

**CITY OF EDGEWOOD
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

January 5, 2009

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: Joe Messmer, Steve Jaeger, Jeff Schreiber, Dale Henson, Chris Link, Steve Middendorf and Ray Spears. Also in attendance were City Administrator Roger Rolfes, City Attorney Frank Wichmann and City Clerk Jeanette Kemper.

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Mr. Henson added Telecommunications Board meeting under New Business and Mr. Schreiber added Citizens Survey under New Business as well.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 15, 2008 Meeting Minutes – Mr. Schreiber made a **motion** to adopt the December 15, 2008 meeting minutes as written; second by Mr. Spears. Mr. Jaeger, Mr. Link and Mr. Messmer abstained. **Motion passed: 4 ayes – 3 abstentions.**

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Mayor's Report – Mayor Link thanked the staff for their assistance during all the events this holiday season. Mayor Link thanked the residents for their participation in the Home Decorating Contest; there were over 100 participants. There was a good turnout for the ice skating party last night.

Administrator's Report – Mr. Rolfes said the December's Treasurer's Report technically is correct but in reality it gives a false impression on where we are. We received a direct deposit from the County in December but the bank statement hasn't been received yet therefore, that deposit wasn't included in this report. When the treasurer does include it our revenues will be at 54.49%; the report currently shows it at 43%. A revised treasurer's report will be issued for the next meeting. In the future it'll be double checked to make sure those deposits are included. Mr. Henson suggested that the treasurer check our account online for the most current information.

Mr. Rolfes said there is a revision to the Phase 1 development plan for St. Elizabeth. The hospital is building a three level employee parking garage off South Loop that will hold 400 cars on each level. It was previously stated that the issue will go to the planning commission then to council for action. But it was discovered that the Institutional Zone Phase 1 development is an administrative approval as opposed to a legislative approval therefore an ordinance is not needed. A copy of the drawing was reviewed. The current employee out lots will become public parking. Mr. Messmer asked about the height of the interior of the garage; Mr. Rolfes didn't know it but it'll come in phase two. Mr. Messmer said if they maintain what they have in the existing garage it'll be okay; Mr. Rolfes said that is their intention. Mr. Wichmann said phase two has to conform to all the city's regulations. Mr. Rolfes said he'll notify them of the height regulation when he returns the drawing tomorrow; he'll also send a letter and give Mr. Messmer a copy. Mr. Wichmann said we need to verify that our existing regulations have that requirement in it. Mr. Middendorf asked if the entrance would be the same off of South Loop; Mr. Rolfes said no it'll be a separate entrance.

Mr. Henson asked Mr. Rolfes about the Dixie Fix meeting that Mr. Rolfes attended where he talked about the turn lanes for Dudley/Dixie and Dudley/KY 17. Mr. Henson recalled getting a turn lane for

n/b Dixie onto e/b Dudley; Mr. Rolfes said there was a mix up on the funding. The state applied for a right turn lane on n/b Dixie onto e/b Dudley and it was funded. The right turn from Dudley to n/b Dixie did not get funded; we will try later to get this funded. Mr. Schreiver thought we were trying for two left turns onto Dixie and a right turn lane to Dixie but he doesn't think it's that big of a problem to have to have a right turn lane. Mr. Rolfes said because we are not adding a lane on Dudley the state will not allow three directions from one lane, one left turn, one straight ahead and one right turn.

Mr. Rolfes asked the state about adding a second left turn lane from Dudley to n/b KY 17. The state said they couldn't do it unless they had two left turn lanes turning onto e/b I-275. We are not allowed to change the entrance to a state highway without their permission. Mr. Schreiver asked how we can get that intersection changed because the traffic causes a lot of backups. Mr. Rolfes said we could petition the state which is a long process. They don't have any money now and they're not accepting new projects. Mr. Henson said to put it on our wish list for federal economic plans; Mr. Rolfes said we'll add it. Mr. Henson said every time the state comes back and says no to this he does not understand how they cannot justify that intersection but yet they have two left turns from s/b Turkeyfoot to e/b Dudley where a lane ends; he does not see the distinction between those two situations. Mr. Messmer said the Dudley/17 intersection has just as much traffic that continues onto 17 to go w/b 275 and continue n/b 17. Mr. Schreiver said we need to start the process whether it takes 5 years or 10 years. Mayor Link said he'll be going to the Transportation Conference soon and he'll mention it.

