

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF FORT THOMAS, CAMPBELL
COUNTY, KENTUCKY, ON MONDAY
FEBRUARY 2, 2004

Mayor Mary H. Brown called the Regular Meeting to order at 8:00 P.M. and asked for the Clerk to call the Roll. The following Council members were present: Barbara Runge, Jim Doepker, Karen Lied, Roger Peterman, Tom Lampe. The following staff members were present: City Clerk Dottie Ivie, City Administrative Officer Jeff Earlywine, Assistant to the CAO Jay Trefl, City Treasurer Fred Ewald, City Attorney Jann Seidenfaden, Police Chief Steve Schmidt and Fire Chief Dale Edmondson. Mayor Brown led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Minutes of the previous Regular Meeting were approved upon motion (Peterman), second (Lampe), and unanimous Aye voice vote.

Mr. Earlywine reviewed the CBD Phase II project--plaza portion, which was excluded from the approval process at the last council meeting in order to provide time for the Highland Methodist Church to more thoroughly study and vote on whether or not to support this portion of the project. He said that City staff members met with church officials and members of the congregation and they voted (at a ratio of 3-1) to support the plaza design, which includes the closure of the Avenue of Champions. They also offered some suggestions, including: that there be no bumpouts but that all current parking spaces be used so as to result in no change in the actual number of spaces for cars; and that the same on-street handicapped spaces be retained. There are four of these in the area of the church at this time and Mr. Earlywine said that the geometrics and final design features will be worked out to everyone's satisfaction. An updated plan will be provided for Council as it is completed.

He then reviewed for Council documents containing amendments to the Revocable License Agreement that was just approved and signed at the last Council meeting between the City and the Northern Ky. Water District. He said that in the two agreements, there were several minor clarifications and additions to language that needed to be included and these amendment documents would accomplish that. Also the NKWD asked for a four year agreement (continuing to 2/15/07) and that any notice to end the agreement by either party would require 12 months rather than 6 months. Mr. Earlywine said that he believes that the Water Company intends to allow public access for walking around the reservoirs by this summer if things continue to proceed in a positive manner and there are no further terrorist threats. Mr. Lampe commented that the fence in place there now does look nice. It was moved (Runge) and seconded (Lied) to approve the changes and to approve the signing of the completed agreements. Upon voice vote, there were unanimous Aye votes recorded; motion carried.

The Finance Committee presented a Report on Vouchers and recommended that the bills be processed for payment. It was moved (Doepker) and seconded (Lied) to concur in the recommendation of the Committee, and upon Roll Call vote, all voted Aye; motion carried.

Ordinance O-2-2004, Setting the 2003 Street Improvement Assessments, was adopted upon motion (Peterman), second (Lampe) and unanimous Aye Roll Call vote. This Ordinance will become law upon its publication (in the Recorder newspaper) as required by law.

The following Municipal Orders were presented individually, with terms of office designated or each reappointment:

MO-5-2004, Reappointing Chris Manning, Design Review Board, (Runge, Lampe) all ayes,

MO-5-2004, Reappointing Jim Stegman, Design Review Board, (Peterman, Doepker) all ayes,

MO-7-2004, Reappointing Scott Hull, Design Review Board (Lampe, Peterman) all ayes,

MO-8-2004, Reappointing Brian Barton, Design Review Board (Lampe, Doepker) all ayes,

MO-9-2004, Reappointing Tim Schneider, Planning Commission, (Lampe, Peterman) all ayes,

MO-10-2004, Reappointing James Beinckeke, Board of Adjustment (Lampe, Peterman) all ayes,

MO-11-2004, Reappointing James Seibert, Board of Adjustment (Lampe, Doepker) all ayes. Letters will be prepared and sent to each of these volunteer citizens, expressing appreciation for their continued service to the community.

The Public Safety Committee will meet on Wednesday, February 4, 2004, for interviews of candidates for Fire Department Lieutenant. The next Regular Meeting will be on Tuesday, February 17, 2004, due to the holiday Monday (Presidents Day). There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED:

Mary H. Brown, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dorothy A. Ivie, City Clerk

Ordinance O-2-2004, Presenting the 2003 Street Improvement Assessments, was adopted upon Roll Call vote, upon motion (Peterman) and second (Lampe) and unanimous Aye vote.

Several Municipal Orders were presenting, each reappointing members of City Boards of Committees, and each was individually approved, upon motion, second and unanimous Aye voice votes taken by the Clerk.

MO-5-2004, Chris Manning to Design Review Board, motion (Runge), second (Lampe)

MO-6-2004, Jim Stegman to Design Review Board, motion (Peterman), second (Doepke)

MO-7-2004, Scott Hull to Design Review Board, motion (Lampe), second (Peterman)

MO-8-2004, Brian Barton to Design Review Board, motion

MO-9-2004, Tim Schneider to Planning Commission

MO-10-2004 Jim Beineke to Board of Adjustment

MO-11-2004, James Seibert to Board of Adjustment