

LUDLOW COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

August 11, 2016

Mayor Kenneth Wynn called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Laurie Sparks called the roll, which showed the following council members present: Josh Boone, Bill Mullins, Dan Ashcraft, Bill Whiteley, and Tom Amann. (Michele Cartwright was absent.)

ALSO ATTENDING: City Attorney Jeff Otis, City Administrator Elishia Chamberlain, City Clerk Laurie Sparks, Fire Chief Rob Dreyer, Code Enforcement Officer Tom Garner, and Police Chief Scott Smith

Motion by Mr. Mullins, second by Mr. Whiteley, to approve the minutes from the meeting on July 14, 2016. Following a voice vote, motion carried: all ayes.

STAFF REPORTS

Fire Department

Chief Dreyer discussed his monthly report.

Code Enforcement

Mr. Garner discussed his monthly report, including current Code Enforcement Board cases and status of delinquent rental licenses. Discussion on possible amendments to the rental license ordinance.

Police Department

Chief Smith discussed his monthly report. Discussion on a training class that Ludlow Police will be hosting on August 29, 2016, at the Airport Training facility to discuss issues that police and city leaders face today.

Public Works

Mayor Wynn advised that Patrick Walkenhorst is recovering well from surgery and the public works report was included in the packets. Mr. Amann thanked Mr. Walkenhorst for getting the streetlights repaired in the downtown area. Discussion on plans for a walking path, which includes a pre-fab bridge that will provide access to Carlisle Field. Discussion on the status of painting curbs yellow near intersections throughout the city. Mr. Amann advised that the "walk/don't walk" signs are still not working on part of the intersection at Elm and Carneal Streets.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Wynn attended the recent Southbank Partners meeting. The money allocated for the Riverfront Commons project that was cut from the budget by Governor Bevin's office has been provided by a private donor. The City will receive \$20,000.00 to put toward a new footbridge near Carlisle Field.

CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Ms. Chamberlain advised that Ms. Sparks is working on the website updates, which may be finished by mid-October. Discussion on the status of the parking lot and landscaping in the area adjacent to the Municipal Center. Hopefully, plans will be available to display at Beyond the Curb in October.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee (Mr. Amann, Mr. Ashcraft) – The Committee met earlier that day to review the bank statements.

Public Works Committee (Mr. Boone, Mr. Whiteley) – Mr. Whiteley advised that they have been looking into the possibility of providing free Wi-Fi in the downtown area, courtesy of Cincinnati Bell. Mayor Wynn advised that Jack Moreland of Southbank is setting up a meeting to discuss the Wi-Fi option.

Safety Committee (Ms. Cartwright, Mr. Mullins) – The Committee had nothing to report.

Local Business (Mr. Boone, Mr. Mullins) – No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

First Reading of Ordinance 2016-4

Motion by Mr. Mullins, second by Mr. Ashcraft, to introduce Ordinance 2016-4 *An Ordinance Fixing the Tax Rate for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2016, and Ending June 30, 2017 Upon Real Estate, Personal, and Mixed Property in the City of Ludlow, Kentucky, and Fixing the Time and Payment and Penalty for Non-Payment of Same for a first reading.* Mr. Otis completed the first reading of Ordinance 2016-4, which sets the tax rate at \$.385 per \$100.00 valuation for real property and \$.749 per \$100.00 valuation for personal and mixed property.

First Reading of Ordinance 2016-5

Motion by Mr. Boone, second by Mr. Mullins, to introduce Ordinance 2016-5 *An Ordinance Fixing the Tax Rate for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2016, and Ending June 30, 2017 Upon Real Estate, Personal, and Mixed Property in the City of Ludlow, Kentucky, for the Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services Special Ad Valorem Tax, and Fixing the Time for Payment and Penalty for Non-Payment of Same for a first reading.* Mr. Otis completed the first reading of Ordinance 2016-5, which sets the special ad valorem tax for Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services at \$.175 per \$100 valuation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Mullins had registration forms available for anyone interested in participating in the Curveball Classic on September 24, 2016, at Ludlow Park.

Motion by Mr. Amann, second by Mr. Ashcraft, to enter into executive session, pursuant to KRS 61.810 (1)(b), to discuss property. Motion carried, all ayes.

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Upon coming out of executive session, motion by Mr. Ashcraft, second by Mr. Amann, to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Sparks, City Clerk

Attest: _____
Kenneth Wynn, Mayor