

**CITY OF EDGEWOOD
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
March 1, 2010
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, Dale Henson, Jeff Schreiber, Ray Spears, Steve Middendorf and Chris Link. Also in attendance were City Attorney Frank Wichmann, City Administrator Roger Rolfes and City Clerk Jeanette Kemper. Steve Jaeger was absent.

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Mr. Rolfes moved the St. Elizabeth proclamation to Reports/Presentation. Mr. Schreiber asked about a report on the recent Kentucky League of Cities (KLC) meeting; Mayor Link will discuss it under his report.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 1, 2010 Meeting Minutes – Mr. Henson made a **motion** to adopt the February 1, 2010 meeting minutes as written; second by Mr. Messmer. Mr. Schreiber abstained. **Motion passed: 5 ayes – 1 abstention.**

REPORT/PRESENTATIONS

Proclamation 2010-02 for Saint Elizabeth Medical Center – Mayor Link read and presented this proclamation to Saint Elizabeth Medical Center proclaiming March 1st as Saint Elizabeth Medical Center Day in Edgewood for being named one of the top 50 hospitals in the country; council concurred. Mr. Gary Blank, St. Elizabeth, thanked the city for their support.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Link congratulated our police department for obtaining a \$6,000 grant for Highway Safety. Mayor Link thanked the General Services Department for a job well done cleaning up after the recent snow storms. Mayor Link recognized the following employees for ten years of service with the city: Fire Lt. Mark Artmeier, Officer Ed Morris and City Administrator Roger Rolfes.

Mayor Link and Roger Rolfes recently attended a Kentucky League of Cities (KLC) meeting where KLC wanted to hear from local officials regarding the KLC's recent problems, mishandling of funds, and the results of the state audit. A lot of local officials were in attendance and voiced their opinions. Personnel changes have been made and more may be coming. KLC's board of director's has made and is still making changes to their procedures. Mayor Link stated that the city did pay its dues, \$2000, to KLC and will maintain its membership especially for the lobbying they do for cities as well as legal consulting. It would cost the city a lot more to do our own lobbying.

Mr. Rolfes said the board has addressed 70% of the financial issues that the auditor addressed. Changes in personnel need to be made per the comments made. Mr. Rolfes spoke to the president about the letter the city sent them and the president said he gave the letter to the By-Laws Committee of the Executive Board to review and potentially implement some recommendations the city made. Some cities are delaying their dues payment and he believes the swing factor will be how they handle the personnel issue. The situation will be monitored and the services they do provide for the city are of value.

Mayor Link said most other states have a League of Cities that provide the same services as KLC. It was asked if they had enquired to other states, such as Indiana or Illinois, to obtain salary information. The response was yes and no, the director set the salaries and the board approved them. There is a new executive board and he feels changes will continue.

Mayor Link attended the MGLNK meeting on February 18th at the Bank of Kentucky area and thanked Joe Wind and NKU, for setting up the meeting and he also thanked Roger Rolfes and Rick Lunneman, City of Florence, for their presentations.

Administrator's Report – Mr. Rolfes reminded everyone that the Census begins this month; please participate. If you do not complete the condensed form they will visit you to obtain the information. If anyone would like to form a committee to support the census, let us know.

Mr. Rolfes demonstrated a new GIS citywide map by Northern KY Area Planning Commission that color codes our streets based on their condition.

Mayor Link gave an update on the Dudley Road CMAQ project. We're still in the engineering mode and dealing with EPA; project may not start until 2011. A new 36 inch water main is being installed on Horsebranch Road and Rhine Valley area starting this spring. Horsebranch Road will be overlaid after that work is done.

Staff Reports – Council reviewed reports from the following staff members: City Administrator, City Clerk, Fire/EMS, General Services, Police, and Recreation.

CITIZENS DESIRING RECOGNITION ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA –

Garth Kuhnhein, 3084 Prestwicke, referred to the January 18, 2010 council meeting minutes and asked about a motion that was made authorizing the purchase of a fire truck and found no reference to whether that fire truck was purchased. Mr. Rolfes said that was authorization to place a bid on a truck through an online auction but after getting more information on the truck the city did not bid on it. Mr. Kuhnhein asked if it was a budgeted item. Mr. Rolfes said there is an accrual of funds to replace the aerial and we would have used those funds.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – **Approval of Summit Fire invoice to perform collision repairs on the right side of Rescue 174** – Mr. Schreiber made a **motion** to approve the collision repairs of Rescue 174 from Summit Fire Apparatus at the cost of \$4057 because the item purchased is in the best interest of the public, and the city due to price; second by Mr. Spears. Mr. Messmer abstained. **Motion passed: 5 ayes – 1 abstention.** Mr. Rolfes explained this process to Mr. Kuhnhein. He stated that under KRS there is a provision for being able to conduct business with an officer of the city provided that you go through a certain process. The process is that you have to announce it upfront what you're going to do and council has to vote on that specific purpose. The motion must be worded in a certain way. Councilman Messmer has the company that can repair fire apparatus and there are not many of those around so it makes sense for the city to deal with him; we check and make sure prices are good.

NEW BUSINESS – **Request to cancel March 15th council meeting** – due to the Mayor being out of town and a light agenda it was requested to cancel the March 15th council meeting. Mr. Spears made a **motion** to cancel the March 15th council meeting; second by Mr. Henson. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

ORDINANCES, MUNICIPAL ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS – **Resolution 2010-01 supporting Community Access Preservation Act** – Mr. Henson made a **motion** to adopt resolution 2010-01; second by Mr. Messmer. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.** Mr. Rolfes asked Mr. Henson about the local programming change. Mr. Henson said channel ICN 6 will become ICN 2 and the cable board has not been advised of any lost local programming; Mr. Henson will look into it and report back.

Resolution 2010-02 supporting an act relating to wet weather discharges – Mr. Middendorf made a **motion** to adopt resolution 2010-02; second by Mr. Link. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

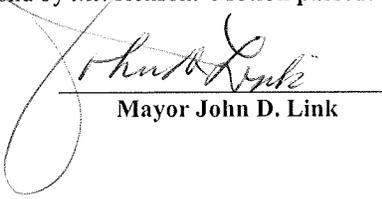
ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Proclamation 2010-01 is hereby issued and proclaims March 10th as Brain Injury Awareness Day.
- Senior Expo will be March 4th, 2-4 p.m. at the senior center.
- Mystery Dinner will be held March 20th at 6:30 p.m. cost is \$25 per person; reservations are due March 15th.
- Easter Egg Hunt will be held April 3rd at 2 p.m. at Presidents Park
- Edgewood Fire/EMS is holding their annual Fish Fry every Friday evening at the senior center from 5 – 8 p.m. through April 2nd.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Middendorf made a **motion** to adjourn at 7:40 p.m.; second by Mr. Henson. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

Attest: 
 Jeanette Kemper, City Clerk
 Date passed: 4/5/10


 Mayor John D. Link