

CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
11/02/05 – 6:00PM

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. Paul Hiltz, Mr. Joe Nienaber Jr., Mr. Jeff Wolnitzek and Mr. Matt Barker. 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. Dave Hatter was unavailable for this meeting.

Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Nienaber to approve the minutes of the 10/05/05 Council meeting. Roll call vote taken, Wolnitzek and Barker voting in favor, Mr. Hiltz abstained, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Presentation of Mayor's Proclamation to Eagle Scout Kevin Morgan
Kevin is an Eagle Scout candidate with Troop 31 of St. Agnes Parish. His project was in the Nature Center, building bird houses and erecting shelters over benches. Kevin is the son of Ken Morgan and Charlotte Kenyon and a student at Covington Catholic High School.

Mayor Weaver read the proclamation and presented him with the plaque.
Mayor Weaver thanked Kevin and advised him the City appreciated all of the work done by the scouts in the Nature Center.

Resolution 15-05 – Kenton Vale Fire/EMS Agreement

This is the renewal agreement with Kenton Vale to provide Fire/EMS services to the 150 residents of the City. The cost for this year will be raised from \$1000.00 to \$1250.00. Mr. Summe read this Resolution. Motion by Mr. Hiltz, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve. Roll call vote taken, Nienaber, Wolnitzek and Barker voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Resolution 16-05 – Disposition of Surplus City Property

Mr. Summe read this Resolution. Motion by Mr. Nienaber, second by Mr. Hiltz to approve. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Wolnitzek and Barker voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Resolution 17-05 – Old Horsebranch Road

This has been discussed at previous meetings and is on the agenda for Council consideration tonight. Before the State turns this street over to the City for ownership and maintenance responsibilities the Resolution will be amended to take out the "if needed" from the fourth "WHEREAS", second line. Motion by Mr. Nienaber, second by

Mr. Feinauer to approve. Roll call vote taken, Hiltz, Wolnitzek and Barker voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Employee Health Insurance

Mike Williams from Sherrill Morgan & Associates was in attendance for the meeting to explain the health care options for renewal on December 1st. The plan that we currently have from Anthem is no longer offered. Discussion followed regarding the different options available. Motion by Mr. Hiltz, second by Mr. Nienaber to choose Anthem Blue Access Option 14 with a deductible of \$250.00 per person and \$750.00 per family. The City's plan to reimburse employees \$500.00 after the deductible has been reached, covers maximum out-of-pocket expenses that are incurred above \$1000.00 for an individual or above \$2000.00 per family. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Wolnitzek and Barker voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Administrator Report

LWCF Trail Grant

There are a couple of Trail Grant program applications that are due around February 1st of each year. I would like to get Council's approval to move forward with applications for these grants to provide a safer pedestrian access from Kyles Lane at Highland Place to Bluegrass Swim Club, Wright's Point apartments and the Storer property. This would be a 50/50 matching fund, with the City providing 50% of the funds received either in cash or in-kind matching funds. Council would like Mr. Klein to move forward with these applications.

Governor's Highway Safety Program Grant

The City has received a \$13,250.00 grant from the Governor's Office for highway safety. This is to increase patrol and enforcement on state highways.

CEGG Grants Update

We have been advised that we did not get funded on either grant applied for on sewer grant applications for the Storer property. We will keep trying and pursue other grants.

Civil War Museum Update

Mr. Klein reported that there were 1870 visitors at the Museum from June 30 thru October 31. Visitors from Canada, Germany and even from the Ukraine. Thanks to Dan Diorio, museum volunteer, who purchased and donated a 1st Ohio Company Heavy Artillery Flag-Replica for the Museum. The Museum Board is reprinting and selling cookbooks that was put together by Fern Storer in 1989. All proceeds will benefit the Museum.

9/11 Commemoration

The placing of flags in memory of September 11th went very well. We had volunteers and employees distribute these flags to all residences and at intersections in the City. A

suggestion for next year is to leave the flags up for 30 days and then collect them and re-use the next year.

Recodification of City Ordinances

Required by state law every five years ordinances have to be recodified. This is being done now and the cost is about \$2200.00. This is linked to our website and can be viewed on the internet. Updated books will be distributed to Council as soon as possible.

Council Chamber Improvements

We are getting cost estimates on lighting and audio/visual improvements to the Council Chambers. Also a new coat of paint could be added.

Dixie Fix Visioning Session Results

In the Council packet is the results of our visioning session held last month. The overwhelming response was for access management for Dixie Highway. The committee will meet again in January to look at all the results and make specific recommendations.

Madison Pike Land Use & Economic Development Plan Update

The KY 17/Old KY 17 Steering Committee has continued to meet and review proposed form district zoning regulations. They are working on a 3-D demonstration of one area and hope to bring back ideas to Council for consideration.

Storm Water Update

Boone County Judge Billingsley ruled in favor of Sanitation District No.1 and the cities and counties in this jurisdiction. This is in regards to the Wessels Company lawsuit regarding the storm water program and fee. This is a very good decision per Mr. Klein.

Council Committee Reports

Legal Matters – Ms. Classic Car Wash

Mr. Summe advised this item is on the court docket on Monday to set a trial date.

Department Reports

City Clerk Joyce Woods reported that the tax bills coming in for payment have slowed down and will pick up after Thanksgiving.

Public Works Director Tim Maloney updated Council on the Barbara Circle sewer project and advised things are wrapping up and almost done.

The storm pipe at the end of Edna Lane is in and additional dirt will be added and finished within three weeks.

Mayor Weaver advised the level of the lake is down and asked if this was a good time to check on some sort of aeration system. Mr. Maloney advised the Nature Center Board has had discussions on the subject also.

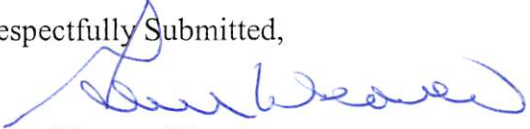
The Public Works department has been replacing asphalt throughout the City.

Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe reported everything is going well. There was a small structure fire on Halloween that seemed a little suspicious. Our new employee Steve Bramlage is working out very well.


Police Chief Dan Kreinest reported that the Kenton County Communications Center switched over to the new CAD system. There are a few issues which there always are when there are major upgrades. Monthly report has been delayed.

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

Respectfully Submitted,


Gene Weaver, Mayor

Attest:


Joyce Woods, City Clerk