

CITY OF EDGEWOOD
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 7, 2005
6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Link called the meeting of the Edgewood City Council to order at 6:30 p.m. in council chambers of the Edgewood City Building. The following council members were present: Bill Grady, Scott Guenther, Jeff Schreiber, Dale Henson, Nancy Atkinson and Ray Spears. Also in attendance were City Administrator Roger Rolfes, City Attorney Frank Wichmann and City Clerk Jeanette Kemper. Mark Steffen was absent.

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – No changes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Mr. Guenther made a **motion** to adopt the January 17, 2005 as written; seconded by Mr. Spears. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Mayor's Report - Mayor Link attended the Northern Kentucky Rehabilitation Hospital's advisory board meeting last week; the Hospice Center at St. E. North will be moving to St. E. South; thanked the residents who attended the ice skating party at the N. KY. Ice Center had approximately 200-300 in attendance.

Administrator's Report – Mr. Rolfes stated that the electric wires were relocated for the new city building; they're working on telephone and cable wiring this week; they're hoping to have the structural steel up on the building next week. There was a caucus meeting held over the weekend it was heavily attended, people voiced their concerns of the essential impact of the county payroll tax situation on TANK. If the counties do have to refund that money and lose that amount of money from their budgets then Campbell County would go bankrupt and Kenton County would be hurting. Campbell County would have to refund \$21M and lose about \$4M a year in revenue. It would go beyond TANK it would effect a number of items such as parochial school bus service.

Staff Reports – Council reviewed reports from the following staff members: City Administrator, City Clerk, EMS/Fire, General Services, Properties, Public Safety, and Recreation.

CITIZENS DESIRING RECOGNITION ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Ian Vanlierop with Boy Scout troop 236 from Gloria Dei Lutheran Church was in attendance working towards the communications merit badge.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Brookwood Commons/Schreiber Development – Mr. Wichmann stated that an agreement had been reached.

Facilities Update – Mr. Rolfes stated that in addition to what he stated above in his administrator's report Pilot continues to make a good effort to catch up on the project they had people working this past Saturday. Soon they'll be working on the interior.

Ky 17 Corridor Study – in regards to a corridor study for Ky 17 that included Sperti Drive, Mr. Rolfes reported that the city could formally adopt the corridor study as it applies to property in Edgewood and ask that the appropriate zone change be made or initiate the process with the appropriate public hearings and conclude that a different land use would be better for that property and request that the zone change be amended or leave things as is and wait for a developer to come to the city with a proposal and accept it or reject it based on its merits at that time and then implement the necessary zone change. The area is currently zoned IP (industrial) and the recommended zone change would be neighborhood commercial. Mr. Rolfes asked council which direction would they like to go in. Council concurred to leave it as is and handle on a case-by-case situation.

NEW BUSINESS

Cancel February 21st council meeting due to President's Day holiday – Mr. Guenther made a **motion** to cancel the February 21st council meeting; seconded by Mrs. Atkinson. **Motion passed 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

Possible truck purchase – the Kentucky Department of Transportation Division of Surplus Property will be holding an auction on February 16 and Mr. Rolfes and Mr. Goetz requested authorization to spend \$10,000 to replace the parks Chevy pickup and/or the parks dump truck if they can find good replacements. The Chevy pickup was scheduled to be replaced in 2003 but wasn't. That truck was purchased from the auction in 2000 for \$3,400. Mr. Henson made a **motion** authorizing the purchase of one or two trucks from the state auction not to exceed \$10,000; seconded by Mr. Grady. **Motion passed 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

Request to repair the cab lift cylinder on the ladder truck by Summit Apparatus due to availability and proximity – Mr. Guenther made a **motion** to approve the repairs to the cab lift cylinder on the ladder truck from Summit Fire at the cost of up to \$800 because the repairs are in the best interest of the public and the city due to location and availability; seconded by Mrs. Atkinson. **Motion passed 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

ORDINANCES, MUNICIPAL ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance 2005-02-02 Fire Hydrant Obstruction – 1st reading – Mr. Wichmann read the ordinance: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD, IN KENTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, IN REGARD TO FIRE HYDRANT OBSTRUCTION. There was discussion regarding existing mailboxes and utility boxes that are only two feet away from hydrants, Mr. Wichmann advised that those would be in violation and the items would have to be relocated. Utility boxes cannot be moved by property owners therefore an exception would be added to the ordinance excluding utilities. The fire department will review various obstruction situations as they arise. Mr. Wichmann will revise and present at the next meeting for first reading again.

Ordinance 2005-01-01 regulating field usage in the parks – 2nd reading – Mr. Wichmann read the ordinance: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD, IN KENTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, AUTHORIZING RESTRICTIONS ON THE PUBLIC USE OF CITY PARKS AND OTHER PUBLIC PROPERTY BY THE EXECUTIVE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY. There was discussion regarding who would be responsible for posting signs on the fields on the weekends Mr. Rolfes said arrangements will be made to make sure that is taken care of. Mr. Spears asked if there was a rainout phone number? Mr. Rolfes said that Mrs. Wolking is planning on posting rainouts on the website. Mr. Guenther suggested to only post signs at Freedom Park since those fields are the main fields that get damaged. Mr. Henson thought it should be in effect for all fields. Mrs. Atkinson stated that if Freedom Park is closed it does not mean that Presidents Park is closed. Mr. Guenther made a **motion** to adopt ordinance 2005-01-01; seconded by Mr. Grady. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Fitness classes are being held through March 31st on Monday and Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. and on Tuesday and Thursday mornings 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. at the Senior Center, cost is \$1 per class.
- Edgewood Night with Mighty Ducks – Cincinnati Gardens – February 27 at 5:05 p.m.
- Ice skating party at the N. Ky. Ice Center February 25th at 6 p.m. – free to Edgewood residents.
- Senior Expo – February 24 at the Senior Center – 1 – 4 p.m.
- We will be sending out the next shipment of donations to our adopted troop on February 15th. Please drop off your items at the city building. 43 boxes were shipped in January.
- Edgewood Fire Department Fish Fry every Friday from February 11 to March 25th from 5 – 8 p.m. at the Edgewood Senior Center.

Norbert Meyer, 3118 Locust Hollow, requested that the Mayor announce that the seniors play cards at the Senior Center every Tuesday at noon; all seniors welcome.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Spears made a **motion** to adjourn at 7:28 p.m.; seconded by Mr. Grady. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

Mayor John D. Link

Attest: _____
Jeanette Kemper, City Clerk
Date passed: _____