

**CITY OF EDGEWOOD
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

April 2, 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.

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Mr. Rolfes added item #22 under New Business - Administration computer software.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 19, 2007 Meeting Minutes - Mrs. Atkinson made a **motion** to adopt the March 19, 2007 meeting minutes as written; seconded by Mr. Henson. Mr. MacMillan, Mr. Schreiber and Mr. Spears abstained. **Motion passed: 4 ayes – 3 abstentions.**

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Mayor's Report – Mayor Link received a thank you letter from the City of Butler thanking the city for selling them a police cruiser. Mayor Link stated the gazebo is being used even though the project is not completely finished. He observed numerous people utilizing it.

Administrator's Report – Mr. Rolfes distributed a copy of the settlement that was reached with the Cable Board. Also, copies of a drawing for the Hinsdale intersection were distributed. Stan Goetz drew up landscaping plans for the gazebo and Mr. Rolfes stated that it might cost approximately \$3,000. Rose bushes that are being provided by the Grady family will be incorporated into the landscaping as well.

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 asked if the city could obtain a copy of Ft. Mitchell's budget and a copy of another city's budget that is of similar size as Edgewood and provide those at the budget/committee meeting that is scheduled for April 30th; Mr. Rolfes said we would obtain that information. General Services – Mr. Schreiber asked Mr. Goetz if they are going to repair the pothole on Dudley at Lindsey; Mr. Goetz advised yes they are. Mr. Schreiber also asked when turf was going to be put down on the fields. Mr. Goetz saying they're working on it now. Mr. Steffen asked for an update on the Brookwood Circle sewer project completion date. Mr. Goetz said two to three weeks.

CITIZENS DESIRING RECOGNITION ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Gazebo update – Mr. Rolfes stated the project is substantially complete except for the landscaping, lighting and those should be done by the end of May or first of June. Hope to have the dedication at that time.

NEW BUSINESS

Redesign the intersections of Dudley, Charter Oak and Tupman Lane – the city has received several complaints about the backup of eastbound Dudley Road traffic in the morning as people are attempting to make left turns into Hinsdale School to drop off their children. There was discussion of installing a left turn arrow traffic light, which the city has received free of charge, but the only company that would install it wants the city to give them a Hold Harmless agreement. Mr. Rolfes is going to contact the city's insurance company to see what, if any, impact that would have on the city.

Mr. Rolfes spoke with the city's engineer, Hank Fedders, about widening the intersection. A hand written sketch that was drawn up by Mr. Fedders was distributed to council. Mr. Rolfes asked council if they wanted to spend the funds to have Mr. Fedders do a full-scale review with drawings and have the site surveyed. Mr. Rolfes said it may cost several thousand dollars for KZF to draft these items but he'll obtain an estimate first.

Mr. Steffen has discussed this with Connie Ryle, principal of Hinsdale School, and they talked about putting in an access road behind the school off of South Loop Road. He will make contact with her again to obtain any additional ideas and bring them back at the next meeting.

Mr. Henson asked if there was a traffic count. Chief Kramer said there was not. Chief Kramer said traffic does back up to where the house was located next door. Roslyn Forshee, an Erlanger resident who provides transportation for her child, said she was sitting in front of the city building this morning waiting to drop off her child. She stated that people are cutting through Magnolia to go to the light at Charter Oak. She said only one or two vehicles can get through each green light when there is westbound traffic. Hinsdale's parking is small which causes for backups at the light as well. Chief Kramer said the school would prefer for parents who can put their child on the bus to do so. Mr. Schreiver asked if the traffic was the same for St. Pius traffic; Chief Kramer said no not nearly as bad. Mr. Spears said another difference at the Hinsdale intersection is that people are also visiting the BP store. Mrs. Forshee said that Mrs. Ryle said there are plans to increase the size of the parking lot. Mrs. Atkinson said the buses block the intersections as well. Mr. Schreiver said maybe the school would allow an earlier drop off time for the kids. Discussion will continue at the next meeting.

Authorization to spend CIP funds for property tax software - Jeanette Kemper explained to council that she, along with seven other cities, have been searching for a new property tax program. The group has decided to go with a company named Pontem Software. Due to the funds not being budgeted in the current year's budget Mrs. Kemper asked council for authorization to spend \$2,783.50 (50% down payment) out of the CIP and the remaining costs will be deducted from Administration's computer CIP budget for

2007/2008. Mrs. Atkinson made a **motion** to allocate the funds to order the tax software for \$2,783.50; second by Mr. Spears. **Motion passed: 7 ayes – 0 nays.**

Cable board update – Mr. Henson updated council on a lawsuit that has been pending between the cable board and Insight Communications. Mr. Henson was concerned about spending subscriber fees to cover legal costs for the lawsuit but as it turned out that they paid very little due to the insurance covering most of the legal expenses. Mr. Tim Broering, Cable Board, has explained all the details in a memo, which Mr. Rolfes distributed before the meeting.

ORDINANCES, MUNICIPAL ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance 2007-04-01 – Codification of 2006 ordinances – 1st reading – Mr. Wichmann read the ordinance. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD, IN KENTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, ENACTING AND ADOPTING A SUPPLEMENT TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD, KENTUCKY.

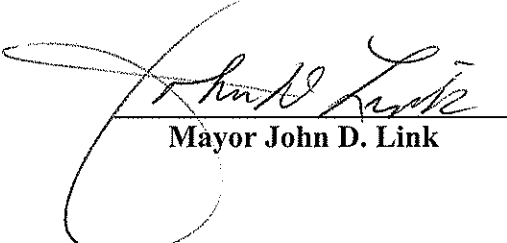
ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Pavers are available for purchase for \$35 for the Bill Grady Park. Contact the city building for information.
- The Fish Fry continues until April 6th from 5-8 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Easter Egg Hunt will be held Saturday April 7th at 2:00 p.m. at Presidents Park for children ages 3-8.
- Softball and volleyball leagues are now forming. Registration deadline is April 18th. Contact Kim Wolking for more information.
- Amazing Race will be April 14th; registration is limited to the first 25 teams.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. MacMillan made a **motion** to adjourn at 7:30 p.m.; second by Mr. Henson. **Motion passed: 7 ayes – 0 nays.**

Attest: 
Jeanette Kemper, City Clerk


Mayor John D. Link

Date passed: 4/16/07