

**CITY OF EDGEWOOD
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

March 5, 2007

6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Link called the meeting of the Edgewood City Council to order at 6:30 PM in the council chambers of the Edgewood City Building. The following council members were present: Nancy Atkinson, Dale Henson, Jeff Schreiber, Chris Link, David MacMillan, Mark Steffen and Ray Spears. Also in attendance were City Attorney Frank Wichmann, City Administrator Roger Rolfes and City Clerk Jeanette Kemper.

INTRODUCTION OF POLICE CHAPLAIN

Chief Tony Kramer introduced the police department's Chaplain Mike Sweeney. Mr. Sweeney thanked council for allowing him to serve the city. He then gave the invocation.

INVOCATION by Mr. Mike Sweeney

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Mr. Rolfes deleted item #6 resident Barbara Groene and added item #24 under New Business temporary Sergeant's position in the police department.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – **February 5, 2007 Meeting Minutes** - Mrs. Atkinson made a **motion** to adopt the February 5, 2007 meeting minutes as written; seconded by Mr. Spears. **Motion passed: 7 ayes – 0 nays.**

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Mayor's Report – Mayor Link attended a dispatch meeting along with other cities; no decisions have been made yet.

Administrator's Report – Mr. Rolfes had nothing to report.

Staff Reports – Council reviewed reports from the following staff members: City Administrator, City Clerk, Fire/EMS, General Services, Police, and Recreation. Under the Administrator's report Mr. Schreiber said he would like to discuss, in the future, pricing on the generator that Mr. Rolfes spoke about in his written report. Mr. Schreiber had spoken to Mr. Goetz about this when the Senior Center was opened to the public for an emergency shelter during the recent snowstorm and power outages. Only two people used the center and they weren't residents and Mr. Schreiber said he's not sure if it's worth doing in the future. Mr. Rolfes said there were three

people that stayed. Every situation is different. We could have a capacity crowd and then we could have no one show up. Mr. Rolfes said he would like to wait and see if a grant opportunity comes up to obtain the emergency generator and then we could see how much it would be and what the city's portion would be. We would then come back to council. He said it would be nice if the Senior Center was on generated power due to all the events that are held there. Council commended the public works department for a job well done clearing the streets during the recent snowstorms. Under the Fire Department report Mrs. Atkinson asked Chief Dreyer about the vehicle exhaust system. They are looking at possibly getting a different system from the original plans. She asked if the system they're currently looking at would eliminate the black soot buildup around the top of the building. Chief Dreyer said they'll be going out for bid again for that system; he has rewritten the specs and he'll have more information to come. Mr. Schreiber asked about the status of rewriting the by-laws. Chief Dreyer said has a committee working on it. He'll bring it back to council when they're revised possibly within the next 60 days.

CITIZENS DESIRING RECOGNITION ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Gazebo update – Adam Rigsby thanked the Mayor and Council for allowing him to do this for his Eagle Scout project. He stated that the gazebo is done except for the pavers. They could not be put down due to the weather. The project took nine workdays and 540 man-hours. Council commended Mr. Rigsby on a job well done. The gazebo looks great and was completed on time. Mr. Rigsby thanked everyone for their donations. Mr. Rolfes said the order for the bricks was placed today and when the weather permits they'll install them. They will then be available for inscription for a fee.

Match Trail Grant – Mr. Rolfes reported that we have been working with the Kenton County Board of Education to put together a grant application, if funded, it would enable us to extend the trail at Freedom Park to Hinsdale School. If we are funded the city would have to contribute not more than \$2,000. Passage of a resolution is to follow later in the meeting. Mr. Spears asked about the hospital wanting to connect to the trail as well. Mr. Rolfes said they haven't met yet to discuss it but they are interested.

NEW BUSINESS

Monument and dedication ceremony for "Bill Grady Park" – Mr. Rolfes advised that Lewin Monument has a 2'x3' granite slab available that could have Mr. Grady's picture etched into it

along with other wording for a cost of \$500. Dedication would be in the spring once the whole project is complete. Council concurred to go with the granite and dedication in the spring.

Security cameras and electronic sign – Mr. Rolfes said these were items that were included in the money that was put in General Services CIP miscellaneous line item and he wanted council's approval to proceed. The security cameras are needed in the sally port. We would also like to go out for bid again for the electronic sign. Council concurred. Mr. MacMillan said there was discussion in the past about putting cameras in the engine bays and wanted to know if they were still going to proceed with that. Mr. Rolfes spoke to Chief Dreyer about it. He seemed comfortable with where we are now. If we need to put them in we may be able to come up with some cameras that would work that we're already donated. Those donated cameras will not work with what we're currently trying to achieve in the police department.

Budget process 2007-08 – per council's request from last year Mr. Rolfes asked council what they would like to see or do in regards to preparing for the budget. Mr. Schreiber said he wants to review what we're doing. He feels we have too much surplus and said if we're taking in more than what we need then we should look at that; he suggested having a committee meeting. A committee meeting was scheduled for Monday April 30th at 6:30 p.m.

Report on tree branch removal – Mr. Rolfes said the General Services department was able to obtain a chipper from the county and go around the city picking up tree branches that were knocked down during the recent snowstorm. Mr. MacMillan said he received a lot of good comments about this service from the old Edgewood area. Mr. Goetz said they started on the west side of the city and are currently in the Edge Mar area and will continue to the east until all streets have been covered.

Temporary Sergeant Position – Mr. Rolfes stated that Sgt. Brian Zurborg will be going to the FBI Academy for 10 weeks and in his absence Chief Kramer would like to temporarily appoint Officer Nathan Due to serve as sergeant until Sgt. Zurborg returns and compensate him for the difference of pay between his current pay and the starting sergeant's salary which would be \$2,061.00. Mr. Henson made a **motion** to appoint Officer Nathan Due to the Sergeant's position temporarily; second by Mrs. Atkinson. **Motion passed: 7 ayes – 0 nays.** Mayor Link congratulated the Chief for getting another officer in the academy. He hopes to get Sgt. Jason Grigsby in the academy in the future.

ORDINANCES, MUNICIPAL ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2007-01 – Extended Trail Grant (R.C. Hinsdale School to Freedom Park) – Mr. MacMillan made a **motion** to adopt resolution 2007-01; second by Mr. Spears. **Motion passed: 7 ayes – 0 nays.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Fire Department is having their Fish Fry every Friday until April 6th from 5-8 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Senior Expo will be held on March 15th from 2-4 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Mystery Dinner will be held on March 17th at 6:30 p.m. at the Senior Center, cost is \$25 per person, reservations due March 9th.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Atkinson made a **motion** to adjourn at 7:20 p.m.; second by Mr. MacMillan. **Motion passed: 7 ayes – 0 nays.**

Mayor John D. Link

Attest: _____
Jeanette Kemper, City Clerk

Date passed: _____