

**CITY OF EDGEWOOD
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
August 6, 2018
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: Ben Barlage, Dale Henson, Joe Messmer, Jeff Schreiber, Rob Thelen and Tony Ward. Also, in attendance were City Administrator Brian Dehner, City Clerk Belinda Nitschke and City Attorney Frank Wichmann.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Addition of New Business 22. SRO to R.C. Hinsdale - Rob Thelen and 23. Dudley Road Development – Joe Messmer

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. Henson made a **motion** to enter into executive session at 6:34 p.m. per KRS 61.810(1) (f); second by Mr. Schreiber. **Motion passed 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

Mr. Barlage made a **motion** to exit executive session at 6:50 p.m.; second by Mr. Thelen. **Motion passed 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

The Mayor called for a Special Meeting for Wednesday, August 8, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. to make a decision regarding the vacant council position.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 16, 2018 Council Meeting Minutes – Mr. Barlage made a **motion** to adopt the July 16, 2018 Council meeting minutes as written; second by Mr. Henson. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

July 30, 2018 Special Meeting Minutes – Mr. Henson made a **motion** to adopt the July 30, 2018 Special meeting minutes as written; second by Mr. Messmer. Mr. Barlage abstained. **Motion passed: 5 ayes – 1 abstention.**

August 1, 2018 Special Meeting Minutes – Mr. Ward made a **motion** to adopt the August 1, 2018 Special meeting minutes as written; second by Mr. Thelen. Mr. Barlage abstained. **Motion passed: 5 ayes – 1 abstention.**

REPORT/PRESENTATIONS –

Mayors Report –

- Mayor thanked all those who participated in the Mayor's Golf Outing. The Mayor thanked the sponsors of the event as well. The event was very successful and the weather was wonderful.
- St. Elizabeth Healthcare Cancer Center is having their groundbreaking ceremony on August 9, 2018 between 1 – 2 p.m.
- Kentucky Association of Police Chiefs had their conference in Independence last week. Chief Lucas of Independence is the president of the organization. The Mayor thanked Chief Kramer for his assistance with the event.

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

Mr. Schreiber inquired about the water main project on Dudley Road and whether the NKY Water District would be coming back to repair the road properly. Mayor Link stated that they are still a month away from project completion and Mr. Dehner stated that they will replace one lane of roadway and the sidewalk when the project is complete.

Mayor stated that the campout was cancelled due to the impending weather and the low participation level. Mr. Schreiber expressed interest in moving the campout to the back of Presidents Park by the White House Event Center.

Meghan Bohman- Walter, Fire Volunteer Recruit/Retention Coordinator – Presentation – The Fire Department just completed a recruitment drive and brought in five (5) students going into EMT class and seven (7) have started Fire School. At the end of this year they will be joining our current active volunteer staff of thirty-five (35). All nine (9) FEMA funded scholarships have been filled. All of our Edgewood funded scholarships have been filled. Three (3) students attending Cincinnati State, one (1) NKU student, three (3) Thomas More students and six (6) students attending Gateway Community and Technical College. Per the FEMA semi-annual report, the city has been reimbursed \$48,295 of the \$84,338 spent. Next quarter we will be submitting for the remainder of the reimbursement. Next recruitment drive is set to start in October. Meghan will be making school visits to promote the scholarship program. A car wash fundraiser has been suggested by the crew to reach out to local residents to learn about Fire/EMS services. The Fire/EMS Open House for fire prevention week will be held in October. The departments new recruitment video was played for council.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS – **Acceptance of Nancy Atkinson’s letter of resignation** – Mr. Ward made a motion to accept Nancy Atkinson’s letter of resignation; second by Mr. Schreiber. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

St. Elizabeth Stage I Development Plan – The hospital met with PDS and the Transportation Cabinet and through those meetings established the requirements and scope of the traffic study as a part of the hospitals master plan. Projected traffic was determined from this study and was approved by PDS and the Transportation Cabinet. In addition, to projecting the amount of traffic that would be added by the hospital it also added a background growth rate in addition to the hospital traffic. The study analyzed the impacted intersections and the main entrance to the hospital. Recommendations to mitigate potential impacts on the city were provided. A recommendation to coordinate the traffic lights on Thomas More Parkway to work together and adjustments to the timing plan. Addition of pedestrian crosswalks were added to the plans per Mr. Ward’s request. CT Consultants discussed equipment they can provide for monitoring and controlling the traffic signals remotely. Mr. Ward asked if Medical Village and Dudley would require a traffic signal and it was stated that it did not warrant a signal at this time. Mr. Schreiber made a motion to accept St. Elizabeth Stage I Development Plan; second by Mr. Messmer. **Motion Passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

SRO to R.C. Hinsdale – Mr. Thelen brought up the safety of our schools as a top priority in the community and the need for an SRO at R.C. Hinsdale. Mr. Thelen is in support of this initiative but the city did not budget for it. It may be feasible for the city to pay for a portion of the salary. The school has \$25,000 - \$30,000 to match the salary of an SRO. Mr. Dehner discussed the additional costs and equipment that may be required for hiring, training and outfitting an SRO and the time it would take to hire an SRO. Chief Kramer gave a summary of the current SRO’s that are utilized, their duties within the schools, their pay and benefits. Mr. Thelen made a motion to fund half of the salary for an SRO for Kenton County Schools with a priority of R.C. Hinsdale; second by Mr. Ward with an addition to add St. Pius to the list of potential schools. **Motion Passed: 6 ayes - 0 nays.**

Dudley Road Development – Mr. Messmer discussed the meeting by PDS last Thursday regarding the development on Dudley Road proposed by Mr. Appleman and the increase of the number of units to 24. Mr. Messmer would like the city to give the developer some guidance with a committee. PDS rejected the development application. Mr. Wichmann stated that we have zoning ordinances in place for a reason and in compliance with the comprehensive plan. Mr. Messmer and Mr. Barlage will meet with Mr. Appleman and will consult with Mr. Wichmann as necessary.

ORDINANCES, MUNICIPAL ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS – **Executive Order 2018-04** – Mayor’s recommendation to appoint Belinda Nitschke as City Clerk.

Municipal Order 2018-05 Appointment of Belinda Nitschke as City Clerk. Mr. Thelen made a motion to approve appointment of Belinda Nitschke as City Clerk; second by Mr. Messmer. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

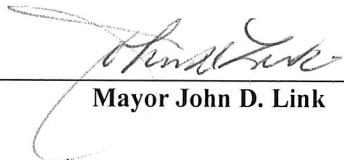
- Tuesday Evening Summer Concert Series continues: August 7th – Elvis at the Senior Center, August 14th – London Street – Presidents Park
- Shakespeare in the Park – Julius Caesar – Presidents Park at 7:pm
- Yoga Classes start August 27th for 10 weeks - \$50 per person sign up on line

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Henson made a **motion** to adjourn at 8:10 p.m.; second by Mr. Ward. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

Attest: 

Belinda Nitschke, City Clerk



Mayor John D. Link

Date passed: 8/20/18