

CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY SPECIAL/CAUCUS MEETING

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2012 6:00P.M.

Mayor Nienaber called the meeting to order at 6:04PM with a Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. The following members answered roll call, Mr. Scott Wall, Mr. Adam Feinauer, Mr. Dave Hatter, Mr. Dave Abeln, Mr. Joe Averdick and Mr. Bernie Wessels. Also in attendance were City Administrator Gary Huff, City Attorney Todd McMurtry, Fire/EMS Chief Stephen Schewe, Police Chief Dan Kreinest, Public Works Director Tim Maloney and ~~City Clerk Joyce Woods~~. *Correction*

Meeting opened in a Legislative Session

No Old Business

New Business: Discussion on Health Care for employees, Mr. Huff reported his findings on city employees health care insurance. The current provider originally had notified the city of an 18% increase in premiums, Mr. Huff then set up a meeting with Mr. Mike Williams and City insurance users group and discussed possibility of switching carriers and additional contributions from employees. After revisiting the policies 3.89% increase was offered if we switched the life insurance portion of the package and a 5% increase if it was left alone, moderate discussion ensued and a motion by Hatter and second by Feinauer to accept the plan with the 3.89% increase and to switch life insurance. Roll call taken and all in favor, no one opposed.

Motion By Wessels and second by Wall to close Legislative Session all in favor, no one opposed.

Regular Caucus meeting opened at 6:12pm

Items for Discussion:

Street program. Open ideas for the 5 year street program and revisit/reevaluate the current program. Mr. Maloney addressed some of the current streets with concerns that he and Mark Brueggeman have reviewed as needing attention. Mr. Maloney went over a plan to spend approx. \$500K annual on streets and handed out an updated spread sheet outlining the proposal thru 2017.

Council discussed borrowing 3 million dollars at 2.89% short term to get street program moving. General consensus was to move forward with a resolution to be presented at the January 2013 council meeting adopting the 5 year street program as presented by Mr. Maloney.

Billboards: Public information request was being made by a Florence attorney regarding all information and past documents in reference to billboards in city. Mr. Huff explained he only wanted to keep council aware and no action is being taken to best of anyone's knowledge of a plan to erect a billboard.

E-Mail Addresses: E-mail addresses for all council members were discussed. All agreed that it was needed and that all city related business would be sent to that e-mail address. Dan Kreinest will set up account then forward information to all council members.

Representative for NKAPC Council Needed (Feinauer Accepted)

Representative for OKI Needed (Wessels Accepted)

Comments:

Shimmers on Dixie Hwy has closed and building is for sale for \$900k.

Mr. Huff met with SD-1 two weeks ago. SD-1 is checking to see if they can offer everyone the same program we are requesting. Mr. Huff stated we will handle all issues on pipes with a gentleman's agreement until a settlement is reached. Will give update on status of suit as available.

Mr. Averdick wanted to see if a program could be put in place to address the issue of non-working street lights. Mr. Maloney explained how it is normally handled. Mr. Maloney stated he would get with PD to see if they could be notified when out and report the findings to him.

Mr. Feinauer asked about the status of the home on Amsterdam road with the planter, Mr. Maloney reported clean up has been started.

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Averdick and second by Wall all in favor, meeting closed at 7:45pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe Nienaber Jr. Mayor



Attest:

Stephen G Schewe, Fire/EMS Chief

