

CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

8/05/09 – 6:00PM

Mayor Nienaber called the meeting to order with a Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. The following members answered roll call, Mr. Dave Hatter, Mr. Bernie Wessels, Mr. Adam Feinauer, Mr. Joe Averdick, Mr. Todd McMurtry and Mr. Scott Wall. Also present were City Administrator Gary Huff, City Attorney Pete Summe, Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe, Police Chief Dan Kreinest, Public Works Director Tim Maloney and City Clerk Joyce Woods.

There were no Citizen Comments

Approval of Minutes – 07/15/09 – Special Council Meeting

Motion by Mr. Averdick, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve the minutes of the 07/15/09 Special Meeting. All members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Second Reading – Ordinance 13-09 – Fixing the Penalty for Non-Moving Violations

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

Mr. Hatter suggested putting an article in the Top of The Hill News to make residents aware that this Ordinance has been passed and fees will be rising.

Mayor Nienaber stated that we have a couple of Proclamations to present to Eagle Scouts Austin Adams and Tony Gerrein; these Scouts have completed projects in the City. Austin Adams constructed and installed birdhouses in the Nature Center, and he was presented with a

proclamation by the Mayor and August 6, 2009 was proclaimed Austin Adams Day in Fort Wright. Tony Gerrein constructed a porch and patio on the southwest side of the museum. He was presented with a proclamation and August 7, 2009 was proclaimed Tony Gerrein Day in Fort Wright.

Mayor Nienaber stated that this is a great contribution to the City.

Discussion and Resolution 8-09 – RE: Tenth Amendment of the United States Constitution

Mr. Hatter stated that the purpose of the Resolution is to support Kentucky BR54 as written and sponsored by Representative Stan Lee. One of the key areas where the whole concept of States rights in the 10th Amendment seems to have been lost. Mr. Summe read this Resolution. Motion by Mr. Hatter, second by Mr. Wall to approve. Roll call vote taken, Wessels, Averdick, McMurtry and Feinauer voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Resolution 7-09 – RE: Surplus Property – Fire Department

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

Administrator's Report

Just a reminder to Council regarding the Hope Box Derby, flyer included in the packet. This will take place on September 12, 2009 at Wright's Summit Business Park. Mr. Maloney has picked up the car and we will be assembling it soon. There is room for ten sponsors on the car, and six have been sold to defray the cost of the car.

Mr. Huff advised that he is working with Mr. Hatter to try and update technology in the Council Chambers regarding using monitors to try to get rid of some of the paperwork. Mr. Huff stated that he will report back to Council on this issue.

Department Reports

Fire/EMS Chief Schewe reported that the Thermal Imaging Camera that was purchased with the Grant funds has been received and installed in 751.

There will be a new fire recruit class starting next week at the Kenton County Drill Field. There are three new recruits signed up for this class and two members attending the EMT class.

Police Chief Dan Kreinest reported that there has been an increase in theft from cars, especially in the apartment complexes. Don't leave valuable items in cars and lock your vehicle when it is not occupied.

There is a new program called Nixie that the Chief has been looking at to alert citizens of breaking news and developments. You can sign up online for this program and alerts will sent out instantly. This also includes email, twitter etc.

Mayor Nienaber stated that there have been solicitations in the neighborhoods recently. All vendors need to have a license to sell and if you have doubts about anyone that comes to your door, please call the police to have them checked out.

Legal

Mr. Summe reported that Ms. Classic Car Wash is refining the agreement and the traffic control device will be constructed at the expense of the owners. The Midwest Media billboard suit was appealed and the letter received by Mr. Summe is favorable that the court's decision will be upheld regarding the local courts decision.

Public Works Director Tim Maloney reported that Nick Zumnick has returned from medical leave and is doing well. Tim, Jeff and the rest of City personnel are glad to have him back. The Vidot/St. Agnes project has been held up by rain, but the residents have been very understanding and the second pour of concrete was done today. If any of the residents have any concerns, call the City Building and we will try to explain what is going on.

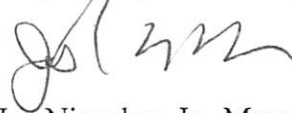
The work on Highland Avenue at the road slide is being done by the City of Covington and has offered to have Fort Wright included on their contract to replace guardrail in our City approximately 600 ft. for \$15,500.00. This is not in the budget, but there is \$10,000.00 in the crack sealing program that we can forego and use the money for this project. Since this is a safety situation we need to complete this work for all residents that use this road.

Mr. Averdick commented on the letter received from the Sanitation District regarding residential billing each month instead of quarterly, and advised citizens that if they have any questions they need to call the Sanitation District with questions.

Mr. Hatter reminded everyone of the Hoxworth van that will be at the City Building on August 20th from 1-7PM and no appointment is necessary to donate.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Nienaber, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

Joe Nienaber, Jr., Mayor

Attest:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joyce Woods", written in a cursive style.

Joyce Woods, City Clerk