



City of Fort Wright

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City of Fort Wright City Caucus Meeting Wednesday, September 17, 2025 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hatter called the meeting to order at 6:11p.m. A special City Council Meeting preceded this Caucus Meeting, so it was not necessary to call the role, The Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence were already conducted as well. Kerrie Holland, City Clerk visually verified all Council members were still present.

CITIZEN COMMENTS/GUESTS

Mary Lou Hansen – Resident (Kennedy Drive) – Inquired on the future plans for the Civic Club lot. Council stated they had no plans of selling the property to developers. They would like to see something there to benefit the community as a whole, like a park, playground or even a new community center.

Dave Neely – Resident (Montpelier Court) – Inquired about the landscaping in the Cul-de-sac on Montpelier and speeding in the neighborhood. Council offered some suggestions for the landscaping and Ms. Witt will get some ideas together. Mayor offered to place the speed trailer on the street to monitor the speed of vehicles.

ITEMS TO DISCUSS

Salt Material Acquisition & Storage Update

Jeff Bethell-Currently store our salt @ the Highway Dept on 3L. We buy from a 3rd party and have it stored at the highway dept. They keep a log of what we receive and what we use each year. We have been locked out of the facility due to the state employees not being on premises to give us access. We have been cut off from our supply despite of our inventory. The State is currently changing the process for the salt storage. We would have to buy our salt directly from them. This causes some potential concerns-we could not have a supply if the State's needs are greater than ours. It will be more expensive and not readily available to us when we need it. Some options discussed to remedy the possible future situation were: we purchase our own storage facility to store our own salt, buy property on 3L; Councilman Weber pointed out that it may take some time to acquire property and have it available to store salt.

Landscaping Enhancements & Maintenance for Various Public Right of Ways

Jeff Bethell received quotes from Maddox Garden Center in Florence, Ky. Total quote- \$9,253 which included Barrington @ Dixie, West Henry clay @ Kyles, and Highland @ Kyles. We also received a quote for the island on Ft. Henry for \$3,226. Council had questions regarding the ongoing maintenance and upkeep and the costs from Maddox. Ms. Witt would like to see some cohesion throughout the city with the selection of plants to coordinate at all locations. It was suggested that the City may need to hire a part time or seasonal help to assist with the upkeep of areas discussed. This item will be placed on the next meeting's agenda for further discussion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

61.810 (b), 61.810 (g), 61.810 (c)

There being no further items of business to discuss, Mayor Hatter asked for a motion to adjourn into Executive Session . Councilman Wessels made a motion, and Councilman Collins made the second. Ms. Holland called the role.

Mr. Jason Collins	Yes
Mr. Scott Wall	Yes
Mr. Jay Weber	Yes
Mr. Bernie Wessels	Yes
Ms. Margie Witt	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting officially entered Executive Session @ 6:48p.m.

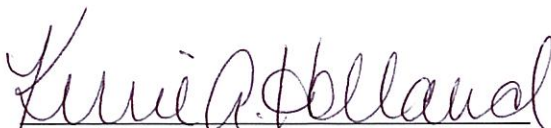
The meeting opened to the public at 8:50 pm. Councilwoman Witt made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Collins made a second. All in favor. The Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

The next scheduled City Caucus Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 15, 2025 @ 6:00p.m. to be held at the City Administration Building.

Respectfully Submitted,


Dave Hatter, Mayor

ATTEST:


Kerrie A. Holland, City Clerk