

CAUCUS MEETING MINUTES OF THE ELSMERE CITY COUNCIL

January 3, 2023

6:30 PM

LOCATION: Elsmere Community Center.

CALL TO ORDER: Councilwoman Maria Vogt called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: The following members were present: Mayor Marty Lenhof, Councilwoman Maria Vogt, Councilwoman Gloria Grubbs, Councilman Malcolm Daniels, Councilwoman Serena Owen, Councilwoman Missy Tester, and Councilwoman Joanne Barnett Smith.

AUDIENCE REMARKS:

Mr. Erik Bunzow, 518 Ripple Creek Drive, addressed the council about the proposed chicken ordinance. He also addressed the council concerning the ongoing problem of speeding in residential areas.

Mr. Willie Ewell, 1109 Plateau Street, addressed the council concerning trees that are on a portion of property that was previously owned by his parents. He had previously addressed the council was there to see if there had been any progress on this situation. Attorney Greg Voss is still reviewing the case and will reach out to Mr. Ewell.

Mr. Brian Wharton, 6 Cobbler Court, addressed the council concerning the stop sign at Autumn Road. Mr. Wharton stated that vehicles are continuously running the sign.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Council Appointments – Council discussed committee appointments for the upcoming year. Committees include, Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments (OKI), Planning and Development Services representative and alternate, the Municipal Government League of Northern Kentucky (MGLNK) representative, Scholarship Committee, and the Telecommunications Board of Northern Kentucky (TNBK). Executive Orders will be written and presented at the next council meeting.

Code Enforcement Fee Waiver – A resident approached the city to waive fees for a fine that he received. After discussion, it was decided that the request would be denied.

Chickens within the city limits discussion – City Administrator Dowling stated that he had emailed each council member the legislation and requirements from the City of Frankfort for review. This will be reviewed again at the next caucus meeting.

Brick Paver Program – The city previously allowed residents to purchase bricks to honor loved ones. These bricks were displayed in front of the current city building, located at 318 Garvey Avenue. These bricks have now been moved to the new building at 3921 Dixie Highway. There is room to add more bricks. After discussions the council agreed to create a new program to benefit the Elsmere Community Center. Bricks will be sold for \$50.00 each and will be placed with the previously purchased bricks.

Student Government Meeting – The meeting will be held on February 14, 2023.

Closed Executive Session:

Councilwoman Gloria Grubbs made a motion to enter closed/executive session pursuant to KRS 61.810 (1)(a)(c) proposed land acquisition and proposed or pending litigation. Councilwoman Joanne Barnett Smith seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Council entered closed/executive session at 8:00 p.m.

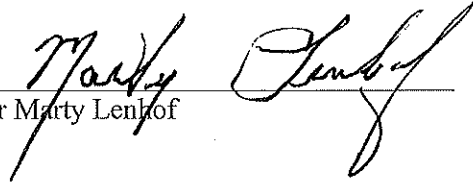
Councilwoman Gloria Grubbs made a motion to reconvene regular session and stated that no action was taken. Councilwoman Joanne Barnett Smith seconded the motion. Regular session resumed at 8:15 p.m.

No Further Action was taken

ADJOURNMENT

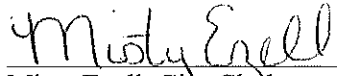
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Councilwoman Vogt adjourned the meeting at 8:17 pm.



Mayor Marty Lenhof

Attest:



Misty Ezell, City Clerk