

LUDLOW COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

March 14, 2013

Mayor Kenneth Wynn called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Laurie Sparks called the roll, which showed the following council members present: Tom Amann, Joyce McMullin, Randy Wofford, Bill Mullins, Amy Clary, and Josh Boone.

ALSO ATTENDING: Attorney Jeff Otis, City Administrator Brian Richmond, City Clerk Laurie Sparks, Public Works Foreman John Knuf, Fire Chief Rob Dreyer (left at 7:10 p.m.), and Police Chief Benny Johnson

Motion by Mr. Mullins, second by Mr. Wofford, to approve the minutes from the council meeting on February 14, 2013. Motion carried: all ayes.

Presentation of Proclamation for Terry Bandy

Mayor Wynn presented a proclamation to Terry Bandy who recently retired from the Ludlow Fire Department after 40 years of service. Chief Dreyer presented Mr. Bandy with a fire hose nozzle trophy in appreciation for his years of volunteer service. Mr. Bandy thanked everyone and stated that it was an honor and a privilege to serve the community.

STAFF REPORTS

Fire Department

Chief Dreyer distributed his report to Council.

Public Works

Mr. Knuf advised that the City will receive 50 oak trees from Living Lands and Waters Conservancy to plant along the Ohio River and throughout the city. Ms. McMullin requested that Mr. Knuf inventory the trees in the parks. Mr. Knuf confirmed that an additional street light would not be installed in front of the Barker site because there is no conduit on that side of the street. Discussion on sidewalk and curb replacement. Curbs are replaced by the City, but sidewalk replacement is the responsibility of the property owner. Mr. Otis recommended that anyone who identifies a problem area with a sidewalk should forward it to Northern Kentucky Area Planning Commission so they may address the issue.

Police Department

Chief Johnson submitted his report to Council. Discussion on plans for the street closures during the school's upcoming May Festival. **Motion by Mr. Boone, second by Mr. Amann, to approve the Ludlow PTO's request to close off the 500 block of Oak Street and the 100 block of Adela Avenue from 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 2, 2013 through the end of the Festival on May 3, 2013. Following a voice vote, motion carried: all ayes.** Chief Johnson advised he would notify the Ludlow PTO that the request has been approved.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Pizza Hut Express will occupy the space next to the Family Dollar within the next 60 days. Discussion on planning for the City's 150th Anniversary celebration.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee – (Ms. Clary, Ms. McMullin)

The Committee is in the process of reconciling the City's accounts.

Public Works Committee – (Mr. Amann, Mr. Boone)

The Committee hopes to have the bids for the new Public Works building by April 1, 2013.

Safety Committee – (Mr. Mullins, Mr. Wofford)

The Committee recently met with Chief Johnson to discuss budget planning.

CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Mr. Richmond advised that gas tanks to fill the City vehicles will be installed on the fenced in lot on Ash Street within the next month. Discussion on a recent meeting with Strategic Advisers regarding a business owner who has expressed an interest in possibly opening a bike /coffee shop in the City. The Fire Department has been upgraded to an ISO rating of 3. Discussion on the need to replace one vehicle in the Police Department and possibly an additional vehicle in the fall.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS MAYOR AND COUNCIL

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Second Reading of Ordinance 2013-1

Motion by Mr. Boone, second by Ms. Clary, to call up Ordinance 2013-1 *An Ordinance Enacting and Adopting a Supplement to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Ludlow, Kentucky* for a second reading. Following the reading of Ordinance 2013-1 by Mr. Otis and a roll call vote, motion carried: all ayes.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2013-6

Motion by Mr. Amann, second by Mr. Mullins, to introduce Resolution 2013-6 *A Resolution Authorizing the Closing and Distribution of Funds of the City of Ludlow Pension Plan for Non-Uniformed Employees*. Following the reading of Resolution 2013-6 by Mr. Otis and a voice vote, motion carried: all ayes.

Resolution 2013-7

Motion by Mr. Amann, second by Mr. Mullins, to introduce Resolution 2013-7 *A Resolution of the City of Ludlow, Kentucky Authorizing the Mayor to Enter Into Negotiations for the Purchase of Certain Riverfront Property Known as the Kinzeler Property*. Following the reading of Resolution 2013-7 by Mr. Otis and a voice vote, motion carried: all ayes.

Resolution 2013-8

Motion by Mr. Amann, second by Ms. McMullin, to introduce Resolution 2013-8 An Ordinance Approving the Audit for Fiscal Year 2011-2012 as Presented by Van Gorder, Walker & Co., Inc. Following the reading of Resolution 2013-8 by Mr. Otis (by title only) and a voice vote, motion carried: all ayes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Amann announced that the annual Sketch St. Patrick's Day Party will be held at the Knights of Columbus on March 17, 2013 from 3:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. Mr. Amann encouraged citizens to attend the next Neighborhood Watch meeting on March 20, 2013.

Mayor Wynn advised that the Civic Club will be sponsoring Breakfast with the Easter Bunny at the First Baptist Church of Ludlow on Saturday, March 23, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. St. Boniface & James Church will be hosting the St. Patrick's Day Night at the Races on Saturday, March 16, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

**Motion by Mr. Amann, second by Ms. McMullin, to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m.
Motion carried: all ayes.**

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Sparks, City Clerk

Attest: _____
Kenneth Wynn, Mayor