

**CITY OF EDGEWOOD
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
January 20, 2020
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, 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. Council member Dale Henson was absent.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Mr. Schreiber added item #20 – Committee Meetings

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 6, 2020 Council Meeting Minutes – Mrs. Wolking made a motion to adopt the January 6, 2020 minutes as written; second by Mr. Ward. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

REPORT/PRESENTATIONS – Mayor’s Report – Mayor thanked Hannah Centers and the recreation committee for all the wonderful and successful events this weekend. PDS’s next meeting will be held on January 23, 2020. Egg & Issues with the NKY Chamber at Receptions with Senator Chris McDaniel will be held on January 21, 2020 at 7am. Mayors Group meeting was held last Saturday in Ft. Mitchell with TANK and NKWD in attendance. TANK discussed bus routes and NKWD regarding lead in the pipes for houses built 1955 and older.

Staff Reports – City Administrator, City Clerk, Fire, General Services, Police & Recreation – Treasurer’s Report – Mr. Schreiber asked about the Franchise fee line item added in December. Mr. Dehner responded that the fees collected were only from Duke Energy for November and December. Mrs. Wolking asked about the amount in the payroll tax fund. Fire – Chief Dickman stated that they have hired three new firefighters in January - Grant Howell, Jake Moore and Luke Jeffries. All new hires came from the city’s intern program.

CITIZENS DESIRING RECOGNITION ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA – Lilly Bonnick (9th), Carly Nurmberg (9th), Matthew White (9th), Ben Wells (9th), Eleanor Vess (9th), Brooklyn Smith (9th) from Dixie Heights High School – attending for their AP Government Class.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Mr. Schreiber asked for the difference in our cash balance and received the information from Mr. Dehner. Mr. Schreiber also asked if the interest from the annuities was included in the cash general fund. Mr. Dehner responded that the interest is included in the total value in the audit. Mr. Schreiber made a motion to adopt the audit FY 18/19 as presented; second by Mr. Messmer. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

NEW BUSINESS – Committee Meetings – Mr. Schreiber stated that in the past there were committees and now that we have new survey results, he would like to discuss them in committee meetings. Mr. Schreiber stated that he had a lot of ideas that he would like to discuss and to plan for the future. Mr. Ward asked how this would work with the open meetings and sunshine laws. Mr. Ward stated that he did not wish to drill down to what departments can purchase. Mr. Ward trusts the department heads to make those decisions. Mr. Wichmann stated that any meeting with the council members would have to be a special meeting with proper publication. Mayor Link suggested an annual retreat for the council. Mr. Thelen suggested an annual pre-budget retreat for city council. Mrs. Wolking thought it would be beneficial for the council to meet together in a committee format. Mr. Messmer stated that we should start by having a retreat to discuss future planning. Mr. Dehner asked for possible dates in March for a retreat. Mr. Ward suggested using the app Doodle.com to help schedule the retreat.

Mr. Schreiber suggested discussing the NKU survey results at the next meeting in February. Mr. Wichmann explained the difference between a regular meeting, special meeting or committee meeting.


ORDINANCES, MUNICIPAL ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS – none

ANNOUNCEMENTS

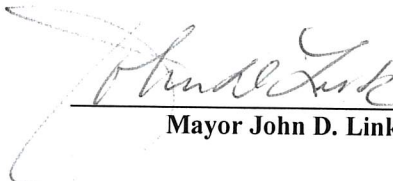
- Spring Field requests are due to Hannah by February 3rd.
- Canvas Painting will be held on February 11th from 6:30 – 8:30 pm, must pre-register.
- Come jump with us at DEFY in Florence on February 17th from 1-3 pm. Must pre-register, this event is limited, sign up early.
- Ladies 12 and over can sign up now for free RAD (Rape, Aggression, Defense) Classes. Must attend all 4 classes – sign up at the city building. February 18th, 20th, 25th and 27th.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Barlage made a **motion** to adjourn at 7:35 p.m.; second by Mr. Messmer. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

Attest: 

Belinda Nitschke, City Clerk



Mayor John D. Link

Date passed: 2/3/20