

CITY OF EDGEWOOD
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
September 23, 2013
6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Link called the special 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, Dale Henson, Chris Link, Joe Messmer, Jeff Schreiber, and Tony Ward. Also in attendance were City Clerk Jeanette Kemper and City Attorney Frank Wichmann.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REPORT/PRESENTATIONS – **Accept Resignation of Councilman Steve Jaeger.** Mr. Henson made a motion to accept Steve Jaegers resignation; second by Mr. Ward. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

Presentation to outgoing Councilman Steve Jaeger – Mayor Link thanked Mr. Jaeger for his years of service from 2009 – 2013 and presented him with a plaque.

Mr. Messmer made a motion to go into Executive Session at the end of this meeting to discuss the consideration of resumes to fulfill the council vacancy; second by Mr. Henson. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – August 19, 2013 Meeting Minutes – Mr. Ward made a motion to adopt the August 19, 2013 meeting minutes as written; second by Mr. Messmer. Mrs. Atkinson abstained. **Motion passed: 5 ayes – 1 abstention.**

Mayor's Report – Mayor Link thanked the Public Works department and Elaine for the Arty Party Fall Festival at Freedom Park on September 7, he received a lot of positive feedback on the festival. Mayor Link and Jeanette Kemper have been handling the bulk of the issues in Mr. Beckham's absence, we've had a couple of high grass issues. Mayor Link and Bob Begnoche will meet with the engineers on September 24, 2013 to discuss the city streets and what they found and make sure we coordinate with them. Details from this meeting will be included in our next council meeting. KLC is meeting October 1-4 in Covington, if you would like to attend any of the meetings please let Jeanette know so she can sign you up. J.D. Chaney from KLC thanked the Mayor for our support in the Kentucky CERS, Senate Bill #2, they did get it passed and this will lower the cost of the CERS over time. Mayor Link thanked everyone who has offered help during Mr. Beckham's absence, he thinks we can get by and continue on and again thank you to all other City Administrators who have offered help. Mr. Beckham was severely injured in a car accident after the last council meeting on August 19, he is on indefinite sick leave and is currently in rehabilitation at St. Elizabeth in Fort Thomas; he is scheduled to be moved to Cardinal Hill in Lexington later this week – they are one of the best Stroke rehabilitation centers in the state. Mayor Link has requested Roger Rolfes to temporarily return as a project manager for our major projects.

Administrator's Report - none

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

Dudley Hill construction report – Mayor Link gave all council members a copy of the latest report from District 6; Roger Rolfes is working on this project with District 6 and KZF Engineering. Frank Wichmann said the issue arose when we were asked to get easements from all property owners who will be affected when as it turned out, because this is a federally funded project, we needed deeds for the right-of-way not easements. This created a problem with the subdivision regulations because this is a private property owner division and not state division. The deeds cannot be recorded until we get approval from the planning commission for that subdivision, after they are recorded they go to District 6, District 6 sends them to the state, the state reviews them for approval, if they are approved then the state officially allocates the money. Until that money is allocated, we don't have it. Mr. Wichmann anticipates the approval of the deeds to take 1 month, and another month to get the allocation for the monies from the state department.

Ordinance 2013-08-14 - Adopting the 2013/2014 Property Tax Rate – 1st reading. Mr. Wichmann read the **ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD, IN KENTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, PROVIDING FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF ALL REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE**

CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD, THAT IS SUBJECT TO TAXATION FOR CITY PURPOSES, BY THE USE OF THE ANNUAL COUNTY ASSESSMENT THEREOF BY THE PROPERTY VALUATION ADMINISTRATOR OF KENTON COUNTY; AND LEVYING AN AD VALOREM TAX THEREON FOR CITY PURPOSES DURING THE FISCAL YEAR WHICH BEGINS JULY 1, 2013, AT THE RATE OF \$0.240 DOLLARS FOR EACH ONE HUNDRED (\$100.00) DOLLARS OF THE VALUATION THEREOF SO ASSESSED; AND PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT AND COLLECTION OF SUCH TAXES, AND PENALTIES AND INTEREST THEREON; AND DESCRIBING THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH SUCH TAXES SO COLLECTED SHALL BE APPROPRIATED AND USED. Mrs. Atkinson made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2013-08-14; second by Mr. Messmer. Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.

Ordinance 2013-09-15 – Emergency Ordinance to appoint Roger Rolfes as Administrative Assistant to the Mayor until the current City Administrative Officer, Douglas Beckham, is able to resume the duties of that office or he is replaced – 1st reading. Mr. Wichmann read AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD IN KENTON COUNTY KENTUCKY, ESTABLISHING A NEW TEMPORARY POSITION OF EMPLOYMENT WITHIN THE ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT, WITH THE CLASS TITLE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE MAYOR, AND PROVIDING THE FUNCTIONS, DUTIES AND COMPENSATION THEREOF AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN REGARD THERETO NAMED THE CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER EMERGENCY. Mr. Henson made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2013-09-15; second by Mr. Schreiber. Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.

TANK cancelling Edgewood’s route – Mr. Messmer requested a resolution be submitted to TANK in opposition of cancelling the route. Mayor Link spoke with General Manager Andrew Aiello of TANK last week, the route will not be cancelled immediately, next week or next month. The long range plans for the Kenton County routes are looked at as far as producing and nonproducing routes, the 18X route is 3:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. They are not producing the revenue they would like to see, this is only one section they are forecasting. There are several others throughout the county. This is a long range and short range study they are doing. Mayor Link recommends the more ammunition we have to send to Mr. Aiello the better including a resolution is a great idea. Gayle Siber from 3117 Bernard Drive has ridden the TANK bus to Cincinnati for 19 years, she has lots of memories and a “bus family” she has always thought they have done a wonderful job including getting them downtown in inclement weather safely. She wants to know what she needs to do for her letter. Mayor Link has requested hand written letters be dropped off at the city building and he will get them to Mr. Aiello.

Hausladen house on Dudley Road – Mr. Messmer contacted the homeowner about the remains of the burn home, the problem is they do not have sewer service in that area; they are having to appeal to be able to put in a new style septic system, they are meeting from opposition from the state. They have sold the house and they are hoping it will be gone by the end of the week.

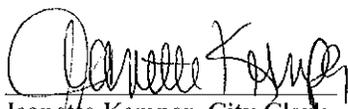
EXECUTIVE SESSION – per KRS 61.810(1) (f) Discussions or hearings which might lead to the appointment of an individual employee. This exception shall not be interpreted to permit discussion of general personnel matters in secret. Mr. Messmer made a motion to enter into executive session at 7:15 p.m. per KRS 61.810(1) (f); second by Mr. Henson. Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.

Mr. Henson Made a motion to exit executive session at 8:30 p.m.; second by Mrs. Atkinson. Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.

Mrs. Atkinson made a motion to return to plenary session; second by Mr. Messmer. Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Henson made a motion to adjourn at 8:31 p.m.; second by Mr. Ward. Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.

Attest: 
Jeanette Kamper, City Clerk
Date passed: 10/7/2013


Mayor John D. Link