

**CITY OF EDGEWOOD
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

April 21, 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, and Ray Spears. Also in attendance were City Administrator Roger Rolfes, City Attorney Kim Quinn for Frank Wichmann and City Clerk Jeanette Kemper. Chris Link and Jeff Schreiber were absent.

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – no changes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 7, 2008 Meeting Minutes – Mrs. Atkinson made a **motion** to adopt the April 7, 2008 meeting minutes as written; second by Mr. Henson. Mr. Spears abstained. **Motion passed: 4 ayes – 1 abstention.**

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Mayor's Report – Mayor Link stated that we were honored that Mrs. Jane Beshear, the first lady of Kentucky, visited Caywood and presented them with the Energy Star Savings Award. Our staff attended as well. Edgewood hosted the Mayor's Group Meeting this past Saturday. Kenton County Fiscal Court was in attendance. Judge Ralph Drees advised the cities that they are in a financial crisis and that they'll be increasing their fees for services provided to the cities such as doubling the collection fee for occupational licenses and payroll taxes from 1% to 2%. He said they are losing money on the county garage services as well as animal control but they'll leave those alone this fiscal year and possibly look at increasing those next fiscal year. The cities will be exploring other options. Mayor Link and Roger Rolfes completed the IS300 course as required by FEMA. Mayor Link thanked the Recreation Committee and Jeff and Kitten Schreiber for putting on the Amazing Race event. The event was at full capacity and everyone had a great time.

Resolution 2008-07 commending Thomas More College and its TAP Program for its fifteen years of successful service to the region – Mayor Link read and presented Resolution 2008-07 to Dr. Brad Bielski, Dean and Vice President of Academic Affairs for Thomas More College. Dr. Bielski thanked the city for recognizing the school. Mr. MacMillan made a **motion** to adoption Resolution 2008-07; second by Mr. Steffen. **Motion passed: 5 ayes – 0 nays.**

Administrator's Report – Mr. Rolfes stated that the first draft of the budget was distributed for council's review. The only thing not included is the individual salaries because they have not been discussed with the staff yet. The total for fulltime salaries averaged out to 5.56% and for part time employees no one went over 6% per council's direction.

CITIZENS DESIRING RECOGNITION ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA – June Hedger, 3042 Belleflower, stated her displeasure with one of our police officers working a detail in Lakeside Park in which she received a parking citation by Lakeside Park police.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – **Budget Calendar** – Mr. Rolfes asked council if they prefer to have special meetings or caucus meetings for April 28 and May 12 to review the budget. Council agreed to have caucus meetings.

NEW BUSINESS – None.

ORDINANCES, MUNICIPAL ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS –

Municipal Order 2008-02 – adopt pay plan – Mr. Henson made a **motion** to adopt Municipal Order 2008-02; second by Mrs. Atkinson. Mr. Spears voted nay stating that he is in favor of a merit based pay plan but to achieve that a limit should be placed on COLA to allow the merit portion to play a larger role in the pay plan. Mr. Rolfes said there is a provision for that in the plan. Mr. Rolfes said COLA gets applied to the brackets and council sets the amount of COLA each year that will be applied to the individuals. Mr. Spears said it's not clearly written in the plan. Mr. Steffen suggested that it be worded a little more clearly in terms of the council establishing the COLA on an individual basis. It will remain as written. **Motion passed 4 ayes – 1 nay.**


Resolution 2008-06 – match FEMA grant for purchase of personal protective equipment – Mr. MacMillan made a **motion** to adopt Resolution 2008-06; second by Mr. Steffen. **Motion passed: 5 ayes – 0 nays.**

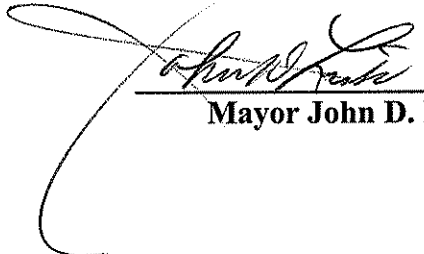
ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- N. Ky. Senior Games will be held May 12-16; contact the city of Ft. Thomas at 781-1700 to register.
- Perennial Swap will be held on May 10 at 10 a.m. at Freedom Park. Bring a plant that you would like to swap for another.
- Memorial Day Ceremony will be held at Freedom Park on Monday, May 26 at 10 a.m.
- Mayor Link read a letter from the City of Florence thanking our police department for their assistance with a recent case.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. MacMillan made a **motion** to adjourn at 7:25 p.m.; second by Mr. Henson. **Motion passed: 5 ayes – 0 nays.**

Attest: 
 Jeanette Kemper, City Clerk
 Date passed: 5/5/08


 Mayor John D. Link