Staff Reports – Council reviewed reports from the following staff members: City Administrator, City Clerk, Fire/EMS, General Services, Police, and Recreation. Mr. Schreiver asked the fire department if we're having problems with false alarms; according to their report the figures seem high. Captain Tom Dickman said it hasn't been an issue; there have been a couple that they have addressed. Some are new construction issues.

CITIZENS DESIRING RECOGNITION ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA – None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS – **Holiday schedule for 2009** – the new schedule was distributed but the July 4th date was incorrect; it should be July 6th as the day the staff will observe the holiday.

Telecommunications Board Meeting – Mr. Henson stated that Cincinnati Bell applied for a franchise to offer cable television services to TBNK franchise area which includes Edgewood. They've been negotiating and now feel that they have a good franchise and the board voted to recommend approval of that franchise for each of the cities. Each city and/or county will have to pass the franchise individually. A model ordinance will be drafted for adoption of this franchise. Two informational meetings will be held by TBNK at our Senior Center on January 6th & 7th at 6 p.m. and Mr. Henson encouraged everyone to attend either meeting.

Citizens Survey – Mr. Schreiver said a citizen's survey was done 10 years ago and thinks we should do it again. He has a copy of the previous survey and responses and it seemed beneficial doing the survey. Things have been done throughout the city since that survey; which were items that were requested by the residents through the survey. The survey was done by Northern Kentucky University and perhaps we could have them do it again. Mr. Henson agreed that it needs to be done again. Mr. Middendorf said in order to save on postage could it be done online or emailed to everyone. Mr. Schreiver said he like to get our newsletter emailed to residents. Somehow, if we could get the residents to submit their email address to receive such items it could cut back on postage. Mr. Middendorf said we could add a link to our website for the survey. Mayor Link said

we could try it but he believes people still like to receive it in the mail. Mr. Rolfes said we could ask on the survey if residents would like to receive the newsletter by email or mail then create an email list from that. Mr. Henson said he would like to stay with the same basic type of questions on the survey as last time but add some new questions. Mr. Rolfes said we'll ask them to put a draft together and submit it to council for feedback then proceed.

ORDINANCES, MUNICIPAL ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS – Municipal Order 2009-01 authorizing the Mayor to sign the amended ALS agreement with the City of Erlanger – Mr. Rolfes said this was adopted at the last meeting but then Erlanger had a meeting the next day and they changed some wording which was shown to council. Mr. Henson made a **motion** to adopt Municipal Order 2009-01; second by Mr. Messmer. There was a typo in Mr. Rolfes' memo regarding 420 days; it should have read 120 days. Mr. Jaeger abstained. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 1 abstention.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

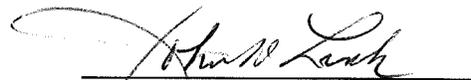
- Executive Order 2009-01 appoints Steven Jaeger as the OKI representative.
- Drop off Christmas trees at Presidents or Freedom Parks to be recycled on January 6th and the 13th.
- Fitness classes start January 5th and run for 8 weeks; pre-register at city building. Classes are offered for Monday & Thursday evenings and Tuesday & Thursday mornings.
- January 18th is Edgewood Night at Town & Country from 6 – 9 p.m. Parents must attend, show I.D. & sign waivers.
- January 19th is Edgewood Day at Laser Kraze in Erlanger from 10 a.m. to noon. Limited to the first 100 residents; parents must attend, sign waivers and show I.D.
- Belly Dance classes start January 21st; pre-register at city building before the 21st.
- MGLNK meeting will be January 15th, 6 p.m. at Oriental Wok.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Henson made a **motion** to adjourn at 7:21 p.m.; second by Mr. Jaeger. **Motion passed: 7 ayes – 0 nays.**

Attest: 
 Jeanette Kemper, City Clerk

Date passed: 1/19/09


 Mayor John D. Link