



**City of Fort Wright Council Meeting  
Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 6:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Hatter opened the caucus meeting at 6:07 PM following the conclusion of the Public Hearing.

The following members answered roll call: Mr. Dave Abeln, Mr. Adam Feinauer, Mr. Mike Hoerlein, Mr. Scott Wall, Mr. Bernie Wessels, and Ms. Margie Witt.

Also present for the meeting were: City Administrative Officer Jill Bailey, City Attorney Kyle Winslow, Police Chief Marc Schworer, Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe, Public Works Director Jeff Bethell, and City Clerk Susan Ellis

**CITIZEN COMMENTS/GUESTS**

**Fort Wright Police Officer Andy Vonderhaar – Retirement Resolution 10-18.**

Chief Marc Schworer provided background on Officer Vonderhaar's service spanning 20 years which included serving as an evidence tech, training instructor, performing interviews and interrogations, and conducting crime scene investigations. He completed 31,000 calls for service. Chief Schworer recognized him as a great officer, big supporter of the department and customer service role model. Mayor Hatter thanked him for his service. Officer Vonderhaar was presented with a certificate and his service weapon and received congratulations from all council and staff members.

Mr. Winslow read Resolution 10-18 recognizing Officer Vonderhaar's service and retirement.

## **Stephanie Fieler – Glengarry Home Owners Association.**

Ms. Fieler was not in attendance so there was no discussion. She is expected to attend the Caucus Meeting on October 17, 2018.

### **APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES**

Motion by Mr. Wessels, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve the minutes of the September 5, 2018 Council Meeting. Roll call vote taken, Mr. Abeln, Mr. Feinauer, Mr. Hoerlein, Mr. Wall, Mr. Wessels, and Ms. Witt voting in favor; no one opposed. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Ms. Witt to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2018 Special Meeting. Roll call vote taken, Mr. Abeln, Mr. Feinauer, Mr. Hoerlein, Mr. Wall, Mr. Wessels, and Ms. Witt voting in favor; no one opposed. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Wall, second by Mr. Wessels to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2018 Caucus Meeting. Roll call vote taken, Mr. Abeln, Mr. Feinauer, Mr. Hoerlein, Mr. Wall, Mr. Wessels, and Ms. Witt voting in favor; no one opposed. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Hoerlein, second by Mr. Abeln to approve the minutes of the September 25, 2018, 2018 Special Meeting. Roll call vote taken, Mr. Abeln, Mr. Feinauer, Mr. Hoerlein, Mr. Wall, Mr. Wessels, and Ms. Witt voting in favor; no one opposed. Motion passed.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **Resolution - Public Properties Corp & Articles of Dissolution (Update).**

Ms. Bailey provided an update. City Attorney Mr. Winslow is reviewing the paperwork. It is a work in progress. Mayor Hatter commented that the lease on public works building is the holdup.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Resolution 09-18 - Schützenverein Gehlenberg Visitors**

Mayor Hatter reported that as a result of Mr. Abeln's family connections to Germany, 48 individuals from Gehlenberg visited Fort Wright and attended the St. Agnes Oktoberfest event. The resolution was read and presented there. Gifts were exchanged, and the City was provided with a certificate to display commemorating their visit.

Mr. Winslow read the Resolution. Motion by Mr. Abeln, second by Ms. Witt to approve. Roll call vote taken, Mr. Abeln, Mr. Feinauer, Mr. Hoerlein, Mr. Wall, Mr. Wessels, and Ms. Witt voting in favor; no one opposed. Motion passed.

### **Municipal Order 03-18 - Establishing the Hours of Trick or Treat**

A previous resolution was located that has established the hours for Trick or Treat so this Municipal Order was not needed. Trick or Treat in the City of Fort Wright is October 31, 6-8 pm.

### **Resolution 11-18 - Disposition of Firearm**

Mr. Winslow read the Resolution. Motion by Mr. Wessels, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve. Roll call vote taken, Mr. Abeln, Mr. Feinauer, Mr. Hoerlein, Mr. Wall, Mr. Wessels, and Ms. Witt voting in favor; no one opposed. Motion passed.

### **First Reading of Ordinance 12-18 – Waste Collection Fee**

Ms. Bailey reported that waste collection costs are passed straight through to the residents via property tax bills. The City has a 2-year contract with Rumpke so the fee for fiscal year 2018-2019 will remain the same as last year.

Mr. Winslow read the Ordinance. Motion by Mr. Hoerlein, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve. Roll call vote taken, Mr. Abeln, Mr. Feinauer, Mr. Hoerlein, Mr. Wessels, and Ms. Witt voting in favor; Mr. Wall abstained; no one opposed. Motion passed.

### **Open Records & Meeting Act (Certification of Receipt/Distribution Form).**

Mayor Hatter reported that this item was informational. Everyone should have received an email. Hard copies are available for anyone who would like one. This is a state requirement and with which the City is obligated to comply with. Proof of receipt of the document needs to be on file. Ms. Bailey will file the necessary paperwork.

