

## **CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY CAUCUS MEETING**

**APRIL 15, 2009 – 6PM**

City Attorney Pete Summe, in the absence of Mayor Nienaber, opened the meeting with a Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. The following members answered roll call, Mr. Bernie Wessels, Mr. Scott Wall, Mr. Adam Feinauer, Mr. Todd McMurtry and Mr. Dave Hatter. Also present were City Attorney Pete Summe, City Administrator Gary Huff, Police Chief Dan Kreinest, Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe, Public Works Director Tim Maloney and City Clerk Joyce Woods. Mayor Joe Nienaber Jr. and Mr. Joe Averdick were unavailable for the meeting.

Motion by Mr. Feinauer, second by Mr. McMurtry to appoint Dave Hatter as acting Mayor for this meeting. All members voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

### Committee Updates

#### Finance

We will have 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the FYE 2009/2010 Budget at the May 6, 2009 Council Meeting. There will be a Finance Committee meeting on May 5, 2009.

#### Community Preservation

The first Fort Wright Fix up Day is scheduled for April 18<sup>th</sup> from 10AM-2PM at the Fort Wright Civic Club. A flyer was distributed to every business in Fort Wright to participate, flyers passed out at the fish fries, on the message board in front of the City Building and in the recent issue of the Top of The Hill News. There will be refreshments available to purchase and we are hoping for a good turnout.

#### Lot Split – Frisch's/Bank

Frisch's restaurant is currently an accessory use on the lot which is currently a PO-2, and Guardian Bank, who is the owner of the property, would like to sell this lot to Frisch's. Mr. Huff suggested putting sit down restaurants in all PO-2 Zones. This item will be brought to the Economic Development Committee, and a surveyor will be invited to attend this meeting.

## Wright Summit For Sale Sign

Jay Bayer of Bayer Becker was present at the meeting with copies of the site plan and sign sample for the Wrights Summit Subdivision. The proposed sign would be facing the interstate and be 8x20 in size. The sign states that this property is available for Retail/Office/Restaurant. He was advised that the only retail allowed was the luxury car dealers and no restaurants at this time in the PO3 Zone. Mr. Bayer will re-work the sign.

## Pinehurst

Mr. Huff addressed Council regarding the previous discussion of Pinehurst Drive, which is in both Edgewood and Fort Wright. Mr. Huff spoke to City Administrator of Edgewood, Roger Rolfes and he suggested that we phase in the process of Edgewood taking over the properties from Fort Wright over a 3 to 4 year process. Each year Fort Wright would give up so many of the jobs that we are now responsible for, snow removal, fire protection, police protection and a portion of the property tax that would be charged to residents. Mr. Summe advised he would check the cost of de-annexing these properties. Council stated that they would like to start this process as soon as possible and turn it all over to Edgewood at the same time, instead of phasing it out over 4 years.

## Ethic Ordinance

It was suggested to look at the overall Ordinance and have the Ethics Board review and suggest if there are changes needed. That way, if changes are needed, we can revise it all at the same time. We could get help from NKADD.

## Subdivision Regulation Update

Mr. Huff advised there is information included in the packet. Some of the proposals are that single family subdivisions have sidewalks on one side of street. There are narrowing street widths, which is still permitted for safety equipment. Mr. Hatter advised that he trusts Mr. Huff and Mr. Maloney's judgment and will abide by what they suggest.

## City Issued Tickets

A list of increased proposed fine schedule included in the packet and this will be addressed at the next meeting.

## Advertising on Police Cars

Mr. Huff advised we had discussed this item previously and consensus of Council would be that if a reputable company wanted to donate a vehicle with minimal advertising that would be looked at. We do not want just anyone to be able to buy ads on the vehicles. Mr. Huff advised he would research this further with City Attorney Pete Summe.

## Economic Development Committee Update

Debi Martin, a member of the Economic Development Committee addressed Council regarding the logo and advertising that had been discussed previously to market Fort Wright to potential businesses and homebuyers. She advised that they did have one more bid for consideration. The recommendation of the committee was to go with Cooney Design in the amount of \$3245.00, for logo and development work. Mr. Huff advised that we have \$10,000.00 in this year's budget and another \$10,000.00 in next year's budget to cover this expense and to do the project right. Council stated that they would like the Mayor to proceed with the contract.

## Donation Request

The City had received a request for financial support from a student of Villa Madonna Academy for their international mission trip to Guatemala. Council decided that it was not appropriate to have the City donate a monetary amount to any cause. If anyone wanted to donate personally they were welcome to.

Motion by Mr. McMurtry, 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