

**CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**10/09/02**

Mayor Weaver opened the Council Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. The following members answered roll call, Mr. Adam Feinauer, Mr. Don Martin, Mr. Jim Robke, Mr. Jeff Wolnitzek and Mr. Dave Hatter. Also present were City Administrator Larry Klein, City Attorney Pete Summe, Police Chief Dan Kreinest, Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe, Public Works Director Tim Maloney and City Clerk Joyce Woods. Mr. Paul Hiltz arrived at 6:35PM.

Presentation was made to Ann Flood and Dr. Michael Thomson, moderator of the Vision Committee, by Mayor Weaver recognizing their hours of public service.

Mr. Bernie Wessels addressed Council and passed out artist drawings of Wright's Summit, the project proposed for the property on Dixie Highway. He advised they are waiting for permits from KDOT and NKAPC.

Mayor Weaver advised the drawings look great and it will be a first class project.

Motion by Mr. Martin, second by Mr. Hatter to approve the minutes of the 09/25/02 Council Meeting. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Wolnitzek and Robke voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Second Reading of Ordinance 13-02 Adopting Revised Property Maintenance Code  
Mr. Summe read this Ordinance in summary. Motion by Mr. Martin, second by Mr. Hatter to approve. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Wolnitzek and Robke voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

**Liability Insurance**

Mr. Klein advised there is nothing new to report at this time.

**Halloween Hours**

Motion by Mr. Hatter, second by Mr. Feinauer to set Halloween hours for October 31 from 6:00PM-8:00PM. Roll call vote taken, Martin, Wolnitzek and Robke voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

It was suggested to pass a Resolution to have this date and time set the same each year. The Police Department will have all available officers working during these hours and also the Fire Department will serve hot dogs and soft drinks from 7:00PM-9:00PM that evening.

**Ordinance Closing Reynolds Road**

This item will be tabled until further information is received.

#### **Stop Sign Request**

Mr. Klein advised a request from a resident was received for a stop sign at Amsterdam Road and Birchwood Road. Since this is a County road it would take the County to install this sign. Mr. Klein advised his recommendation would be for the Safety Committee to look at this request and forward a recommendation to the County if needed.

#### **Public Street Lights for New Subdivisions**

Mr. Klein advised at the last Council meeting it was authorized by Council to pay for a public streetlight on Parkside Place and Stonewell Trail. After speaking with Mike Schwartz at NKAPC it was suggested that a separate City Ordinance to outline requirements for the developer to be responsible for lights to be installed when developments are planned. The City would be responsible for monthly lighting charges. Motion by Mr. Hatter second by Mr. Feianuer to pursue the best way to address this idea of the developer paying for these lights when a new development is planned. Roll call vote taken, Martin, Wolnitzek and Robke voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

#### **Park Road, Morris Road and Redwood Drive Signs and Speed Limits**

Mr. Hatter advised Council that this was his idea to have this item added to the agenda this evening. He has spoke to many residents who are concerned about speeding on these roads. He advised that walking on these roads is very dangerous and more signage would be a good idea for people who are not familiar with the area. Also we need to encourage the State to put up signage for hidden driveways along this route. Mayor Weaver advised we could put the radar trailer in this area to make drivers more aware of their speed and also request through a letter to the State for consideration of signage.

#### **Pedestrian Bridge**

Mr. Hatter also would like to have discussion on a pedestrian bridge for the City to make walking safer and more accessible to residents within the City. Mr. Hatter would also like for us to look at this option to be tied into the street and sidewalk program. Mayor Weaver advised we would check with the Highway Department to see if this kind of project would be allowed to be built in the City and proceed from there.

#### **Fort Wright Foundation**

Mr. Hatter requested that Council consider creating and marketing a Fort Wright Foundation for anyone who would be interested in donating money to this Foundation to be used for the future of the City. Mr. Hiltz advised that through the Northern Kentucky Community Foundation, we could set up a fund that is restricted to be used in the City of Fort Wright as a fund of that Foundation. They could manage this fund and there would be almost no paperwork for the City and very minimal cost. Mr. Wolnitzek suggested that we have a stated purpose for a Foundation.

#### **Additional Police Officer Position**

Mr. Hiltz advised at the last meeting the addition of an 11<sup>th</sup> Police Officer was discussed for a vote at this meeting. Discussion followed. Motion by Mr. Hiltz, second by Mr. Martin to approve the position of adding an 11<sup>th</sup> Police Officer as it was a budgeted item.

Roll call vote taken, Feinauer and Hatter voting in favor, Robke and Wolnitzek voting no. Motion passed.

## Council Committee Reports

### Legal

Mr. Klein advised a letter was sent registered mail to the owners of Ms. Classic Car Wash. That letter was not claimed and was returned to us and we did send a letter out regular mail after the certified letter was returned. It was suggested that the Police could also hand deliver a letter to their business location.

### Computer Technology

Mr. Hatter reported that the Computer Technology Committee has discussed purchasing 4 new computers for replacements of current systems. The systems that are still usable will be distributed to employees that have older systems. The cost of these systems will be approximately \$1200.00-\$1500.00 each including software. Mr. Hatter suggested one of the computers be placed in the lobby to be used for public service to the residents. There would be no Internet access on this computer. The new server is in the process of being installed.

### Department Reports

City Clerk Joyce Woods reported that the tax bills are ready to be sent out on Thursday and all mortgage company bills were sent today. Thanks to Mr. Hatter for designing this program for us.

Mr. Maloney reported that Michels Co. is around town working for Cinergy and he and many residents are unhappy with the restoration done. Tim advised he is working with Cinergy to correct this problem. Fort Henry storm sewer project is starting. Amsterdam Road is being wrapped up with the final surface and line stripping. Renovations in the Fire Department office are almost finished. Mayor Weaver complimented the Public Works Department on the remodeling done on the Fire offices and the South Hills Civic Club. He advised he has heard nothing but positive comments on these renovations.

Chief Kreinest reported there were 17 reported felonies with 10 arrests in September. There has been a parking problem on Amsterdam Road since the street has been finished. Flyers were put on cars advising there was no parking in this area, on Amsterdam Road, sidewalks or unpaved surfaces. Dog complaints in the Fort Henry area of animals running loose. The City has been notified that we have received a \$4500.00 Law Enforcement Block Grant. We are anticipating using this Grant for purchasing equipment for the purpose of printing photo's from videotape. Officer Michael Knight has been awarded the first-ever Crime Stoppers Officer of the Year with a breakfast ceremony on October

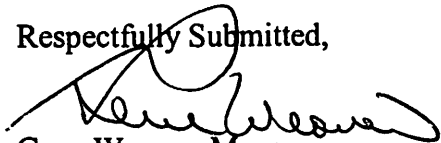
17 at the Presidential Ballroom of the Westin Hotel. This is a great honor for Officer Knight and for the City of fort Wright.

Fire/EMS Chief Schewe reported the run summary for Fire/EMS runs for September in included in tonight's packet. This report does not reflect the First Responder vehicle.

Mayor Weaver reminded everyone of the Candidate Forum to be held at the City Building on October 30 at 7:30PM.


Motion by Mr. Martin, second by Mr. Hiltz to adjourn. All members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,



Gene Weaver, Mayor

Attest:



Joyce Woods, City Clerk