

**CITY OF EDGEWOOD
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
August 19, 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 Clerk, Belinda Nitschke and City Attorney Frank Wichmann. Other staff members present: Fire Chief Tom Dickman, General Services Director Rick Lunnemann and Police Chief Jimmy Kreinest.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Approved

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – August 5, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes – Mr. Messmer made a **motion** to approve the August 5, 2024 minutes as written; second by Mrs. Wolking. Dr. Spille abstained. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 1 abstention.**

REPORT/PRESENTATIONS – Mayor’s Report – Mayor Link stated the Mayor’s Group meeting was held on Saturday in Elsmere. A new Chick-fil-A will be built in Elsmere as well as a new bottling plant. Kenton County officials were in attendance, there will be limited parking at the Kenton County building in Covington with the bridge construction and the building of their new parking garage. Gabrielle Summe, Kenton County Clerk, attended the meeting and stated that there will be two (2) constitutional amendments on the ballot and she will be sending out more information on those amendments both have to do with voting and cell phone use. There will be early voting again this year. A public meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 27th at 550 Freedom Park Drive at 6:30pm to discuss Charter Oak and Tupman Drive intersection and construction. Mr. Lunnemann gave an update on the playground construction at Freedom Park. The general services crew started removing the old playground today, expanding the footprint and Miracle Playground will be installing a new playground and rubberized surface in mid-September. Mr. Lunnemann stated that the general services crew will be making improvements to Noll Shelter next week.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS – The September 2nd council meeting is cancelled due to the federal holiday.

ORDINANCES, MUNICIPAL ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS – **Ordinance 2024-08-04 – Prohibiting All Cannabis Businesses.** 2nd reading – Mr. Wichmann read the following: **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD IN KENTON COUNTY KENTUCKY PROHIBITING ALL CANNABIS BUSINESS OPERATIONS IN THE CITY.** Mr. Wichmann stated that sections 3,4 & 5 in regards to criminal penalties will be removed from the ordinance. Mrs. Kettenacker made a **motion** to adopt Ordinance 2024-08-04 with the changes; second by Mr. Barlage. Mr. Schreiber and Dr. Spille voted against. **Motion passed: 5 ayes – 2 nays.**

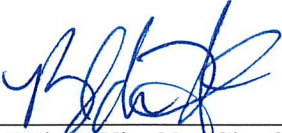
Ordinance 2024-08-05 – Fiscal Year 24/25 Property Tax Rate. 1st reading – Mr. Wichmann read the following: **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD, IN KENTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, PROVIDING FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF ALL REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD, THAT 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, 2024, AT THE RATE OF \$0.186 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.**

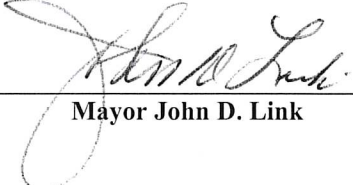
ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Tuesday Night Concert Series in Presidents Park at 7: pm - August 20th Second Chance and finishing the series on August 27th The Closers.
- Charter Oak and Tupman Intersection Public Meeting will be held on August 27th at 6:30pm at Liberty Hall.
- Register now for Awesome Animals Adaptations on September 10th from 6-7: pm.
- September 20th is Edgewood Night at Dave & Busters, must pre-register, space is limited.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Barlage made a **motion** to adjourn at 7:01 p.m.; second by Mr. Thelen. **Motion passed: 7 ayes – 0 nays.**

Attest: 
Belinda Nitschke, City Clerk


Mayor John D. Link

Date passed: 9/16/24