

CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY SPECIAL MEETING

AUGUST 25, 2014 – 5:30PM

Mayor Nienaber opened the meeting at 5:33PM with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. The following members answered roll call, Mr. Adam Feinauer, Mr. Joe Averdick, Mr. Scott Wall, Mr. Dave Abeln and Mr. Dave Hatter. Also present were City Administrator Gary Huff, City Attorney Todd McMurtry, Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe, Police Chief Dan Kreinest, Public Works Director Tim Maloney and City Clerk Joyce Woods. Mr. Bernie Wessels was unavailable for this meeting.

Mayor Nienaber advised that the purpose of this meeting was to hear comments and discuss the tax rates and waste fees for the fiscal year 2014-2015. There are a certain amount of services that have to be funded by the tax receipts, and it is important that we have the funds to do that.

Mr. Hatter stated that the Finance Committee had met and discussed the amount of revenue that was needed for this year. There had been a few articles in the newspaper stating that Fort Mitchell's taxes would be going down by a few cents. Fort Mitchell have other taxes that they charge specifically for upkeep of their streets. Cost have gone up for construction cost to replace and repair streets and our carryover balance is half of what it used to be. Mr. Hatter advised he is not in favor of just taking the compensating rate to collect the same amount as last year. He thinks if we decided on the compensating rate plus a 2% increase, which would only be a \$22.00 increase on a \$200,000.00 property. Discussion followed.

Mayor Nienaber stated that we need to establish what we want our carryover balance to be and get to that point.

1st Reading of Ordinance 11-14 - Fixing the Tax Rate for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015, Upon Real Estate, Personal and Mixed Property in the City of Fort Wright, Kentucky, and Fixing the Time and Payment and Penalty for Non-Payment of Same.

Mr. McMurtry read this Ordinance in summary. The proposed amount for Real Property is 0.268 on each one hundred dollar (\$100.00) value, and on Personal and Mixed Property is 0.395 on each one hundred dollar (\$100.00) value.

Motion by Mr. Hatter, second by Mr. Averdick to approve. Roll call vote taken, Hatter, Averdick, Feinauer, Abeln and Wall voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

1st Reading Ordinance 12-14 – Establishing an Assessment for the Collection of Waste Materials and Recyclable Material for the Year Beginning July 1, 2014 and Ending June 30, 2015 in the City of Fort Wright, Kentucky, and Fixing the Time and Payment and Penalty for Non-Payment of Same.

Mr. McMurtry read this Ordinance in summary. The cost of the waste collection assessment will be \$145.22 per dwelling unit. Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Abeln to approve. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Abeln, Wall and Averdick voting in favor, Hatter abstained, no one opposed. Motion passed.


The second readings of these Ordinances will be on the September 03, 2014 Council Meeting.

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