

CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY COUNCIL MEETING

11/01/2017 – 6:00PM

Mayor Hatter opened the meeting with a Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. The following members answered roll call. Mr. Mike Hoerlein, Mr. Bernie Wessels, Ms. Margie Witt, Mr. Dave Abeln, Mr. Adam Feinauer and Mr. Scott Wall. Also present for the meeting were City Administrator Ed Butler, Attorney Kyle Winslow, Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe, Police Chief Marc Schworer and City Clerk Joyce Woods.

PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE 2017 PROPERTY TAX RATE

There was no one present for comments on the tax rate.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mr. Wessels, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve the minutes of the 10/04/17 Council Meeting. Roll call vote taken, Wessels, Feinauer, Wall, Hoerlein and Witt voting in favor, Mr. Abeln abstained, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Abeln, second by Mr. Wessels to approve the minutes of the 10/11/17 Special Meeting. Roll call vote taken, Abeln, Wessels, Wall, Hoerlein, Witt and Feinauer voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Hoerlein, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve the minutes of the 10/18/17 Caucus Meeting. Roll call vote taken, Hoerlein, Feinauer, Wessels, Abeln and Wall voting in favor, Ms. Witt abstained, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Old Business

Second Reading of Ordinance 14-17, an Ordinance amending sections 10.24, Industrial Park (IP) and 15.2, Performance Standards, of the Fort Wright Zoning Code

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

New Business

Executive Order 8-17 Appointing Susan Ellis as the Full-Time Assistant City Clerk for the City of Fort Wright

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

Executive Order 9-17 Appointing Ed Faulkner to the James A. Ramage Civil War Museum Board effective November 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018

Mr. Winslow read this Executive Order in summary. Motion by Mr. Abeln, second by Mr. Wessels to approve. Roll call vote taken, Abeln, Wessels, Wall, Feinauer, Witt and Hoerlein voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Executive Order 10-17 Reappointing Jack Toebben to the Kenton county Planning commission for the term beginning January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2021

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

Municipal Order 1-17 Amending the job description for the position of Public Works Director

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

Discussion and possible action regarding the 2018 Road Plan for the City of Fort Wright

We are half way through the five-year road plan and need to discuss if we need to change some roads that should be prioritized over others that are on the original plan. We will continue with the reconstruction of Edna Lane as we were notified that there is no sewer or storm water work that is needed. CT Consultants recommend that money will be freed up for Stony Point and High Point without the sewer work being done for Edna Lane. Discussion followed.

Motion by Mr. Wessels, second by Mr. Abeln to authorize Mr. Butler to continue with the current road plan. Roll call vote taken, Wessels, Abeln, Wall, Witt, Feinauer and Hoerlein voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Issue List Review

Mr. Hoerlein inquired about the digital sign. We are moving ahead with that project and it will be done in the spring. Citizen Comments Received

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There were multiple Thank you notes received for Police and Fire help at St. Agnes for the Maria Schaffstein annual race.

Thanks from Tim Maloney for retirement mementos.

Thanks from multiple residents for fixing Park Road.

Thanks from residents of Mount Vernon for fixing street.

Thanks from Museum volunteers for Public Works help.

Administrator Report

Mr. Butler reported that Planet Fitness has opened in Fort Wright and the Infinity Dealership is moving forward.

An Economic Development meeting was held and there was discussion of Zoning Ordinances.

We are in the process of hiring a Part-time Assistant City Clerk. Mr. Butler spoke of the tragedy at the Lookout Heights Civic Club and the help of the Police and Fire Departments.

Department Reports

Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe reported on the process of the Life Squad using Care Pads to translate patient information directly to the billing company.

The new pickup truck is in and will be striped and put in service.

Police Chief Marc Schworer reported that the Oktoberfest at St. Agnes was very successful.

Shred Day was very busy and thanks to the Fire Department for their help.

The Women's Self Defense class was held and successful. The Police Department gave out 2000 pieces of candy on Halloween.

The Lookout Heights death investigation is wrapping up. The State Police system to collect data has been changed and is very time consuming, so the information contained in the monthly report will also be changed.

City Clerk Joyce Woods reported that taxes are coming in. I was very impressed with the Police and Fire Departments the evening of Halloween concerning the fatality at Dixie Highway and Sleepy Hollow Road. I was present to see the concern and care given to the injured and the lady that was driving the vehicle.

Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Wessels to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to KRS 61.810, Paragraph (F). Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Wessels, Wall, Witt, Abeln and Hoerlein voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Motion by Ms. Witt, second by Mr. Abeln to adjourn Executive Session and return to the Council Meeting. All members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Ms. Witt to adjourn the Council Meeting. All members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dave Hatter, Mayor

Attest:

Joyce Woods

Joyce Woods, City Clerk