

**LUDLOW COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MINUTES**

**April 9, 2015**

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: Josh Boone, Dan Ashcraft, Bill Whiteley, and Tom Amann. (Bill Mullins and Michele Cartwright were 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, and Sergeant Eric Love

**Motion by Mr. Amann, second by Mr. Ashcraft, to approve the minutes from the council meeting on March 12, 2015. Motion carried: all ayes.**

**Presentation by Senator Chris McDaniel**

Senator McDaniel discussed the actions taken by the Kentucky Legislature and specific bills that were passed, including the heroin bill.

**STAFF REPORTS**

Fire Department

Mayor Wynn and Mr. Amann thanked the Fire Department on behalf of the Knights of Columbus for assisting in the clean up after the flood.

Public Works

Discussion on the Public Works report and current projects.

Police Department

Discussion on the monthly Police report.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Wynn advised that the asking price for the former Huntington Bank building had been reduced to \$229,000.00. Discussion on a recent meeting with Executive Judge Kris Knochelmann.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Finance Committee (Mr. Amann, Mr. Ashcraft) – The Finance Committee met twice since the last council meeting to review the budget and recommends that the budget be approved as presented.

Public Works Committee (Mr. Boone, Mr. Whiteley) – No report.

Safety Committee (Ms. Cartwright, Mr. Mullins) – No report.

**CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

Discussion on the police chief job search, which is being handled by the Northern Kentucky Area Development District. Discussion on the status of advertising for bids for garbage collection as a part of a group with four other cities. Discussion on the Catalytic Fund's Beyond the Curb event, which showcases various housing stock in urban areas. The event will be hosted by Covington this month, by Newport in October, and by Ludlow next year.

**CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

John Gaiser of 517 Laurel Street discussed concerns about being required to purchase a rental license for a property that he is allowing his son to occupy at no cost. Mr. Gaiser encouraged Council to amend the gross receipts tax ordinance to a net receipts tax.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Proclamation in Support of Building Safety Month**

Mayor Wynn advised that it was requested at the recent Mayor's Group Meeting that each city issue a proclamation for Building Safety Month to support Planning & Development Services of Kenton County (PDS). **Motion by Mr. Ashcraft, second by Mr. Whiteley, to approve the proclamation for Building Safety Month. Motion carried, all ayes.**

**First Reading of Ordinance 2015-2**

**Motion by Mr. Amann, second by Mr. Boone, to introduce Ordinance 2015-2 *An Ordinance Setting the Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2015 Through June 30, 2016 for the City of Ludlow Calling for Revenue of \$3,437,680.00 and Expenditures of \$3,386,789.66 for a first reading.* Mr. Otis completed the first reading of Ordinance 2015-2.**

**First Reading of Ordinance 2015-3**

**Motion by Mr. Ashcraft, second by Mr. Amann, to introduce Ordinance 2015-3 *An Ordinance Amending the City Sticker Ordinance No. 2014-16 for the City of Ludlow, Kentucky for a first reading.* Mr. Otis completed the first reading of Ordinance 2015-3.**

**First Reading of Ordinance 2015-4**

**Motion by Mr. Amann, second by Mr. Whiteley, to table the first reading of Ordinance 2015-4 *An Ordinance Amending the Gross Receipts Tax Ordinance No. 2013-5, As Codified in Sections 111, Et. Seq., of the City of Ludlow, Kentucky Code of Ordinances to allow further discussion at the next caucus meeting.* Motion carried, all ayes.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

**Motion by Mr. Boone, second by Mr. Ashcraft, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Motion carried, all ayes.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Laurie Sparks, City Clerk

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kenneth Wynn, Mayor