

CITY OF FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY COUNCIL MEETING

FEBRUARY 1, 2012 – 600PM

Mayor Nienaber called the meeting to order at 6:00PM with a Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. The following members answered roll call, Mr. Bernie Wessels, Mr. Joe Averdick, Mr. Adam Feinauer and Mr. Scott Wall. Also in attendance were City Administrator Gary Huff, Fire/EMS Chief Steve Schewe, Police Chief Dan Kreinest, Public Works Director Tim Maloney and City Clerk Joyce Woods. Mr. Todd McMurtry arrived at 6:05PM and Mr. Dave Hatter was unavailable for this meeting.

Citizen Comments

Ms. Diane St. Onge of 203 Farmington Drive, Lakeside Park, Ky. addressed Council and stated that she is running for State Representative in the 63rd District. She is a former Councilwoman from Lakeside Park, was on the Public Works Committee, liaison between Municipal Government League and the City. Her priority is job growth and has gone door to door and spoke to many people in the community. She stated that she does have a website, and welcomes any input. She thanked Council for their time.

Approval of Minutes

All four sets of minutes will have to be tabled until the next regular Council meeting on March 7, 2012 due to lack of Councilmen who had attended the meetings.

Ordinance 01-12 – Second Reading – Ordinance Amending the City of Fort Wright Zoning Ordinance to add Business or Professional Colleges to the list of Permitted Uses in a PO-1 Zone

Mayor Nienaber read this Ordinance, Motion by Mr. Wall, second by Mr. Averdick to approve. Roll call vote taken, McMurtry and Feinauer voting in favor, Wessels abstained, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Ordinance 02-12 – First Reading of Ordinance between Fort Wright and Kenton County Fiscal Court for Animal Control within the City Limits of Fort Wright

Mayor Nienaber read this Ordinance in summary. Motion by Mr. McMurtry, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve. Roll call vote taken, Wessels, Averdick and Wall voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

This Ordinance is an interlocal agreement with surrounding cities approving the City of Covington joining into this group. They would pay their share and more funds to supply an extra full time Animal Control Officer. The cost would stay the same for two years, and after that time could increase an additional 5% per year.

Executive Order 03-12 Appointing Jeff Wolnitzek to the Fort Wright Board of Adjustment for a term starting February 1, 2012 and ending at midnight December 31, 2015.

Motion by Mr. Wessels, second by Mr. Wall to approve. Roll call vote taken, Feinauer, Averdick and McMurtry voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Ordinance 3-12 – First Reading – Ordinance Enacting and Adopting a Supplement to the Code of Ordinances

Mayor Nienaber read this Ordinance

Motion by Mr. McMurtry, second by Mr. Feinauer to approve. Roll call vote taken, Wessels, Averdick and Wall voting in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed.

Administrator's Report

Mr. Huff reminded Council to either bring their Code of Ordinance books to the next meeting to have their updates added to their books, or to take the copies that were supplied by American Legal Publishing and insert them into the books they have.

At the next Caucus meeting we will start to work on the upcoming Budget and gather information from the department heads. Mr. Huff will meet with the Finance Committee to discuss information with them and review it with Council in March.

This is the year we review our contract with Park Hills regarding EMS service and will update and recognize our service increases that we will offer with ALS service.

Department Reports

Fire/EMS Chief Schewe stated that we will be discussing the transition from ALS to BLS in the next few weeks. Mayor Nienaber advised that Fort Mitchell Mayor Wiest spoke at the Mayor's Group meeting regarding the proposal of Fort Mitchell and Fort Wright to provide the ALS services. We will fulfill our contract with Rural Metro before the city starts providing that service.

Thanks to Chief Schewe for all the work done on this tremendous service that we will be able to provide to all citizens.

Police Chief Dan Kreinest reported that Police Officer Mark Spanyer's last day will be on February 11, 2012. He will be working for the City of Fort Mitchell and we wish him well. We have two conditional offers out to qualified police officers. We will interview the third candidate next week.

Public Works Director Tim Maloney reported that the nicer weather has freed up time to do maintenance work inside the City Building. We have had a mild winter with no excess overtime or no use of salt.

City Clerk Joyce Woods reported that we have collected quite a few tax bills in January and only have 37 bills left from 2011. We will continue to send out the delinquent bills and hope to collect additional payments in future months.

Motion by Mr. Wall, second by Mr. Averdick 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