

REGULAR MEETING  
ERLANGER COUNCIL  
February 6, 2018

Mayor Tyson Hermes called the regular meeting of the Erlanger City Council to order in the City of Erlanger Council Chambers at 7:00 P.M., Tuesday, February 6, 2018.

Members of Council and citizens pledged allegiance to the flag.

The following Members of Council were present: Randy Blankenship, Kevin Burke, Kathy Cahill, Tom Cahill, Jessica Fette, Vicki Kyle, Steve Montgomery, Don Niceley, Corine Pitts, Don Skidmore, Renee Skidmore, and Patty Suedkamp.

Also present were: Mayor Tyson Hermes, City Administrator Matt Kremer, Chief Finance Officer Steve Bodde, Chief of Police Todd Brendel, City Clerk Sherry Hoffman, Director of CTI Matt Allen, Director of Public Works Rick Bogard, Fire/EMS Chief Todd Whitaker, Public Relations Manager Joe Christofield, City Attorney Jack Gatlin, City Council Attorney Frank Wichmann, and City Engineer Jim Viox.

MEETING MINUTES – M/S, Kyle-Suedkamp, that the minutes of the regular council meeting held on January 2, 2018 and the special council meeting held on January 16, 2018 be approved as read. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA - M/S, Kyle-Montgomery, that the agenda be approved as presented. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS – Mayor Hermes introduced Andy Blankemeyer, CEO of Beacon Orthopedic, who announced that they were celebrating their fifth anniversary in Erlanger.

Mayor Hermes introduced Officer Michael Clark and K-9 Officer Bodo. Officer Clark thanked Vested Interest of Canines for Officer Bodo's bullet proof vest and resident Linda Krivsky for her support.

Mayor Hermes presented certificates to the following DARE essay winners:

- Cecelia Bowman                      Miles Elementary
- Logan Robinson                      Lindemann Elementary
- Hayden Hungler                      Arnett Elementary
- Austin                                      Lindemann Elementary
- Mariah Jackson                      Arnett Elementary
- Claire Jackson                      Miles Elementary

Mayor Hermes read the firefighter oath of office to the following:

- Mark Guttridge                      Firefighter/EMT

The following individuals received service pins:

- Kenneth Harney                      Fire/EMS                      Five Years      (Not Present)
- Mark Jolly                              General Government              Thirty Years

CITIZENS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Ann Miller                      Division Street                      Against 433 and 437 Division Street being developed

MAYOR'S REPORT - Mayor Hermes reported on the following:

- Budget planning in progress
- Requested committee meeting on February 20, 2018 to present 2018 Goals

- Meeting to discuss Duke Energy rate increases to be held on February 8, 2018
- Mayors' Group meeting to be held on February 17, 2018
- Sun Behavioral Health's ribbon cutting ceremony to be held on February 19, 2018

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Police – Ms. Suedkamp reported on the following:

- Employee highlights, including Recruit Edward Dettmer's graduation from basic training
- Coffee with a Cop event at Tim Hortons
- Military pin program

Ms. Kyle reported on the following:

- Cell phone forensic computer purchase
- Training

Chief Brendel had nothing further to report.

Fire/EMS – Ms. Fette reported on the following:

- Death of Chief John "Jack" Scheben
- James Raugh named honorary firefighter posthumously

Ms. Pitts and Chief Whitaker had nothing further to report.

Public Works – Mr. Skidmore reported on the following:

- Seasonal services
- Street repairs

Mr. Cahill reported on the following:

- Duke Energy replacing gas services on Concord Drive

Director Bogard had nothing further to report.

Administration – Ms. Skidmore reported on the following:

- State legislative update
- Depot Museum closed until March 2018
- Upcoming events

Ms. Cahill had nothing further to report.

Ms. Hoffman read Jan Cassidy's resignation letter announcing her retirement, effective May 1, 2018.

Mayor Hermes tabled the discussion regarding rules and procedures of meetings.

Finance & Business Development– Mr. Blankenship reported on the following:

- Fiscal Year 2017 audit report available
- Requested committee meeting on February 20, 2018 to discuss the budget

Mr. Montgomery and Director Bodde had nothing further to report.

Codes/Building & Zoning - Mr. Burke reported on the following:

- M/S, Burke-Niceley, to initiate the foreclosure of 3306 Hulbert Avenue, all ayes, no nays, motion carried
- Tabled the discussion to declare city owned property adjacent to 3304 Elizabeth Street surplus
- Requested committee meeting to discuss the City owned property (old concrete plant) on Viox Drive

#### Drees Development - Narrow Road Discussion

1. Drees Presentation
2. Citizens/Public Comments

Citizens who addressed City Council regarding the proposed Drees Development on Narrows Road: Jeff Nordloh, Colleen Berger, Ronald Lubbe, Debie Koch, Mike Chisenhall, Ron Jividen, William Whitley, Lynn DeMoss, Pat Holub, Kimberly Needham, Heather Isler, Eileen Taylor, Josh Blair, Dave Costello.

Citizens who signed up to address City Council, but declined: Greg Menne and Georgette Nordloh.

M/S, Burke-Niceley, to override Kenton County Planning Commission's recommendation to ~~not allow the zone change~~ deny the Drees application to change the zone from R-1C to R-1C (RCD). Mr. Wichmann read the basis of the override with restrictions.

M/S, Blankenship-Suedkamp, to table the motion until the February 20, 2018 Committee Meeting and requested a Special Meeting the same night. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Mr. Niceley and Director Hahn had nothing further to report.

M/S, Burke-Blankenship, that the reports of the committees be adopted as presented. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

#### REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

##### Historical Society (Kyle)

- Next meeting will be held on February 14, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.
- Recipient of the Kentucky Local Trust History Trust Fund grant in the amount of \$856.00

#### REPORTS OF CITY OPERATIONS

City Engineer - Mr. Viox had nothing further to report.

City Attorney - Mr. Gatlin had nothing further to report.

City Council Attorney - Mr. Wichmann had nothing further to report.

City Administrator – Administrator Kremer reported on the following:

- Municipal Order No. authorizing the Mayor to enter into a memorandum of understanding between Kenton County and the City of Erlanger regarding the merger of dispatch services.  
M/S, Blankenship-Niceley, to adopt the municipal order as read. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

M/S, Pitts-Kyle, that the reports of the city operations be adopted as presented. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

#### CORRESPONDENCE – Ms. Hoffman read the following:

- Thank you letters from the Erlanger-Elsmere School District Family Resource Centers to General Government employees and an anonymous Erlanger resident for their personal donations during the holiday season
- Thank you letter from Bill Howard and the Erlanger United Methodist Church thanking the City for being a collection site for their annual Community Kindness Drive

BIDS – M/S, Fette-Pitts, to table the bid results for surplus property of 433 and 437 Division Street until the March 6, 2018 Council Meeting. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS – None.

NEW BUSINESS - The following was discussed:

- Annual Yellin' Helen Bowl-a-thon to be held on March 17, 2018 at Super Bowl.

LEGISLATION - Mr. Gatlin read Municipal Order No. making the written determinations required by KRS 82.083 for the sale or other disposition of property owned by the City.

M/S, Blankenship-Kyle, to adopt the municipal order as read. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT - M/S, Niceley-Blankenship, to adjourn from the regular meeting at 9:48 p.m. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

APPROVED:

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Tyson Hermes  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Sherry Hoffman  
City Clerk