

LUDLOW COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

December 14, 2017

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: Bill Whiteley, Jordan Scheid, Josh Boone, Matt Williams, Tom Amann, and John Gaiser.

ALSO ATTENDING: Attorney Fred Johnson, City Administrator Elishia Chamberlain, City Clerk Laurie Sparks, Fire Chief Rob Dreyer, Public Works Project Manager Patrick Walkenhorst, Code Enforcement Officer Tom Garner (arrived at 7:19 p.m.), and Police Chief Scott Smith

Presentation of a Check to the Ludlow Police Department

Carl Fauver presented Chief Smith with a check in the amount of \$411.00 for the Ludlow Police Department. The funds were donated by the residents of Riversbreeze.

Motion by Mr. Amann, second by Mr. Williams, to approve the minutes from the meeting on November 9, 2017. Following a voice vote, motion carried: all ayes.

STAFF REPORTS

Fire Department

Chief Dreyer discussed his report. Bromley Fire Department is no longer providing ambulance service and has contracted with Crescent Springs.

Public Works

Mr. Walkenhorst congratulated Rob Begnoche and Caleb Clayton on graduating from the Roads Scholar Program on December 7, 2017. Discussion on upcoming repairs to the culvert at Sleepy Hollow Road, which will cause traffic delays. Discussion on the status of ranking the trees in the right of way and removing only those in danger of falling.

Police Department

Chief Smith discussed his report. The deadline to donate to the Toy & Food Drive is December 20, 2017. Two new police cruisers will be in service in January.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Wynn thanked Mr. Amann, Mr. Boone, and the administrative staff members who volunteered for Ludlow Day at Behringer Crawford Museum. There were 125 residents who participated in the event to view the Holiday Trains.

COUNCIL WORK GROUP REPORTS

Finance—Mr. Amann and Mr. Boone reviewed the October bank statements and everything appeared to be in order. The Finance Group will meet on December 19, 2017, to review the November bank statements.

Public Works – No report.

Safety – No report.

CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Ms. Chamberlain discussed the status of the budget. Discussion on the Ludlow Historic Society's purchase of a historically significant property on Elm Street. Discussion on the status of the parks. Discussion on the status of the railroad property. Ms. Chamberlain, Mr. Scheid, and Mr. Williams will meet with BLDG next week to discuss branding for the City. Amie Gosser and Nancy Mullins will be working on a marketing plan for "Shop Ludlow". Discussion on whether the City should be the lessee on the railroad property. Mr. Johnson advised discussing the issue in Executive Session. Mr. Amann advised that he is upset that the developer will be using low income housing dollars in the Ludlow Yards project and believes the City should not approve anything less than market rate for the project. Ms. Chamberlain stated that Jeanne Schroer of the Catalytic Fund advised that if the City would like to complete the project, it should follow development agreement as presented. Discussion on the Preferred Development Agreement Term Sheet presented by Pennrose and the status of the project. Mr. Boone advised that he would like to see the actual proposal presented by Pennrose. Discussion on the status of the City's current total debt and the findings of the audit, which will be presented at the January meeting. Mr. Scheid advised that he is apprehensive about low income housing, but would still like to see the developer's plans. Mr. Whiteley advised that he is opposed to low income housing for the Ludlow Yards project.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Joy Amann thanked everyone who attended the Ludlow Historic Society's meeting about the Latta Row Project. Patrick Snadon obtained grant funding for the project. The Historic Society will be working with the Catalytic Fund on the project to restore the five row houses in the 200 block of Elm Street to their original aesthetic. Ms. Amann discussed the history of Latta Row, developed by Luella Latta, and hopes that its restoration will serve as an anchor to restoration on Butler and Euclid. Ms. Amann advised that the Ludlow Yards project may be the City's opportunity to establish a trend toward market rate housing.

Mr. Amann discussed an issue previously brought to Council's attention in the fall by Joel Walters, 223 Lake Street, regarding the odor caused by U.S. Nonwovens dumping chemicals into the sewer system. The issue has still not been resolved. Chief Dreyer advised that the Fire Department investigated the situation and found that U.S. Nonwovens has a permit from Sanitation District No. 1 and the EPA to dump the diluted chemicals into the sewer system at night. Mr. Whiteley advised that he noticed the odor around 6:30 p.m. on a recent walk on Lake Street. Following discussion, Chief Dreyer advised that he would provide Mr. Walters with the EPA's contact information.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Second Reading of Ordinance 2017-7

Motion by Mr. Scheid, second by Mr. Williams, to call up Ordinance 2017-7 An Ordinance Amending City of Ludlow Ordinance Number 1990-13 Adopting and Approving

the Establishment of the City of Ludlow Park Commissioners Board for a second reading. Mr. Johnson completed the second reading of Ordinance 2017-7. Discussion on the need to update the ordinance. Following discussion, Mr. Johnson inserted "Commissioners" after "Park" and before "Board" in the title of the ordinance and in Section I to clarify the creation of the Park Commissioners Board. **Following a roll call vote, motion carried: 5 ayes, 1 nay (Mr. Gaiser).**

Second Reading of Ordinance 2017-8

Motion by Mr. Williams, second by Mr. Scheid, to call up Ordinance 2017-8 *An Ordinance Amending City of Ludlow Ordinance Number 2007-6 Adopting and Approving Park Rules and Regulations That Shall Apply to All Public Parks of the City of Ludlow, Kentucky, for the Purpose of Promoting the Public Health, Safety and Welfare in Connection with the Use of These Parks by the General Public* for a second reading. Following a second reading by Mr. Johnson and a roll call vote, motion carried: all ayes.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2017-15

Motion by Mr. Amann, second by Mr. Boone, to pass Resolution 2017-15 *A Resolution Re-Appointing Don Phelps to Serve on the City of Ludlow Civil Service Board.* Following a roll call vote, motion carried: 5 ayes, 1 abstain (Mr. Scheid).

Resolution 2017-16

Motion by Mr. Boone, second by Mr. Scheid, to pass Resolution 2017-16 *A Resolution Appointing Members to Serve on City of Ludlow Boards.* Following a roll call vote, motion carried: 5 ayes, 1 abstain (Mr. Whiteley).

Resolution 2017-17

Motion by Mr. Boone, second by Mr. Scheid, to pass Resolution 2017-17 *A Resolution Declaring Property as Surplus.* Following a roll call vote, motion carried: all ayes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Scheid encouraged everyone to attend the open house at the Northern Kentucky Martial Arts Academy on December 21, 2017. Mr. Williams, Mr. Amann, and Mr. Gaiser wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Motion by Mr. Amann, second by Mr. Scheid, to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 p.m.
Motion carried, all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Sparks, City Clerk

Attest: _____
Kenneth Wynn, Mayor