

**CITY OF EDGEWOOD
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
December 2, 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 Kim Quinn, Wichmann & Associates. Other staff members present: Fire Chief Tom Dickman and Sergeant Jarod Buchanan.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS DESIRING RECOGNITION ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA – Kurt Hanscom, 232 N. Colony – Mr. Hanscom thanked Mrs. Kettenacker for her service on council. Mr. Hanscom stated he watched the November 18th meeting and asked council to look at the numbers for the Lease program.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Approved

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 18, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes – Dr. Spille made a motion to approve the November 18, 2024 minutes as written; second by Mrs. Wolking. Mrs. Kettenacker abstained. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 1 abstention.**

REPORT/PRESENTATIONS – State Representative Stephanie Dietz conducted the swearing in of the new city council members – Ben Barlage, Joe Messmer, W. Jamie Ruehl, Jeff Schreiber, Bridget Grady Spears, Scott Spille, and Rob Thelen.

Mayor Link stated effective January 1st an eye exam will be required for driver's license renewals with either a certificate from your doctor or you can take a free exam at the driver's license office. Mayor Link announced that Gracie Kelly will now be helping with city legislative issues at KLC. Mayor Link stated that Kevin Kramer, council member from Louisville, KY will be the 2nd Vice President for the National League of Cities. Mayor Link welcomed two new employees to Public Works – Austin Spada and Ryan Dietz. Mayor Link thanked Erika, staff, and all attendees for a successful tree lighting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Freedom Park Playground Fence – The price for a 3-sided fence would be approximately \$10,000. Council discussed the design and perimeter of the fence. Mr. Dehner has added the Playground Fence amount to the budget amendment. Mr. Dehner stated the HVAC at Liberty Hall was also added to the budget amendment and the vehicle leasing program needed to be changed from a capital expense to an operating line item in the budget.

NEW BUSINESS – None

ORDINANCES, MUNICIPAL ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS – None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Letters to Santa can be dropped off in Santa's mailbox at the city building until tomorrow.
- Edgewood Night at Behringer-Crawford Museum is Friday, December 6th from 6-8: pm.
- Home Decorating Contest is December 6th – 8th please have your lights on all weekend.
- Property taxes are due December 31st. Penalties and Interest will be assessed on January 1st.

Mrs. Kettenacker stated that the city holiday decorations look great. Mr. Dehner stated that Belinda Nitschke and Rick Lunnemann were instrumental in getting this project done.

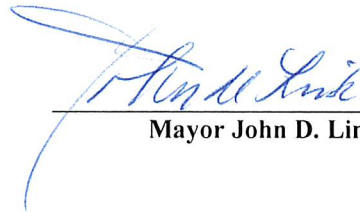
Dr. Spille thanked General Services for a job well done on the city roads for the first weather event.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Spille made a **motion** to adjourn at 6:59 p.m.; second by Mrs. Kettenacker. **Motion passed: 7 ayes – 0 nays.**

Attest: 

Belinda Nitschke, City Clerk



Mayor John D. Link

Date passed: 12/16/24