

**CITY OF EDGEWOOD
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
July 15, 2013
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, Chris Link, Joe Messmer, Jeff Schreiber, and Tony Ward. Also in attendance were City Administrator Douglas Beckham, City Attorney Frank Wichmann and City Clerk Jeanette Kemper. Council Members Dale Henson and Steven Jaeger were absent.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – no changes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 17, 2013 Meeting Minutes – Mrs. Atkinson made a motion to adopt the June 17, 2013 meeting minutes as written; second by Mr. Ward. Mr. Link and Mr. Schreiber abstained. **Motion passed: 3 ayes – 2 abstentions.**

REPORT/PRESENTATIONS – **Mr. Bruce Huron of 825 Pinehurst reporting on Air Quality in Edgewood** – Mr. Huron is concerned about the air quality in Edgewood due to smoke and the particles it produces in the air congesting his and everyone's lungs. He read reports from the EPA. The smoke issue Mr. Huron reported is from recreational burning; he is requesting the City of Edgewood prohibit all open burning less than 50 feet of the property boundary with the exception of ceremonial reasons. Mr. Messmer commented that the ordinance doesn't allow for open burning except for fire pits and for ceremonial reasons, Mr. Huron quoted the ordinance prohibiting burning anything other than paper, wood, charcoal, propane, or natural gas. Mr. Messmer asked what are they burning and who is doing the burning? Mr. Huron said his neighbors are burning wood everyday beginning in the morning. Mr. Schreiber asked if he has talked to the neighbor about the burning; Mr. Huron said no and that there is history he didn't want to get into. Mr. Huron then mentioned the neighbors are cigarette smokers and said does a cigarette smoker really care about anybody else's air? Mr. Huron said this has been going on for over a year. Mr. Beckham will follow up on this issue with Mr. Huron.

Mr. Dustin Ingram of 530 Bluebell Lane - Mr. Ingram and his wife are in the Master's Program at Miami University part of the program is to start projects within a community. In speaking with other residents it was suggested that maybe they could start a Community Garden and/or Farmer's Market. Mayor Link mentioned that Edgewood really doesn't have any land available for a community garden; Mr. Ingram mentioned maybe an area in Presidents Park near the parks building, or near the Senior Center behind the soccer fields. Mr. Ingram is thinking about starting with a 5'x5' plot or maybe a 10'x5' plot. Mr. Ward suggested the Ingram's contact Fedders Feed about renting/borrowing some of their land; Mayor Link mentioned that Fedders rents the land from the Foltz's. Mr. Wichmann is concerned about how to define to whom the public property is available, it can't be restricted to just members of a specific organization. Council and Mr. Wichmann will follow up on this and take it into consideration. Mrs. Atkinson asked about the Farmer's Market, Mr. Ingram will contact local farmers about selling produce once or twice a month in Presidents Park or Freedom Park depending on the amount of farmers that are interested in attending.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Link thanked everyone for the 4th of July race, parade and events especially during the inclement weather. The fireworks were shot off 20 minutes early – we had a window of opportunity with a break in the rain and took advantage of it. We had a record number of registered runners/walkers for the 5K, over 1000 registered with around 850 actually showing up. Thanks again to everyone who worked behind the scenes.

Administrator's Report – The grant was successful for the Thomas More/South Loop traffic light.

Assistant Chief Tom Dickman reported on the home at 778 Dudley; this home was donated to the city for fire training purposes. The training was a success and very valuable, they appreciate the opportunity – it doesn't come very often.

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 – none

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Dudley hill construction – we have a couple of the Easements still unsigned however Mr. Beckham is working on this.

NEW BUSINESS – Mr. Beckham reported on recent legislation that approved the sale of alcohol on election days; he’s asked the council members if they would like to leave the ordinance alone or move forward with changing the ordinance to allow sales on those days. Council would like to allow the sales therefore the ordinance will be revised.

There is a small spring in one of the yards on the west side of the east portion of Wildrose Drive, its crossing over the street and in the winter it sheets over into ice and creates a hazard. Mr. Beckham has received three different estimates from the engineers on solutions to the problem. 1 – Install an improved storm drain system for \$29,000 (this will alleviate some of the issues); 2- Construct a curb and gutter on both sides of the road for \$131,000 (this effects the elevation of the driveways); 3 – Full replacement of the existing pavement and widening it to 22’ wide pavement including curb and gutter for \$151,000 (Mr. Beckham and Bob Begnoche both think this is the best solution). Council agreed to add this to the next budget year.

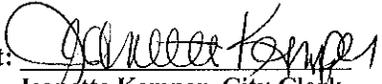
ORDINANCES, MUNICIPAL ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS – Ordinance 2013-07-12 – Comprehensive Plan 2030 Goals and Objectives – 1st reading. Mr. Wichmann read the ordinance: **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD IN THE COUNTY OF KENTON, COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, ACTING ON A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE KENTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION REGARDING A PROPOSED STATEMENT OF GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR A NEW KENTON COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.**

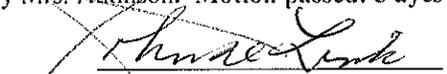
ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Concerts in the park - Tuesday, July 16 at 7:p.m. Presidents Park –The Vintage Band (Oldies and Country), July 23 – Ooh La La & the Greasers, July 30 – 730 Club Band (soft/classic rock)
- Edgewood Night at Putt-Putt – August 4th 6:30-8:30 p.m. – must show proof of residency
- Mayor’s Golf Outing – August 9th 11:a.m. – Twin Oaks - \$80 per golfer, call or stop in the city building to register.
- Free Family Campout – August 10th – Presidents Park – reservations required.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Messmer made a motion to adjourn at 7:50 p.m.; second by Mrs. Atkinson. Motion passed: 5 ayes – 0 nays.

Attest: 
Jeanette Kemper, City Clerk
Date passed: 8/15/2013


Mayor John D. Link