

## CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY MEETING MINUTES

08/22/01

Mayor Weaver opened the Council meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and silent prayer. The following members answered roll call, Mr. Adam Feinauer, Mr. Dave Hatter, Mr. Don Martin, Mr. Jim Robke and Mr. Jeff Wolnitzek. Also present were City Administrator Larry Klein, City Attorney Pete Summe, Police Chief Dan Kreinest, Fire Inspector Steve Schewe and City Clerk Joyce Woods. Mr. Paul Hiltz and Public Works Director Tim Maloney were unavailable for this meeting.

There were no citizen comments.

Motion by Mr. Martin, second by Mr. Wolnitzek to approve the minutes of the 08/03/01 Special Council Meeting. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer and Hatter voting in favor, Mr. Robke abstained, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Robke, second by Mr. Wolnitzek to approve the minutes of the 08/08/01 Council Meeting. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer and Martin voting in favor, Mr. Hatter abstained, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Second Reading of Ordinance 8-01 Establishing Waste Fees of \$97.20 For The Year Beginning July 1, 2001 And Ending June 30, 2002 In The City Of Fort Wright, Kentucky. Mr. Summe read this Ordinance in summary. Motion by Mr. Robke, second by Mr. Hatter to approve. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Martin and Wolnitzek voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Second Reading of Ordinance 9-01 Fixing The Tax Rate For The Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2001 and Ending June 30, 2002 Upon Real Estate Of .1820, Personal And Mixed Property Of .2180 In The City Of Fort Wright, Kentucky, And Fixing The Time And Payment And Penalty For Non-Payment Of Same. Mr. Summe read this Ordinance in summary. Motion by Mr. Martin, second by Mr. Robke to approve. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Hatter and Wolnitzek voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Second Reading of Ordinance 10-01 Establishing A Stop Sign At The Intersection Of Longmeadow Lane And Stonewell Trail And A Stop Sign At The Intersection Of Stonewell Trail And Parkside Place. Mr. Summe read this Ordinance in summary. Motion by Mr. Robke, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve. Roll call vote taken, Hatter, Martin and Wolnitzek voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Mr. Klein addressed Council regarding the guardrail at the Fort Wright Nature Center. Mike Strohm of the Nature Center Planning Board provided a sketch of the proposed

guardrail for the parking lot. This would provide an area for visitors to sit and also keep cars from backing into the grass area. The cost would be around \$500.00 total and there is money in the budget for this year for the Nature Center. The Public Works Department can install this guardrail. Motion by Mr. Martin, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve. Roll call vote taken, Hatter, Robke and Wolnitzek voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Robke, second by Mr. Martin to adopt municipal Order 11-01, a policy prohibiting racial profiling. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Hatter and Wolnitzek voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed. Mr. Klein advised that notice was sent by the State that the City has to adopt a racial profiling policy within 180 days of distribution. If we do not comply we are in danger of losing our KLEPF incentive funds paid to our Police and Firefighters.

Mr. Klein reported on the following:

#### Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment – Political Signs.

Application has been submitted to KCMP&ZC to review the size allowed for political signs and property owner permission to place signs on their property. The Public Hearing is scheduled for September 6, 2001 at 6:15PM and their staff will come back with a recommendation.

#### Fire/EMS Chief Position Opening.

The deadline for Fire/EMS Chief position has been extended until August 22, 2001 until 5PM. Interviews will be scheduled with applicants after the deadline date.

#### Comprehensive Plan Map Update.

Some of the recommendations sent to the NKAPC by the City have been approved or disapproved by their staff through the review process. The City was not aware of these actions until a fax was received from someone outside of the NKAPC with these recommendations. Mr. Klein advised he would be attending the committee meeting at 8:30AM on Thursday August 23, 2001 to explain to the sub-committee why the City wanted these particular changes. The final hearing process is not until October. Council would like Mr. Klein to advise NKAPC of our feelings on this issue of not being notified.

Mr. Mark Morgan of Sherrill D. Morgan Associates Inc. addressed Council regarding the Section 125 Plan for City employees. Mr. Morgan described the options involved in the 125 Plan. The City now participates in a Premium Only Plan in which the employee pays to upgrade his or her benefits. Discussion followed and Mayor Weaver advised Mr. Klein to look into other Cities that participate in all three options of this plan and find out how this works for their Cities and report back to Council and the Personnel Committee.

Mr. Klein advised Council that the Kenton County Mayor's Group would be reviewing a presentation by a company showing modular components for a skate park. If anyone is interested in this presentation it will be Thursday September 6, at 1PM at Holiday Inn, Cincinnati.

## Committee Reports:

### Computer Technology.

Mr. Hatter reported a meeting was held at 5PM before the Council meeting tonight and had pricing on three desktop and one notebook computer. Considering the price of these items we will only be spending about half of the amount budgeted. Numerous updates to the website have been added and the process to have access to forms on the computer was discussed.

### 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee.

Mr. Hatter thanked everyone who has been helping with the planning of the Anniversary Celebration. Things are coming together for the day with somewhat of a fixed agenda. The parade will start at 11AM, festivities starting at the City Building at 1PM, displays, games etc. The day will close with the Newport Ragtime Band at 5PM. Door prizes will be awarded at the end of the evening.

Mayor Weaver advised all help is needed and welcomed.

City Clerk Joyce Woods advised 2001 Property Tax Bills would be printed and sent out at the end of September or the beginning of October.

Mayor Weaver advised he spoke to City Engineer Mark Brueggemann regarding the intersection project at Fayette Circle, Ridgmont Avenue, Upland and East Henry Clay Avenue. He advised any additional work done beyond what has already been completed would be against his recommendation and beyond engineering standards. This design was chosen to slow down traffic in this area and improve appearance in the neighborhood.

Police Chief Dan Kreinest reported Sergeant Newsom is attending SPI Training. Our officers responded to the chase and shootout at the Guardian Bank/Frisch's entrance on Dixie Highway. None of our officers were actually involved in the shooting and our Police vehicles were not damaged. Park Hills and Covington are investigating. DARE classes will be starting at Fort Wright Elementary and Fort Wright Schools for the new school year. We have had four or five vehicles stolen in the City and an arrest made in Boone County hopefully will end this streak. Stolen vehicles and merchandise was recovered.

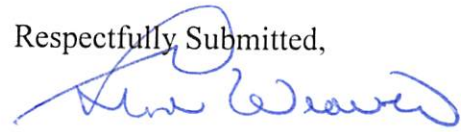
Fire Lieutenant Steve Schewe reported the Kenton County Volunteer Recruit Drive has started. Fort Wright will host their open house on Saturday August 25 at 9AM and Monday August 27 at 7PM. Surrounding Cities were invited to participate in the 60th Anniversary Parade but there is a mock disaster drill at Scott High School the same day and many of them will be participating. Fort Wright Civic Club will be hosting a festival on August 25; the Fort Wright Fire Department will be sponsoring a putt-putt booth at the festival. Response to a trauma run at Day's Inn went well with new members in attendance. Patient was transported by helicopter to University Hospital.

Motion by Mr. Hatter, second by Mr. Martin to adjourn to executive session per KRS61.810(c) and (f). All members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Hatter, second by Mr. Feinauer to close executive session. All members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed. There was no action taken as a result of executive session.

Motion by Mr. Hatter, second by Mr. Feinauer to recess legislative session. All members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,



Gene Weaver, Mayor

Attest:



Joyce Woods, City Clerk