

CITY OF FORT WRIGHT SPECIAL MEETING

OCTOBER 19, 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. Joe Averdick, Mr. Bernie Wessels, Mr. Mike Hoerlein and Mr. Adam Feinauer. Also present for the meeting were City Administrator Ed Butler, City Attorney Todd McMurtry, Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe, Police Chief Dan Kreinest, Public Works Director Tim Maloney and City Clerk Joyce Woods. Mr. Dave Abeln arrived at 6:08PM and Mr. Scott Wall was unavailable for the meeting.

There were no Citizen Comments

Approval of Minutes

September 7, 2016 Council Minutes

We did not have a quorum for approval of these minutes. This will be tabled until the November 2, 2016 meeting.

September 21, 2016 Special/Caucus Meeting

Motion by Mr. Averdick, second by Mr. Wessels to approve. Roll call vote take, Averdick, Wessels, Hoerlein and Feinauer voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Old Business

Second Reading of Ordinance 09-16

Mr. McMurtry read this Ordinance in summary. Motion by Mr. Hoerlein, second by Mr. Averdick, to approve. Roll call vote taken, Hoerlein, Averdick, Feinauer and Wessels to approve, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Mr. Wessels suggested this business be monitored to make sure there would be no waste products in any other areas, but the designated section.

New Business

Presentation by Mike Chambers regarding a service line warranty program for residents.

Mr. Chambers represents Utility Service Partners, Inc. He gave an overview of what this company does and also stated that they are the administrator of the National League of Cities program. If you sign up for their program, they service clogged or failed service lines if homeowners have a break or leak on their property. The infrastructure in the City is getting older and these problems will exist. There is no cost to the City for this voluntary program and a small monthly charge to residents for this warranty program. They would like permission to send out letters to residents for the opportunity for them to sign up. There are surrounding cities that already have residents signed up for this program with no complaints. If streets have to be dug up to fix a problem, they are fixed to code. Discussion followed. The letter that is sent to the residents by the company is sent to the City for approval, before it is sent out. Mr. McMurtry will look at the agreement for the waiver of any fees that the City would be entitled to for the residents signing up for the program.

Resolution 36-16 – A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Interlocal Agreement and a Private Sewer Lateral Agreement with SD1

Mr. McMurtry read this Resolution in summary and stated that there is nothing negative in the Resolution. Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Averdick to approve. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Averdick, Wessels, Abeln and Hoerlein voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Resolution 37-16 – A Resolution authorizing the surplus of unnecessary property belonging to the City of Fort Wright

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

Executive Order 14-16 – Establishing the Nuisance Ordinance Hearing Board for the City of Fort Wright

Mr. McMurtry read this Executive Order Naming City Administrator Ed Butler as a one-person Fort Wright Nuisance Hearing Board. Motion by Mr. Hoerlein, second by Mr. Abeln to approve. Roll call vote taken, Hoerlein, Abeln, Wessels, Averdick and Feinauer voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Discussion regarding Top 10 Expenses for the City

Mayor Hatter stated that this item is on the website and we will keep this updated. You can see the trend overtime and see what it cost the City for employee salaries, CERS contribution for employee retirement, all insurance costs and other expenses. This is only a portion of what it cost to do business.

Citizen Comments received for City Personnel

Mayor Hatter went through and read some of the high points of the many notes complimenting the City workers.

Administrator Report

Mr. Butler stated that there was a meeting with Planet Fitness regarding what they need to build a business in Fort Wright.

We received a notice of demolition for the old Days Inn building, which is very good news.

Tax season is upon us and we are very busy.

Chief Kreinest was in a foot pursuit today.

The Public Works crew are busy with different things around the City. Nick Zumnick is off after having knee surgery and hopefully will be ready to come back before the first snow.

We were notified that we have been awarded funds of 2.5 million dollars for the SNK Grant on Amsterdam Road. This is a three-million-dollar project and only covers a portion of the road. We still have to figure out where our portion of the money will come from and how it will affect our Street Program.

Chick-Fil-A opened and traffic flow is going well.

Halloween hours are 6-8PM with goodies in the fire bay from 6:30-8:30PM.

Department Reports

Chief Kreinest reported that Police Clerk Gina Casey and Captain Marc Schworer shopped around and purchased at a minimal cost, newer tables and chairs for the offices and lobby. Thanks to them for their effort.

Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe reported they will re-submit for the AFG Grant for a new engine, with only a 5% match from the City.

The tornado warning sirens are going off for a second time and Mayor Hatter wrapped up the meeting.

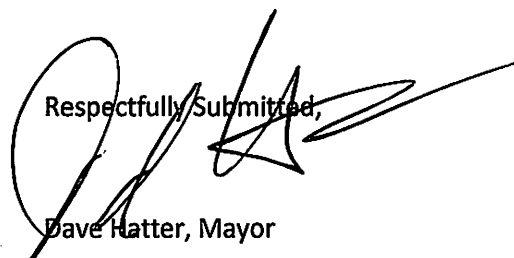
Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Averdick to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Averdick, Hoerlein, Wessels and Abeln voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Attest:



Joyce Woods, City Clerk

Respectfully Submitted,



Dave Hatter, Mayor