

CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY COUNCIL MEETING

AUGUST 07, 2013 – 6PM – SOUTH HILLS CIVIC CLUB

Mayor Nienaber opened the meeting at 6:10PM with a Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. The following members answered roll call, Mr. Scott Wall, Mr. Bernie Wessels, Mr. Adam Feinauer, and Mr. Dave Abeln. Also in attendance were City Administrator Gary Huff, Attorney Alyss Bender, Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe, Police Chief Dan Kreinest, Public Works Director Tim Maloney and City Clerk Joyce Woods. Mr. Dave Hatter arrived at 6:20PM and Mr. Joe Averdick was unavailable for this meeting.

Citizen Comments

Judge Executive Steve Arlinghaus and Deputy Judge Mark Kreimborg were in attendance, representing Emergency Services, to present a check to the City in the amount of \$9317.00 for the tanker spill that happened on I-275 Westbound. Police, Fire and Public Works Departments spent almost the entire day cleaning up, directing traffic and whatever was needed to get the roadway opened and safe for drivers.

Mark Kreimborg stated that there is a need to create better communication between the Cities and County. If there is ever any questions, issues or concerns they need to be addressed so there is a good working relationship between these entities, please don't hesitate to call.

The consolidated dispatch has worked out well, with a good working relationship in that area.

Ms. Gerry Lambrecht of 52 Rivard Drive spoke regarding the parking of multiple vehicles in front of her residence on Rivard Drive. This issue has been ongoing and she stated that no parking in this area is the way to solve the problem and also the safety issue. Mayor Nienaber stated that we are still working on this problem and will have additional information and make a decision on this issue.

Mr. Riley Kinman, a Civil Engineer, representing Kevin Dowd of 1 Park Road addressed Council regarding a water issue at his residence. Mr. Kinman advised he thinks that a curb and gutter would solve most of the problem with water flooding his backyard as Mr. Dowd has had catch basin drains installed. Mr. Maloney viewed his problem and replied that this is not an easy fix. The catch basin at Barrington and Park Roads is higher than the driveway. A potential remedy might be to tie into the catch basin when the street is re-graded and re-constructed and attach a curb and gutter to the street.

Mr. Wessels suggested that we get an estimate by City Engineer Mark Brueggemann to fix the problem and discuss it at the next caucus meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mr. Abeln, second by Mr. Hatter to approve the minutes of the 07/17/13 Caucus/Special Meeting. All members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Second Reading of Ordinance 08-13 – Vehicle Tax Exemption – Active Duty Military

Attorney Alyss Bender read this Ordinance in summary. This amended ordinance would exempt active military personnel in addition to disabled veterans and recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor, Distinguished Service Cross or Air Force Cross that are already exempt from paying this tax. Proof of active duty shall be presented for exemption. Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. Hatter to approve the Ordinance, roll call vote taken, Wall, Wessels and Abeln voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Executive Order 6-13- Appoint Joseph Nienaber Sr. to the Board of Adjustments

Mr. Nienaber will be appointed to fulfill the unexpired term of Carl Stamm, who moved out of the City. The term will run from August 7, 2012 to December 31, 2014. Motion by Mr. Hatter, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve. Roll call vote taken, Wall, Wessels and Abeln voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Presentation – East Henry Clay Avenue

Mark Brueggemann, City Engineer, gave a power point presentation along with a handout to the audience and explained the speed and amount of traffic traveling on this cut through street. There was a question and answer period, and the following residents spoke:

1. Janet Snyder 1257 E. Henry Clay Avenue
2. Miles Newton 1503 E. Henry Clay Avenue
3. Harry Traynor 1619 E. Henry Clay Avenue
4. Terry Hicks 1609 E. Henry Clay Avenue
5. Lyn McGuffey 1432 E. Henry Clay Avenue
6. Mike Hoerlein 1509 E. Henry Clay Avenue
7. Bob Hoerlein 1608 E. Henry Clay Avenue
8. Kurt Bovard 1605 E. Henry Clay Avenue
9. Brennan Scanlon 1507 E. Henry Clay Avenue
10. Tim Siegrist 1309 E. Henry Clay Avenue
11. Kathy Tilley 1612 E. Henry Clay Avenue
12. Tony Brandner 1243 Upland Avenue
13. Barbara Moore 1410 E. Henry Clay Avenue

Residents were pro and con for the changes either to eliminate parking totally or just designate certain places where parking was allowed. Mayor Nienaber stated that we would take suggestions and comments under consideration and move forward with our decision.

Administrator Report

Mr. Huff stated that the Waffle House Restaurant is under construction in Fort Wright.

ACH security measures are in place for our bank accounts and are very secure in case of someone trying to get into our accounts.

Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe reported that ambulance 763 is in the shop with a hard to detect problem. We are using out backup squad at this time.

Mr. Feinauer thanked everyone who attended tonight's meeting, for their input on the East Henry Clay parking.

Mr. Hatter reminded everyone of the Hoxworth Blood Drive van at the City Building on August 15th from 1-7PM.

The Economic Development Committee met with Attorney Jim Parsons regarding the T.I.F. District on Dixie Highway.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe Nienaber Jr., Mayor

Attest:

Joyce Woods, City Clerk