

**CITY OF EDGEWOOD
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
March 17, 2008
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, David MacMillan, Dale Henson, Mark Steffen, Chris Link, Ray Spears and Jeff Schreiber. Also in attendance were City Administrator Roger Rolfes, City Attorney Frank Wichmann and City Clerk Jeanette Kemper.

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Nancy Atkinson added discussion of intersection of Thomas More and South Loop Road.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 3, 2008 Meeting Minutes – Mrs. Atkinson made a **motion** to adopt the March 3, 2008 meeting minutes as written; second by Mr. Schreiber. Mr. Link, Mr. Spears and Mr. Steffen abstained. **Motion passed: 4 ayes – 3 abstentions.**

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Mayor's Report – Mayor Link thanked the General Services Department for a job well done during the recent snow storm as well as Fire/EMS who had to make runs during the storm. Mayor Link and Mr. Rolfes attended the NLC Conference in Washington. He felt they had productive meetings.

Administrator's Report – Mr. Rolfes said the documents that were distributed tonight were as a result of Saturday's Mayor's Group meeting. He asked council to review them. Mr. Rolfes also commended General Services for clearing the streets recently and said the city received calls about the snow being piled in front of driveways. When plowing snow it has to go somewhere and the city cannot help blocking driveways.

CITIZENS DESIRING RECOGNITION ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA – Mark Stamm of Crestview Hills with Boy Scout Troop 239 was in attendance earning credit towards his communications merit badge.

Norbert Meyer, 3118 Locust Hollow, stated that he was happy with the snow removal on his street. He also asked why the city couldn't have Thomas More Parkway, Dudley Road and Horsebranch included in the state highway system. Mayor Link stated the state wouldn't take them over unless they got something in return.

Mr. Steffen also commended General Services for snow removal and said he received several calls complimenting them as well.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – **New Pay Plan** – Mr. Rolfes stated that the ordinance will be put on the next meeting's agenda if there isn't any objection.

New sign ordinance – Mr. Rolfes said there was a meeting recently with more meetings to come. The changes to the ordinance will affect all cities in the county. He asked council to review the document and voice any concerns/questions. It'll probably come back to the city in two months for action.

NEW BUSINESS – Intersection of Thomas More Parkway and South Loop Road – Mrs. Atkinson voiced concerns on this intersection. There is a lot of traffic and pedestrians at this intersection with the various medical offices and Gateway school nearby. She has received complaints about how difficult it is for drivers trying to turn left out of South Loop onto Thomas More as well as pedestrians trying to cross over to Gateway and cross over from the parking lot to the medical facility. There isn't a designated walkway at either intersection. She received suggestions of either installing a traffic light or stop signs at this location. Chief Kramer said we should commission a traffic survey to determine an accurate traffic count. That count would then be applied to the manual of Uniform of Traffic Control Devices to see if the amount of traffic meets one or more of the warrants that are necessary for the installation of a traffic control device. Chief Kramer said he would be against stop signs because there are only problems at peak hours/shift changes versus a continuous time. Our engineer, KZF, would be able to do the survey which may cost a few thousand dollars. Mr. Steffen thinks that stop signs would be beneficial due to the speeds of vehicles in that area. Chief Kramer said stop signs are not to be used as speed control. Mr. Steffen said he understands that but Thomas More is more congested now than ever before. Mayor Link said there needs to be some education done at the hospital and at the school to advise people that they could use Dudley Road as well to avoid backups. He said we'll go ahead and do the study. Mr. Rolfes said we've been contacted by the hospital administration about a similar situation with their main drive going out onto Thomas More also. We can't put a traffic light at both intersections; they're too close. We'll study both intersections. The city will go ahead paint crosswalks and install "yield to pedestrians" signs at the South Loop intersection.

Mr. Henson asked if the new traffic light at Hinsdale helped that traffic issue. Chief Kramer said he hasn't heard any complaints. Mrs. Atkinson said that she has heard a lot of positive comments, people really appreciate it. Chief Kramer said there is still an issue with the Hinsdale's lot not being able to accommodate all vehicles for afternoon pickups.

ORDINANCES, MUNICIPAL ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS – **Ordinance 2008-03-01 implementing 911 fees on land lines** – 2nd reading. Mr. Wichmann read the ordinance: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD, IN KENTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, ESTABLISHING 911 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SERVICES WITHIN THE CITY AND IMPOSING A MONTHLY SUBSCRIBER SERVICE CHARGE OF \$2.76 TO PAY THE COSTS AND EXPENSES THEREOF. Mr. MacMillan made a **motion** to adopt ordinance 2008-03-01; second by Mr. Spears. **Motion passed: 7 ayes – 0 nays.**

Ordinance 2008-03-02 adopting the 2007 supplement to the code of 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.

Resolution 2008-05 support House Bill 600 to reform CERS – Mr. Rolfes said there is a Senate version and a House version of this bill; the resolution is drafted supporting the House version but now it there is also a Senate version. The bill is in Conference Committee right now.

Mr. Steffen made a **motion** to adopt resolution 2008-05 to reform CERS; second by Mrs. Atkinson. **Motion passed 7 ayes – 0 nays.**

Ordinance 2008-03-03 Landlord business license revocation – 1st reading – Mr. Wichmann read the ordinance: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD, IN KENTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF EDGEWOOD ORDINANCE 2007-11-06 IN REGARD TO BUSINESS REGULATORY LICENSES, FEES AND THE SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION THEREOF.

Mr. Schreiber asked who will enforce the ordinance. Mr. Wichmann said either Mr. Rolfes or the police department. Mr. Rolfes said it has been brought to our attention that there are certain properties within the city where there is a fairly consistent trail of violations at some rental properties and this is a way of dealing with that. Mr. Rolfes said a letter will go out to the property owners informing them of the ordinance and advise them of the provisions that should be included in leases.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

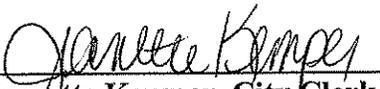
- The Edgewood Fire Department Fish Fry ends this Friday March 21st. Hours are 5 pm to 8 pm at the Senior Center.
- Easter Egg Hunt for ages 3-8 is March 22nd at 2 pm at Presidents Park
- Softball and volleyball leagues are now forming; entry deadline is April 18th.
- The Amazing Race scavenger hunt will be Saturday April 19th at 6:30 p.m. Pre-registration is required; cost is \$20 per group.
- MGLNK meeting will be March 20th at the Crestview Hills city building.

Mr. Rolfes thanked council for calling the Legislative hotline opposing house bill 579.

ADJOURNMENT

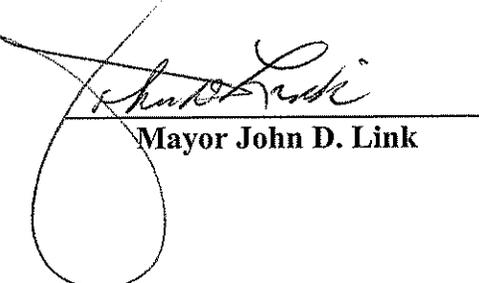
Mrs. Atkinson made a **motion** to adjourn at 7:35 p.m.; second by Mr. MacMillan. **Motion passed: 7 ayes – 0 nays.**

Attest:


 Jeanette Kemper, City Clerk

Date passed:

4/7/08


 Mayor John D. Link