

LUDLOW COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

January 14, 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: Bill Mullins, Dan Ashcraft (arrived a few minutes late), Michele Cartwright, Bill Whiteley, and Tom Amann. (Josh Boone was absent.)

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

Motion by Ms. Cartwright, second by Mr. Ashcraft, to approve the minutes from the council meeting on December 8, 2015. Motion carried: all ayes.

STAFF REPORTS

Fire Department

Chief Dreyer advised that he recently met with the Safety Committee and is looking forward to a successful year.

Public Works

Mr. Walkenhorst advised that the traffic light plans for the corner of Elm and Carneal Streets have been approved by the State and could take 12-15 weeks for fabrication.

Code Enforcement Report

Mr. Garner advised that Planning and Development Services of Northern Kentucky (PDS) has more active cases with Ludlow than with any other city. There are 18 open cases through PDS and 35 open cases through the City's Code Enforcement.

Police Department

Chief Smith discussed his monthly report and the recent officer-involved shooting. Mr. Amann thanked the officers and surrounding agencies for their professionalism at the scene of the shooting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee (Mr. Amann, Mr. Ashcraft) – The Committee will meet at the Municipal Center on Wednesday, January 20, 2016, at 8:30 a.m.

Public Works Committee (Mr. Boone, Mr. Whiteley) – The Committee met with Mr. Walkenhorst to discuss projects planned for the coming year.

Safety Committee (Ms. Cartwright, Mr. Mullins) – The Committee met recently with Chief Smith and Chief Dreyer to discuss the operations of the Police and Fire Departments. Ms. Cartwright commended both departments for their teamwork.

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

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Chamberlain met with LFI, an environmental agency, to discuss the incinerator property and the installation of a parking lot alongside the Municipal Center. Discussion on a meeting with Nancy Costello from Skyward. Ludlow is one of four communities chosen to test the program, which promotes physical and mental well-being. Chief Smith will serve on the coalition. Ms. Chamberlain advised that the City has collected the full amount of tax revenue anticipated for the year. Discussion on the letter sent to Bromley with a proposal for the City to provide ALS (Advanced Life Support) to its residents. Chief Dreyer advised that the proposal is the same as it was presented to them three years ago, except for an increase in cost. Ms. Chamberlain advised the cost was the same as the City charges its residents.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Phil Taliaferro, representing Ludlow Youth Football (LYF), thanked Mr. Otis for the work he's done and distributed a letter to Council and Mayor advising that LYF is a non-profit organization and; therefore, is not subject to the Kentucky Open Records Act. On behalf of LYF, Mr. Taliaferro thanked the City for agreeing to dismiss the complaint filed against LYF on Friday, January 15, 2016.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Vote to Approve Temporary Street Closures for May Festival

Motion by Mr. Amann, second by Mr. Ashcraft, to approve 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 May 5, 2016, through May 7, 2016, for the May Festival. Following a voice vote, motion carried: all ayes.

Resolution 2016-1

Motion by Mr. Amann, second by Ms. Cartwright, to approve Resolution 2016-1 *A Resolution Reappointing Members to Serve on City of Ludlow Boards (with the exception of Dave Hines who cannot continue to serve due to employment reasons)*. Following a voice vote, motion carried: all ayes.

Resolution 2016-2

Motion by Ms. Cartwright, second by Mr. Mullins, to approve Resolution 2016-2 *A Resolution of the City of Ludlow, Kentucky Declaring Property as Surplus and Authorizing the Sale or Disposition of Such Surplus Property*. Following a reading by Mr. Otis and roll call vote, motion carried: all ayes.

First Reading of Ordinance 2016-1

Motion by Mr. Mullins, second by Ms. Cartwright, to introduce Ordinance 2016-1 *An Ordinance Repealing Sections 40.55 Through 40.65 of Ludlow City Ordinance Number 1994-13, Specifically, All Ordinance Sections Creating the City of Ludlow Ethics Board, to Include*

Sections 40.55, 40.56, 40.57, 40.58, 40.59, 40.60, 40.61, 40.62, 40.63, 40.64, and 40.65 for a first reading. Mr. Otis completed the first reading of Ordinance 2016-1.

First Reading of Ordinance 2016-2

Motion by Ms. Cartwright, second by Mr. Ashcraft, to introduce Ordinance 2016-2 An Ordinance Creating the City of Ludlow, Kentucky Appeals Board for City Sticker Citations for a first reading. Mr. Amann inquired why the Board members only have one-year term limits. Ms. Chamberlain advised that the one-year term limit was set because it hasn't been decided whether to continue collecting city stickers next year. Mr. Otis completed the first reading of Ordinance 2016-1, in summary.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Amann wished Ludlow citizens a Happy New Year. Mr. Amann discussed the issue with LYF and read a letter from the LYF Board stating that Mr. Amann had never legally represented the organization. Ms. Cartwright advised that she is in the process of organizing a senior prom at the Ludlow Senior Center. Ms. Cartwright requested that anyone who would like to help please email her.

Motion by Mr. Amann, second by Ms. Cartwright, to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Motion carried, all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Sparks, City Clerk

Attest: _____
Kenneth Wynn, Mayor