### **First Reading of Ordinance 13-18 – Tax Rate**

Motion by Mr. Abeln, second by Mr. Feinauer to amend the agenda to add Ordinance 13-18. Roll call vote taken, Mr. Abeln, Mr. Feinauer, Mr. Hoerlein, Mr. Wall, Mr. Wessels, and Ms. Witt voting in favor; no one opposed. Motion passed.

Mr. Winslow read the Ordinance. Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Wessels to approve. Roll call vote taken, Mr. Abeln, Mr. Feinauer, Mr. Hoerlein, Mr. Wall, Mr. Wessels, and Ms. Witt voting in favor; no one opposed. Motion passed.

Ms. Bailey announced that she would like to schedule the second reading before the caucus meeting on October 17, 2018. Mayor Hatter agreed to schedule a special meeting.

**CAO REPORT – No report**

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Administration/Finance** - City Clerk Susan Ellis referred to her report in the meeting packet. She provided an update that the Bank Tax certification had been received and the tax bills were prepared and would be mailed on October 4, 2018. She also reported that the Passport Acceptance service suspension had been extended to December 1, 2018.

**Building & Zoning – no report**

**Fire/EMS Department**

Fire Chief Steve Schewe reported that the fire and police department personnel would be involved in a large-scale drill at Beechwood schools. Beechwood Road will be closed from 7 AM to 3 PM.

**Police Department**

Police Chief Marc Schworer reported that there would be an active shooter drill at St. Agnes. He has completed two weeks of active shooter lectures at SD1. The police department would be involved in the drill that Chief Schewe reported earlier. St Agnes' Oktoberfest was a success. Officer Griffin's car was rear-ended, and it is estimated that it will cost \$9,000 in repairs. Rear seat cameras have been installed in about one half of the fleet. Chief Schworer and Ms. Witt agreed that Ms. Bailey has great hair.

**Public Works/Engineering**

Public Works Director Jeff Bethell reported that the department has been working on sidewalks in South Hills area. They have been clearing headwalls and catch basins and trimming the right-of-ways. The street project has been moving slowly because of all the rain. KS has been about to complete the tie in for the last two of three remaining properties on Amsterdam. There is still one more property to tie in which is hold up on Amsterdam.

Mr. Wall asked if there was any information about the development of Berling property. Mr. Bethell responded that PDS has no information.

## **Legal Counsel**

City Attorney Kyle Winslow reported that he has been working on a lot of items with Ms. Bailey. He is hoping to get the Public Properties Corporation closed. He also reported that the Court dismissed lawsuit with KRS reasoning that the investments were in compliance. He stated that he and Mr. McMurtry disagree. An appeal will be filed. The process will most likely take a year.

Mr. Wall reported that there will be an expose on Frontline regarding pension systems. Mayor Hatter commented that he did not believe it would exclusively be about Kentucky, but the Kentucky should play a significant part.

Mr. Feinauer asked about the easement on Kyles lane. Mr. Winslow stated that he would follow up.

## **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Employee Recognitions/Special Thank You's**

Ms. Klare thanked the City for the quick response with trimming a tree she had reported. Ms. Butler commented that it was Mr. Bethell who addressed this issue and thanked him.

Ms. Butler thanked Dennis and Susan Ellis for the assistance with the donation of Halloween Candy for the Police Department.

## **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Ms. Witt thanked police for their help with St. Agnes Oktoberfest.

Mr. Feinauer wished everyone a Happy Halloween and reminded everyone to watch for children. He also expressed his thanks to the Police Department for driving around and distribute candy. Ms. Witt reminded everyone to turn porch lights on.

Mr. Wessels, on behalf of the Finance Committee thanked Ms. Bailey and Ms. Ellis for all their efforts with the finances and audit.

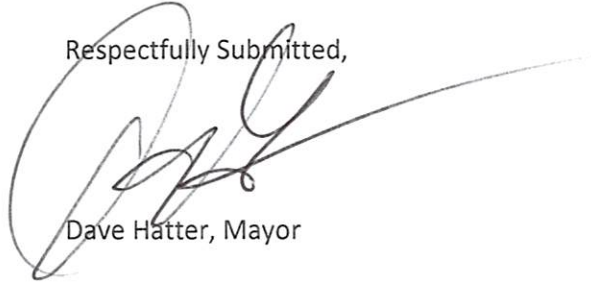
Mayor Hatter reminded everyone that the General Election is November 6, 2018 and to get out and vote. Voter registration deadline is October 26, 2018. He reported that the new speed box is giving good feedback and to reach out to him, Ms. Bailey, or Chief Schworer to request use of it. Mr. Abeln commented that when he went over the data, that 90% of drivers are observing speed.

## ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Wessels, second by Mr. Feinauer to adjourn the council meeting. Mr. Dave Abeln, Mr. Adam Feinauer, Mr. Scott Wall, Mr. Bernie Wessels, Ms. Margie Witt, voting in favor, Mr. Mike Hoerlein opposed. Motion passed.

The council meeting was adjourned at 6:54 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dave Hatter', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Dave Hatter, Mayor

Attest:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Susan Ellis', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Susan Ellis, City Clerk