

**CITY OF EDGEWOOD
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
March 18, 2024
6:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Link called the meeting of the Edgewood City Council to order at 6:30pm. The following council members were present: Ben Barlage, Darla Kettenacker, Joe Messmer, Jeff Schreiber, Scott Spille, Rob Thelen 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

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Approved

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 4, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes – Dr. Spille made a **motion** to adopt the March 4, 2024 minutes as written; second by Mr. Barlage. Mrs. Kettenacker abstained. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 1 abstention.**

REPORT/PRESENTATIONS – Chief Brian Zurborg stated that Officer Nathan Gutzeit has been promoted to Sergeant and gave council a brief background and his accomplishments.

Mayors Report – Mayor Link announced that the City of Edgewood was ranked the 2nd safest city in Kentucky by Crypto Coin website out of 7 cities. The Cannabis bill will be coming into effect in January 2025 and the city will need to decide if we opt in or out. The Executive Director of the Medical Marijuana group will be making a presentation at the Mayor's Group at Liberty Hall on Saturday, April 20th. Mayor Link stated that there are 999 policies with Service Line Warranties of America for sewer or water line protection. Residents have saved with this coverage approximately \$710,717 dollars. Mayor Link stated that everyone received the Fire and EMS annual report and it will be discussed at the April meeting.

Staff Reports – CAO, City Clerk, Fire, General Services, Police & Recreation – Mrs. Kettenacker inquired about an increase in the budget for general government. Mr. Dehner stated that contracted services are under general government and that there is an increase in costs of more than 3% in the private sector, i.e., garbage collection has gone up as well as internet services and general government has only gone up 3.2% just a little over the 3%.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Golf Cart Ordinance – Council discussed the draft golf cart ordinance. Mr. Schreiber stated that Ft. Thomas has hours of operation from dawn to dusk and asked it be added. Mrs. Kettenacker inquired about having crossings at designated areas. Dr. Spille expressed his opposition to age limits and he did not see where parks are included or excluded. Mr. Dehner asked council to look it over and for council to give their input at a later meeting. Dr. Spille suggested that the city might consider lowering the speed limit on Dudley Road. Mr. Goeke, 2991 Homestead Drive stated he likes the idea of a zone between Madonna and Summit Hills for crossing. Mr. Goeke stated that he does not see a safety concern for golf carts on the sidewalk.

NEW BUSINESS – None

ORDINANCES, MUNICIPAL ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS – **Resolution 2024-02** – Adoption of NKY Hazard Mitigation Plan, 2024. Mr. Schreiber made a **motion** to adopt Resolution 2024-02; second by Mrs. Kettenacker. **Motion passed: 7 ayes – 0 nays.**

Municipal Order 2024-02 – Approving Appointment of Jimmy Kreinest as Interim Police Chief. Dr. Spille made a **motion** to adopt Municipal Order 2024-02; second by Mr. Messmer. **Motion passed: 7 ayes – 0 nays.**

Municipal Order 2024-03 – Fire Department Job Descriptions. Mrs. Wolking made a **motion** to adopt Municipal Order 2024-03; second by Mrs. Kettenacker. **Motion passed: 7 ayes – 0 nays.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

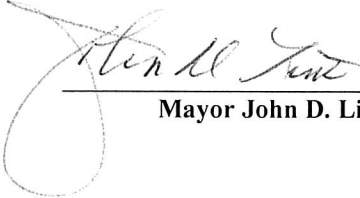
- Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, March 23rd at 2:pm in Freedom Park for ages 3-8.
- Chair Yoga at Liberty Hall starts April 1st, classes are free and for ages 50 and over.
- Health and Wellness Expo free for all ages on April 18th at Liberty Hall from 2-4: pm.

Mrs. Kettenacker asked about adding Victory Park to the agenda for the next meeting. Mr. Dehner stated that Mr. Lunnemann is meeting with the engineers in regards to Victory Park and to discuss solutions. Mrs. Kettenacker would also like to add self-watering water pots to discuss for the budget.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Spille made a **motion** to adjourn at 7:14 p.m.; second by Mr. Messmer. **Motion passed: 7 ayes – 0 nays.**

Attest: 
 Belinda Nitschke, City Clerk


 Mayor John D. Link

Date passed: 4/1/24