

CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
12/06/06 -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. Jeff Wolnitzek, Mr. Matt Barker, Mr. Joe Nienaber Jr., Mr. Adam Feinauer, Mr. Dave Hatter and Mr. Paul Hiltz. 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.

There were no Citizen Comments

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mr. Hiltz, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve the minutes of the 11/01/06 Regular Council Meeting. Roll call vote taken, Wolnitzek, Barker, Hatter and Nienaber voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Mayor Weaver introduced Judge Patricia Summe of the Kenton County Circuit Court, who will be swearing in the new Council elected in November. After the swearing in, Mayor Weaver thanked Judge Summe and welcomed the new members to Council.

Mayor Weaver welcomed Eagle Scout Matthew Cleves and presented him with a Proclamation stating that December 11th, 2006 would be Matthew Cleves Day in Fort Wright. This was for the work done in the Nature Center.

Mayor Weaver welcomed Eagle Scout Daniel Kidwell and presented him with a Proclamation stating that December 18th, 2006 would be Daniel Kidwell Day in Fort Wright. This was for work done in the Nature Center.

Mayor Weaver thanked both boys and their families for their involvement in the project.

Municipal Order 11-06- Appointment of Gene Weaver to OKI

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

Executive Order 12-06 – Appointment of Timothy M. Pangallo to Police Officer

Mr. Summe read this Executive Order. Mayor Weaver advised this position was discussed at the budget retreat, to be funded after January 1st, 2007. Motion by Mr. Hiltz, second by Mr. Barker to approve. Roll call vote taken, Wolnitzek, Hatter, Nienaber and Feinauer voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Ordinance 17-06 – Interlocal Agreement for Countywide Enforcement Board

Mr. Summe read this Ordinance in summary. This is a first reading of the Ordinance and Mr. Frank Henn is the City's Representative. Motion by Mr. Nienaber, second by Mr. Hiltz to approve. Roll call vote taken, Wolnitzek, Barker, Hatter and Feinauer voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Resolution 15-06 – Dixie Fix Plan

Mr. Summe read this Resolution in summary. The Resolution supports the Dixie Fix Oversight Team recommendations to support Congestion and Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) applications, prepared by KYTC, for two projects: the realignment of Garvey and McAlpin Avenues on Dixie Highway in Elsmere and Erlanger and; adding a northbound lane on Dixie Highway onto Dudley Road in Edgewood. Motion by Mr. Hiltz, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve. Roll call vote taken, Wolnitzek, Barker, Hatter and Nienaber voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Resolution 16-06 – CDS Professional Engineering Services

Mr. Summe read this Resolution. This Resolution approve a one-year contract for 2007 for professional engineering services with CDS Associates, Inc. Motion by Mr. Hiltz, second by Mr. Hatter to approve. Roll call vote taken, Wolnitzek, Barker, Nienaber and Feinauer voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Joint Session – City Council and Vision Committee – January 27, 2007, 8:30AM-11:AM.
Mr. Feinauer addressed Council and advised there was a meeting with the Vision Committee and himself, as liaison from Council. New members of the Vision Committee, Chuck McHale and Margie Witt were in attendance. It was decided to meet earlier in the year to gather ideas to present to Council at the Annual Budget Retreat. Mayor Weaver asked if anyone had a problem with the date of January 27th and no one did.

Employee Health Insurance

Mr. Klein advised there was a lot of information in the packet regarding this item. Currently the employees are insured through Anthem. A representative from Sherrill Morgan Agency, Mike Williams, was present at the meeting to explain the changes in the policies and answer any questions anyone may have. Anthem proposal was 17% increase from last year. With this proposal we were able to get a quote from Humana that actually reduces our current health insurance cost by 12%. Last year the City introduced a Health Reimbursement Account because the out of pocket maximum was larger. In our current budget we could save \$10,000.00 of cost with this new plan. We will have a separate Vision Plan coverage which will cost the City, for a family plan, about \$48.00 a year. Mr. Klein advised it is his recommendation that we change to the Humana Plan with a \$500.00 HRA (50% reimbursement of calendar year deductible) to be applied to the deductible per calendar year. Motion by Mr. Hiltz, second by Mr. Barker to approve the recommendation presented by Mr. Klein to change to Humana for 2007. Roll call vote taken, Wolnitzek, Hatter, Nienaber and Feinauer voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Administrator Report

Animal Control Report

Included in packet for October and November is the report of calls taken by Animal Control. This lists all cities that participate in this program. The cost is \$7800.00 a year with no increase in cost for the last four years.

Trail and Other Grants for Battery Hooper Park

Mr. Klein and Mr. Maloney had met with the staff of NKADD regarding Grants that are coming up February 1st which is the Recreational Trails Grant and on March 1st, which is the Land, Water and Conservation Fund. Both of these Grants would benefit Battery Hooper Park. Both of these applications would come to Council for review.

Civil War Museum Update

Monthly visitor list included in packet. Coming up December 9th & 10th is the Christmas celebration and tree lighting at the Museum. There will be Santa and carriage rides and many more fun activities. We hope everyone can attend.

Kenton County Dispatch Merger

No update at this time.

City Employee Christmas Luncheon – Friday, December 22 at Noon.

Annual employee luncheon will be on December 22nd at noon at the City Building. We hope everyone can attend.

Council Committee Reports

Legal Matters

Ms. Classic Car Wash – A brief has been filed and they have 15 days to respond
Wessels LLC vs. SD1 and City of Fort Wright- This is in the Court of Appeals

Department Reports

City Clerk Joyce Woods reported taxes and passports going well.

Public Works Director Tim Maloney advised of a couple of projects going on in the City, one on East Crittenden Avenue and Highland Avenue. The tent is set up at the Museum for the Tree Lighting and celebration.

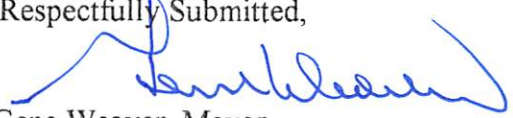
Police Chief Dan Kreinest welcomed our new Police Officer Tim Pangallo who will be starting on December 31st. A burglary occurred on Glazier Road, where an intruder jumped off of the roof when the resident came home. Officers busy at Wal-Mart with many shoplifters.

Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe reported that the SAFER Grant we applied for was received for the additional Firefighter. This is for \$103,500.00 over four years. Calls are up from last year about 10%.


The next meeting in January will be changed from January 3rd to January 17th at 6PM.
Mayor Weaver wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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

Respectfully Submitted,


Gene Weaver, Mayor

Attest:


Joyce Woods, City Clerk