

**CITY OF EDGEWOOD
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
April 7, 2025
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, W. Jamie Ruehl, Jeff Schreiber, Bridget Grady Spears, Scott Spille and Rob Thelen. Also, in attendance were City Administrator Brian Dehner, City Clerk Belinda Nitschke, and City Attorney Kim Wichmann Quinn. Other staff members present: Fire Chief Tom Dickman and Police Chief James “Jimmy” Kreinest. Council member Joe Messmer was absent.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 17, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes – Mr. Ruehl made a **motion** to approve the March 17, 2025 minutes as written; second by Dr. Spille. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

REPORT/PRESENTATIONS – Mayor Link presented Mr. John Reeves with a proclamation in appreciation of his military service in the United States Air Force and for his honor flight on April 8, 2025 to Washington, DC.

Mayor Link stated that council had in their packet the draft budget for review. Mayor Link stated that the City of Edgewood was rated the number one city for safety in Kentucky by REOLink.com. Mayor Link thanked the staff and council for the accomplishment. The dust is still settling from the legislative session, the driver’s permit age was lowered to 15. Judge Knochelmann will be attending the June 16th meeting to present the state of the county. The next Mayor’s Group meeting will be held at Liberty Hall on Saturday, April 19th at 9am and if anyone would like to attend, they are welcome.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Victory Park Presentation and Discussion – Mr. Dehner stated that there is a place holder in the budget for \$50,000 for upgrades to Victory Park and a survey was sent to approximately 50 residents adjacent to the park for their opinion on the future of the park. Lucas Elam presented the survey findings. Mr. Elam stated the main concern for the park were drainage issues, the upgrade of park installations and basketball court. Residents responded that they did not want to remove the park for a small wooded area. Mr. Elam also found that many residents were unaware of the park. Council discussed options for the park and areas of concern such as drainage and access path. Council decided to a phased approach beginning with correcting the drainage issue.

NEW BUSINESS – None

ORDINANCES, MUNICIPAL ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS – Ordinance 2025-03-02 – Annual Codification – 2nd reading. Mrs. Quinn read the following: **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD, IN KENTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, ENACTING AND ADOPTING A SUPPLEMENT TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD, KENTUCKY.** Dr. Spille made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2025-03-02; second by Mr. Thelen. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

Ordinance 2025-04-03 – Zoning Change to PO Zone – 1st reading. Mrs. Quinn read the following: **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD, IN KENTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, AMENDING ARTICLES VII AND X OF THE OFFICIAL ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD, KENTUCKY TO PERMIT STUDIOS IN THE PO ZONE.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Annual Easter Egg Hunt for ages 3-8 is Saturday, April 12th in Freedom Park. Event starts at 2:pm, arrive early or you’ll miss it.
- Health and Wellness Expo for all ages, Thursday, April 17th from 2-4 pm at Liberty Hall.

- Kenton County Spring Clean Up – April 25th and 26th- please visit kentoncounty.org for more information.
- City Yard Sale at Freedom Park is May 3rd – spaces are \$20. Must pre-register, spaces are limited so register early.


Dr. Spille asked about the sign at entrance to Presidents Park. Mr. Dehner stated the sign will match the entrance sign at Turkeyfoot and Meadowlark, the sign at the entrance to the White House will be changed to match as well. Mr. Dehner stated that all other signage in the parks will be changed in the coming weeks. The Presidents Park sign will be illuminated. The new logo will be put in the existing sign at the entrance of Freedom Park. Once these signs are installed, we will be finished with our re-branding of the new logo.

Mrs. Spears asked who is responsible for the maintenance of subdivision entrance signs. Mr. Dehner stated that they are the responsibility of each individual subdivision HOA and developer.

ADJOURNMENT

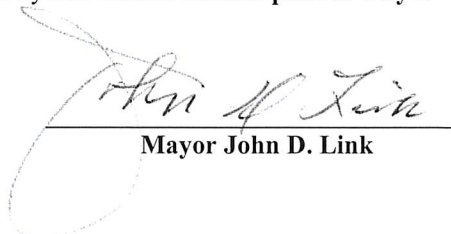
Mr. Barlage made a **motion** to adjourn at 7:10 p.m.; second by Mr. Thelen. **Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.**

Attest: _____


Belinda Nitschke, City Clerk

Date passed: _____

4/21/25


Mayor John D. Link