

REGULAR MEETING
ERLANGER COUNCIL
October 2, 2007

Mayor Thomas L. Rouse called the special meeting of the Erlanger City Council to order in the City of Erlanger Council Chambers at 7:00 P.M., Tuesday, October 2, 2007.

Members of Council and citizens pledged allegiance to the flag.

The following Members of Council were present: Tom Cahill, John Dunhoft, Keith Henry, Bill Howard, Vicki Kyle, Corine Pitts, Greg Sandel, and Renee Skidmore. Jim Burger, Paul Hahn, Kevin Burke, and Patty Suedkamp were absent.

Also present were: City Administrator Bill Scheyer, Fire/EMS Chief Tim Koenig, Chief Finance Officer Greg Engelman, Economic Development Director Dave Hahn, Public Works Superintendent Rick Bogard, Information Technology Director Becky Hopkins, Building and Zoning Mark Stewart, Police Sergeant Richard Rice, City Engineer Jim Viox, and City Attorney Frank Wichmann.

MINUTES - M/S, Kyle-Dunhoft, that the minutes of the regular meeting, held on September 4, 2007, be approved as read. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION - Mayor Rouse introduced Fire/EMS Chief Tim Koenig and then proceeded to read a proclamation making the month of October 2007 Fire Prevention Month with the theme of "Practice Your Escape Plan" as an important reminder for all citizens and students of Erlanger. Mayor Rouse presented with the proclamation.

MAYOR'S REPORT - Mayor Rouse stated one of his goals upon becoming Mayor was to find ways to ease the budget crunch by reducing spending, finding new revenue, sharing services with neighboring cities or any combination of these.

He reported the opening of Toyota Boshoku National Headquarters in Erlanger's Circleport Complex. In addition Wild Flavors will be expanding. These companies will bring many professionals to our community. New jobs will arrive.

Our partners in the Dispatch Program are joining with us to bring high tech, quality dispatching to the Dixie Highway area of Kenton County. Our plan is to begin dispatching for Edgewood, Villa Hills and Crescent Springs on November 1, 2007. The dispatch and the Advanced Live Support (ALS) programs usher in a new era of cooperation among the cities of Kenton County. Erlanger has demonstrated by actions not words, that it is a progressive leader in the Commonwealth and Greater Cincinnati.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Public Safety - Police - Mr. Dunhoft read a letter addressed to Police Chief Marc Fields from Butler County, Pennsylvania Assistant District Attorney William T. Fullerton. Mr. Fullerton expressed his gratitude and the gratitude of the Butler County community to Officer McGohan for apprehending a child predator who is awaiting sentencing for crimes committed in Butler County, Pennsylvania.

Public Safety - Fire/EMS - Ms. Pitts read a letter from Dan Little and the residents of Fairwood Court thanking the Erlanger Fire/EMS personnel who visited Fairwood Court during their street party. The department personnel were very informative about fire prevention and went out of their way to talk to the children.

Ms. Pitts read a letter from Covington Fire Chief Buddy Wheatley thanking Erlanger Fire/EMS members Craig Stewart and James Eifert for the deployment of the Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) trailer at the Riverfest Fireworks event.

Ms. Pitts reported the Fire/EMS Emergency Activity for the month of September 2007.

• Fire only	67 runs
• Fire/EMS	41 runs
• ALS only	103 runs
• BLS Only	88 runs
• EMS cancels	91 runs
Total responses for the month	390
Average responses per day	13

Chief Tim Koenig reported we backed up Transcare 17 times in September.

Chief Koenig stated October is Fire Prevention month. Please change the batteries in your smoke detectors, and make and practice an escape plan.

Chief Koenig reported the Fire/EMS department is sending out random surveys to our residents. The department is looking for ways to improve themselves.

Public Works - Rick Bogard reported the Annual Leaf Pickup schedule will be published in the Erlanger Recorder. Copies may be obtained at the local banks and at the City building.

Administration - Ms. Kyle announced the tax bills have been mailed to home and business owners. If you do not receive your bill, please contact the Administration office. Do not pay your bill if the mortgage company is paying it for you.

Upcoming events:

- October 13, 2007 - Fall Festival
- October 23, 2007 Family Resource Center Halloween Family Fun Fest
- October 30 - Halloween Event
- October 31 - Senior Halloween event - Alfred Hitchcock movie
- October 31 - Trick or Treat for kids 6:00 to 8:00 P.M.

