

**CITY OF EDGEWOOD  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
August 19, 2019  
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, Tony Ward and Kim Wolking. 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** – no changes

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – August 5, 2019 Council Meeting Minutes – Mrs. Wolking made a motion to adopt the August 5, 2019 minutes as written; second by Mr. Thelen. Mr. Schreiber abstained. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 1 abstention.**

**REPORT/PRESENTATIONS** – Mayor’s Report – KLC Conference and Expo will be held in Covington beginning September 24, 2019. Representative Thomas Massie will attend the OKI Annual Luncheon on October 9, 2019, if anyone would like to attend. PDS has cancelled their September 28<sup>th</sup> meeting while they move to their new office in Covington. Mayor’s Group met this past Saturday in Elsmere and Jim Hamburg gave a presentation regarding the KLC Investment program. KCSD would like to thank the city for helping with providing SRO’s for the schools and keeping the students safe.

**CITIZENS DESIRING RECOGNITION ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA** –

Keith Armstrong, 3411 Meadowlark Drive – July 15<sup>th</sup> flooding that occurred. His property has flooded approximately ten times in the past year. Mr. Armstrong needs assistance with the storm drain that twelve homes drain into. Mayor Link stated that Mr. Wichmann went to the SD1 meeting and they were going to look into the issues and SD1 will issue a report.

Linda Martinelli, 3413 Meadowlark Drive - Ms. Martinelli had sewage in her basement from the flooding. Ms. Martinelli stated that there needs to be more drains. SD1 has come out and used cameras to check the pipes and have repaired a crushed pipe under her driveway. Mr. Dehner stated that residents pay a sewer and storm water fees to SD1 and they are collecting fees from the residents not the City of Edgewood. Kenton County Fiscal Court has oversight over SD1. Mr. Dehner explained programs that SD1 offers. Mr. Dehner explained that SD1 has sent the city a letter denying any responsibility regarding damage to Dudley Road from storm water. Mr. Dehner recommended attending SD1’s Board meetings. Mr. Dehner stated that SD1 owns the sewer lines and they collect a fee for this service. Mr. Thelen requested a letter from Mr. Wichmann to support the residents. Mr. Dehner stated that Mr. Wichmann can draft a resolution for council to vote on and send to SD1 supporting our residents.

Tom O’Connor, 3052 Elmwood Drive – Mr. O’Connor would like an update from council since the last meeting. Mr. Wichmann attended the SD1 storm water meeting. Mr. O’Connor stated that SD1 stated they would look into the issue. SD1 sent an engineer to Elmwood at 4:30 pm today to meet with the residents. Mr. O’Connor recommended a Do Not Disturb billing system to SD1. Mr. Schreiber asked if flooding was caused by sanitary sewer or storm water. Mayor Link stated that it was not the city’s responsibility. Mr. O’Connor stated that the pipes are undersized.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – None

**NEW BUSINESS** – Mr. Barlage made a motion to cancel the September 2, 2019 council meeting; second by Mr. Messmer. **Motion passed: 7 ayes – 0 nays.**

Mr. Dehner stated that all the easement paperwork has been completed for the Dudley Road project and turned into District Six for review. Once we receive approval from Frankfort and District Six we can move forward to bid the project to hopefully start in Spring 2020.

**ORDINANCES, MUNICIPAL ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS** – Ordinance 2019-08-09 – 19/20 Property Tax Rate – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Mr. Wichmann read **AN 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, 2019, AT THE RATE OF \$0.251 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.** Mr. Henson made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-08-09; second by Mrs. Wolking. **Motion passed: 7 ayes – 0 nays.**

**Ordinance 2019-08-10** – Cincinnati Bell Franchise Agreement – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Mr. Wichmann read **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD IN KENTON COUNTY KENTUCKY ACCEPTING THE BID OF AND GRANTING TO CINCINNATI BELL TELEPHONE, LLC (CINCINNATI BELL) A NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE FOR THE USE OF THE PUBLIC STREETS, ALLEYS AND OTHER PUBLIC GROUNDS OF THE CITY FOR THE PROVISION OF TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES AS DESCRIBED THEREIN.** Mr. Ward made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-08-10; second by Mr. Messmer. Mr. Schreiber voted nay. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 1 nay.**

**Ordinance 2019-08-11** – MCImetro Franchise Agreement – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Mr. Wichmann read **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD IN KENTON COUNTY KENTUCKY ACCEPTING THE BID OF AND GRANTING TO MCImetro ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES CORP. dba VERIZON ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES (MCImetro) A NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE FOR THE USE OF THE PUBLIC STREETS, ALLEYS AND OTHER PUBLIC GROUNDS OF THE CITY FOR THE PROVISION OF TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES AS DESCRIBED THEREIN.** Mr. Henson made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-08-11; second by Barlage. Mr. Schreiber voted nay. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 1 nay.**

**Ordinance 2019-08-12** – Duke Energy Franchise Agreement – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Mr. Wichmann read **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD IN KENTON COUNTY KENTUCKY ACCEPTING THE BID OF AND GRANTING TO DUKE ENERGY KENTUCKY, INC. A NON-EXCLUSIVE TWENTY-YEAR FRANCHISE FOR THE USE OF THE PUBLIC STREETS, ALLEYS AND OTHER PUBLIC GROUNDS OF THE CITY FOR THE TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOTH NATURAL GAS AND ELECTRICITY THROUGH AND FOR CONSUMPTION WITHIN THE CITY THROUGH JUNE 30, 2039.** Mr. Henson made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-08-12; second by Mr. Barlage. Mr. Schreiber and Mr. Ward voted nay. **Motion passed: 5 ayes – 2 nays.**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Tuesday Night Concert Series Ends tomorrow night – August 20<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm in Presidents Park with Amish Mafia.
- Fall Yoga Classes start on August 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm – preregister on-line.
- September 10<sup>th</sup> – Zoo on the Move at the Senior Center from 6:30 – 7:15 pm – space is limited.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Messmer made a motion to adjourn at 7:48 p.m.; second by Mr. Ward. **Motion passed: 7 ayes – 0 nays.**

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Belinda Nitschke, City Clerk

  
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Mayor John D. Link

Date passed: \_\_\_\_\_

9/16/19