



CITY OF FORT WRIGHT COUNCIL MEETING


SEPTEMBER 07, 2016 – 6:00PM

Mayor Hatter opened the meeting with a Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. The following members answered roll call, Mr. Bernie Wessels, Mr. Scott Wall, Mr. Dave Abeln and Mr. Adam Feinauer. Also present for the meeting were City Administrator Ed Butler, City Attorney Todd McMurtry, Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe, Police Captain Marc Schworer, Public Works Director Tim Maloney and City Clerk Joyce Woods. Mr. Mike Hoerlein, Mr. Joe Averdick and Police Chief Dan Kreinest were unavailable for this meeting.

There were no Citizen Comments

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Abeln to approve the minutes of the July 6, 2016 Council meeting. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Abeln, Wessels and Wall voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.



Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Wessels to approve the minutes of the August 3, 2016 Council meeting. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Wessels and Mr. Abeln voting in favor, Wall abstained, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Abeln, second by Mr. Wall to approve the minutes of the August 17, 2016 Special/Caucus meeting. Roll call vote taken, Abeln, Wall, Wessels and Feinauer voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Wall to approve to approve the minutes of the August 30, 2016 Special Council meeting. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Wall and Wessels voting in favor, Abeln abstained, no one opposed. Motion passed.


New Business

Executive Order 13-16 – Police Officer Aaron Arnsperger Annual Salary Increase

This takes place at Officer Arnsperger's one-year anniversary with the City. Raises were given in July, and there were some new employees that had not been working for the City for at least a year. It was decided that on their one-year anniversary they would get the increase. Mr. McMurtry read this Executive Order in summary. Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Wall to approve. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Wall, Abeln and Wessels voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.



Resolution 33-16 – Supporting City Government Month in the Commonwealth of Kentucky




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

Resolution 34-16 Supporting Childhood Cancer Day on September 15, 2016

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

Resolution 35-16 – Creating a One-Time Exemption to the Sunday Alcohol Sale Hours in the City of Fort Wright on October 30, 2016

Mr. McMurtry stated that the license does include beer, wine and other spirits and the Resolution was updated. Mr. McMurtry read this Resolution. This will be done for one Sunday only because of the time change when the Bengals play in London, England. The starting time will be 9AM-2:30AM. Owners of establishments in Fort Wright will be notified. Motion by Mr., Feinauer, second by Mr. Wessels to approve. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Wessels, Wall and Abeln voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.



First Reading Ordinance 07-16 – Establishment of Real and Personal Property Tax Rates for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 in the City of Fort Wright

Mayor Hatter stated that there is a table of tax rates increases in percentages that Mr. Butler submitted in the packet, from the information received from NKADD. It shows the impact of what the City would collect with these different rates. The Finance Committee recommended that we chose the compensating rate, which is 0.270 for real property and 0.400 for personal property. This will decrease the taxes from last year. Mr. McMurtry read this Ordinance. Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Wall to approve. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Wall, Wessels and Abeln voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

First Reading of Ordinance 08-16 – Establishment of the Waste Collection Fees for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 in the City of Fort Wright

The fee of \$149.54 for the trash fee is a straight pass-through to Rumpke. Mr. McMurtry read this Ordinance. Motion by Mr. Abeln, second by Mr. Wall to approve. Roll call vote taken, Abeln, Wall Wessels and Feinauer voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Citizen Comments Received for Police, Fire and Public Works.



Administrator's Report

Mr. Butler stated that the Hopebox Derby will take place on Saturday, September 10, 2016 on Wright's Summit Parkway. Jennifer Gunning will be our driver this year.

The audit has begun and will last about two weeks.

Department Reports

Captain Marc Schworer stated that we have purchased two body cameras with the donation from Walt's Hitching Post. These cameras assure resident and officer safety. We appreciate all donations received.

Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe reported that Assistant Chief Ron Becker will be retiring after 37 years with the City, as of October 1, 2016, and a reception will be held on September 30, 2016 at the South Hills Civic Club.

We have had reports of heroin needles found throughout the City. Chief Schewe advised against anyone touching or picking up the needles because of dangerous residue still on these needles. Please call the Fire Department if you come across them and they will retrieve them. Heroin use is up everywhere and the volume of ambulance runs and the medication to bring these patients back is very costly.

Chief Schewe advised that the new street on Wolforn Court looks great and the residents are very appreciative.

Public Works Director Tim Maloney reported that Eason Horticulture planted trees at Battery Hooper Park on October 22, 2016, and more are scheduled to replace some of the trees that were lost. Old KY 17 is closed at Chisel Bridge due to work being done in that area. We are ready for the snow when it comes and plenty of salt is available.

City Clerk Joyce Woods advised that the tax bills should go out the first week of October.

City Attorney Todd McMurtry reported that we are making progress on recent legal matters.

Mr. Feinauer reminded everyone to watch for kids and other people since it is dark in the mornings. September 11th anniversary ceremony at Crescent Springs Park at 7:00PM.


Old Days Inn has been sold to Triple C Realty, but we have had no contact with new owners.

Motion by Mr. Abeln, second by Mr. Feinauer to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote taken, Abeln, Feinauer, Wessels, and Wall voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,


Dave Hatter, Mayor

Attest:


Joyce Woods, City Clerk