Finance - No report.

Linda Carter introduced new employee Jenny Wilson who will be working in the Finance and Administration Departments.

Connect Erlanger - Mr. Howard reported progress with the City Platform.

Ms. Skidmore reported Walktober is a huge success. The 200 free t-shirts had been given to the first 200 registrants in the first

hour. Completed Logs are to be turned in at the end of the month to qualify in a drawing for a \$100 prize.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Human Resources - No report.

Revenue Generation - Mr. Cahill reported the Committee is getting the codes departments from Elsmere and Erlanger together.

Dave Hahn said that he has been informed that the owners of the Globe Insurance building want to get together with the owners of Terrace Holdings, Drees and the City. Mr. Hahn suggested that a plan be discussed prepared before we go into the meeting.

M/S, Kyle-Dunhoft, for Council to discuss and prepare a plan before the meeting with the owners of the Globe Insurance building, Terrace Holdings, and Drees. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

M/S, Kyle-Dunhoft, that the Reports of Special Committees be adopted as presented. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

Erlanger/Elsmere Renaissance - Ms. Skidmore reported Rebecca Volpe has been with us since September 15, 2007 as our full time Renaissance Coordinator. She has made our presence known in Frankfort and is pursuing many avenues of ideas for our Renaissance program.

REPORTS OF CITY OPERATIONS

City Engineer - No report.

City Attorney - No report.

City Administrator - Mr. Scheyer stated the Cities of Edgewood, Ludlow and Fort Mitchell have signed the inter-local agreements for the Dispatch program and we are proceeding on track.

M/S, Howard-Skidmore, that the reports of the City Operations be adopted as presented. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE - No Correspondence.

CITIZENS/PUBLIC COMMENTS - Mayor Rouse asked if any citizen chose to address Council. No one had signed up to speak.

BIDS - Mr. Viox reported bids were received for a sidewalk project on Hallam from Mary Street to Stevenson Road; Mary Street from Hallam Street to Stevenson Road; and Rainbow Terrace from Hallam Avenue to Stevenson Road. There were two bidders.

COMPANY PLACING BID	QUANTITY	UNIT COST	COST
TMS Construction	3824	34.65	132,501.60
Paul Michels & Sons	3824	34.50	143,400.00

Mr. Viox recommended that the City accept the bid from TMS Construction as the lowest and best bid.

M/S, Dunhoft-Kyle, to accept the bid from TMS Construction as the lowest and best bid. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Mr. Viox reported bids had been received for crack filling of various streets in the City using Meadows Rubber Asphalt Sealer.

NAME OF CONTRACTOR	PRICE PER POUND	NUMBER OF POUNDS	AMOUNT OF BID
Paul Michels and Sons	\$1.80	22,611	\$40,700
Len Riegler Blacktop	\$2.00	20,350	\$40.700

Mr. Viox recommended that the City accept the bid from Paul Michels and Sons the lowest and best bid.

M/S, Kyle-Dunhoft, to accept the bid from Paul Michels and Sons as the lowest and best bid. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Mr. Viox reported bids had been received for Phase III of Lakemont Park which consists of installing park benches, trash receptacles, drinking fountains, shelters, grills, landscaping and a sand volleyball court.

NAME OF CONTRACTOR	AMOUNT OF BID
Stegman Landscape	\$88,595.
Century Construction	\$117,289.

Mr. Viox recommended that the City accept the bid from Stegman Landscape as the lowest and best bid.

M/S, Cahill-Pitts, to accept the bid from Stegman Landscape as the lowest and best bid. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

WORK IN PROGRESS - Nothing to report.

BUSINESS FOR THE GOOD AND WELFARE OF THE CITY - Nothing to report.

LEGISLATION - Mr. Wichmann read an ordinance amending the text of the Erlanger Zoning Ordinance to amend the flood plain regulations thereof in section 9.24 This was the first reading.

ADJOURNMENT - M/S, Howard-Pitts, to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 P.M. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

APPROVED :

Thomas L. Rouse
Mayor

Respectfully Submitted:

Sandra Schweikert
Administrative Assistant

ATTEST:

Linda Carter
City Clerk