissolution of the corporation. Mr. Winslow further explained that the city building is owned by the corporation and this process would transfer ownership to the City. The first step is for council to allow the acquisition and the second step is to authorize the transfer to the City. Mr. Wall inquired about the reason for creating the corporation. Mr. Winslow responded that it might have been for bonding, however it is better for the building to be in City's name. Ms. Bailey said that she spoke to former mayor and former city administrator Joe Nienaber, Sr. and he told her that the purpose was for housing the title and for bonding requirements. The building had been paid off a long time ago so there was no further purpose for the corporation. She also stated that the City needed to make sure that there was no additional property under this corporation. Mr. Feinauer responded that the South Hills Civic Club was donated to the city and that the Civil War Museum was acquired through a loan.

Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Wall to approve. Roll call vote taken, Mr. Abeln, Mr. Feinauer, Mr. Hoerlein, Mr. Wall, and Ms. Witt voting in favor; no one opposed. Motion passed.

Resolution 8-18B Authorizing the Acquisition of Real Property Owned by the For Wright, Kentucky, Public Properties Corporation

Mr. Winslow read the resolution. Motion by Ms. Witt, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve. Roll call vote taken, Mr. Abeln, Mr. Feinauer, Mr. Hoerlein, Mr. Wall, and Ms. Witt voting in favor; no one opposed. Motion passed.

Mr. Winslow commented that the articles of dissolution would come later.

CAO REPORT

Ms. Bailey referred to her report in the council meeting packet. She said there were no additions. A discussion followed regarding property tax calculations and deadlines for billings. The City is targeting October for sending out the tax bills just as in previous years.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administration/Finance

City Clerk Susan Ellis provided updates to her report. The accounting software upgrade has been installed. She has received both the property and personal property tax rolls and will be working on those next week.

Fire/EMS Department

Fire Chief Steve Schewe announced that the kitchen renovation is about 95% completed. The Fire Department experienced mechanical issues with both ambulances being down from about 6:30 pm July 31, 2018 until about 6:00 pm August 1, 2018. He said that he is moving ahead with specs on new ambulance. Mr. Hoerlein asked if the Fire Department had checked GovDeals for an ambulance. Chief Schewe replied that he had not as he had concerns about the conditions of the vehicles and the impracticality of obtaining a vehicle that may be some distance away. He stated that the County has two backup ambulances and usually one is available.

Police Department

Sergeant George Kreutzjans reported that the Women's Self Defense Class had eighteen participants and went well. On behalf of Chief Marc Schworer, he expressed his appreciation to Sergeant Jonathan Colwell, Officer Robert Griffin, and Boone County Deputy Amy Schworer for their participation and assistance with the class. The Police Department will be surplusing a 2010 Dodge Charger. Officer Taylor Bellau will graduate on Friday, August 4, 2018 and then begin the field training process on Monday, August 6, 2018. Mayor Hatter invited Officer Bellau to the next council meeting to congratulate her and introduce her to the City.

Public Works/Engineering

Public Works Director Jeff Bethell reported that they have been working on hot patch this month and making significant progress. They had storm damage cleanup from the recent storms. The Amsterdam road gas main is in and now they are waiting on Duke to complete the service tie ins. The 2018 Street Project was scheduled to begin August 2, 2018 but the rain has pushed the start date back until next week. Prisoner workers have been utilized for weed eating and trash collection. Mr. Feinauer asked if the power line poles Redwood and Morris would be moved again? Mr. Bethell responded that he believes they will but will double check with Marty Hellmann. Mayor Hatter asked about the re-evaluation of the 5-year street plan? Mr. Bethell responded that Marty Hellmann and Mark Brueggemann are working on that and it would be discussed at the next caucus meeting. Mr. Hoerlein inquired if there had been an update regarding the retaining wall on CT Consultant's report. Ms. Bailey responded that the Condo Association was being allowed 60 days for a review to be completed by their Geotech.

Legal Counsel – no report

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Ms. Margie Witt – no report

Mr. Adam Feinauer – no report

Mr. Dave Abeln – Mr. Abeln reminded everyone that school would be starting soon and that traffic patterns would be changing as a result.

Mr. Mike Hoerlein – no report

Mr. Scott Wall – no report

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Hatter announced that the Hopebox Derby will be September 8, 2018 and is a great family-oriented event. The City needs a driver for its car. Drivers must be at least 18 years old and meet a weight restriction.

Mayor Hatter reminded everyone that this is an election year and that the filing deadline for the November ballot is August 14, 2018. He encouraged all council members to run again.

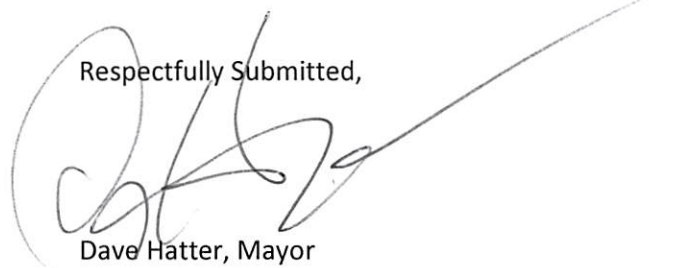
Mayor Hatter shared a letter of appreciation to Chief Schworer for services provided by the Fire Department.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Abeln, second by Mr. Hoerlein to adjourn the council meeting. Mr. Dave Abeln, Mr. Adam Feinauer, Mr. Mike Hoerlein, Mr. Scott Wall, Ms. Margie Witt, voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

The council meeting was adjourned at 6:39 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, likely belonging to Dave Hatter, Mayor.

Dave Hatter, Mayor

Attest:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, likely belonging to Susan Ellis, City Clerk.

Susan Ellis, City Clerk