

## CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY CAUCUS MEETING MINUTES

11/15/2017 – 6PM

Mayor Hatter opened the meeting with a Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. The following members Answered roll call, Mr. Scott Wall, Mr. Bernie Wessels, Ms. Margie Witt, Mr. Adam Feinauer and Mr. Dave Abeln. Also present for the meeting were City Administrator Ed Butler, City Attorney Todd McMurtry, Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe, Police Chief Marc Schworer and City Clerk Joyce Woods. Mr. Mike Hoerlein arrived at 6:26PM.

### Citizen Comments

None

### ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

#### Discussion regarding the Digital Sign Project

Mr. Butler met with a vendor and passed out artwork of the image of what the proposed sign might look like. This would be in the \$30,000.00 cost range. Council was in agreement that it was what we should have in the front of the City Building. Mr. Butler stated that he will report back on this project and we will discuss it further at the December 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### Discussion regarding Sidewalk Inventory Project

In early December, we should have a completed inventory of needed sidewalk repair for review.

#### Discussion regarding Website Project

The project is making good progress. There are a few items that we are tweaking, but overall the design is cleaner and easier to navigate for viewers. The final design to review and mapping will be in January, 2018.

#### Discussion regarding off site signage (Planet Fitness)

Planet Fitness would like to put up free standing signs in various locations around the city, advertising their business and possibly a Smoothie King that may be located within their business. Mayor Hatter stated that he thinks if we allow this business to have this option, other businesses in the city will request the same. This was just to make Council aware of the request.

#### Discussion regarding 2018 Employee Health Insurance

In the current Budget, we added a planned 20% increase for employee health insurance. The increase for 2018 came back at 12.5% increase. Mr. Butler stated that he is looking at various options to make the process as beneficial as possible to the employees.

Motion by Mr. Abeln, second by Ms. Witt to suspend the Caucus Meeting and open the Special Meeting.

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

Ms. Lisa Stievy spoke regarding Resolution 15-17 calling on the Kentucky Parole Board to deny the release of Carlos Faulkner and keep him in prison for the violent murder of Lesly Briede.

Ms. Stievy was very adamant that Mr. Faulkner should never have the chance to be released from prison. Mr. McMurtry read this Resolution. Ms. Stievy is agreement with Council. It was decided to amend the Resolution to read that Carlos Faulkner should never have another opportunity to seek parole as consequence of his intentional murder of Lesly Briede.

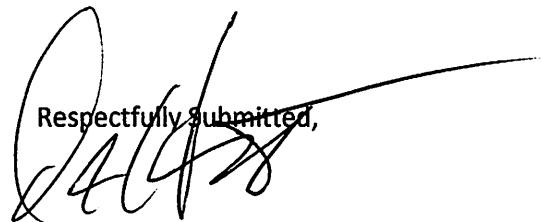
Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Abeln to approve Resolution 15-17 as amended. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Abeln, Witt, Wall, Hoerlein and Wessels voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.


Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Abeln to adjourn the Special Meeting and return to the regular Caucus Meeting. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Abeln, Wall, Wessels, Hoerlein and Witt voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

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

Motion by Mr. Hoerlein, second by Mr. Wall to adjourn Executive Session and re-open the Caucus Meeting, all members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Abeln, second by Mr. Wessels to adjourn the Caucus Meeting. All members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,  
  
Dave Hatter, Mayor

Attest:   
Joyce Woods, City Clerk