

**City of Crescent Springs
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
July 12, 2010 - 7:00 P.M.**

Those in attendance included the following:

Council Members:

Christie Arlinghaus- absent
Mike Daugherty- present
Dale Ramsey- present
Scott Santangelo- present
Tom Vergamini- present
Matt Zeck- present

Jim Collett, Mayor - present

Joe Baker, City Attorney - present

George Ripberger, Public Serv Dir- present

Sue Hill, City Clerk – present

Others in attendance: Sgt. Vines

Mr. Ripberger introduced Bennett (Ben) Kraft as our new consultant, filming our meetings for Insight TV broadcast. Mayor Collett called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Daugherty made a motion to approve the minutes of the **June 14, 2010 Regular Council Meeting**. Mr. Zeck seconded and upon vote, the motion carried unanimously. Mr. Daugherty made a motion to approve the minutes of the **June 28, 2010 Public Hearing (MRA)**. Mr. Zeck seconded and upon vote, the motion carried unanimously, with Mr. Santangelo present, but not voting due to being absent on June 28th. Mr. Zeck made a motion to approve the minutes of the **June 28, 2010 Special Meeting (Budgets)**. Mr. Daugherty seconded and upon vote, the motion carried unanimously, with Mr. Santangelo present, but not voting due to being absent.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

- Mr. Zeck distributed the **proposed final revision to the General Fund 2009-2010 Budget**. There were only minor changes to line item numbers from the first reading. Discussion followed concerning the proposed disposition of the net surplus of funds that was suggested by the Finance Committee: 1) Transfer \$135,000 from the General Fund to the Capital Improvement Fund for future use on streets or other major improvements, 2) Transfer \$10,000 to the Park Events Fund to be used for a public address system and 2010-2011 Park events, and 3) Authorize the immediate purchase of 2 trucks for the Public Works department to replace old salt spreaders/dump trucks, budgeting \$113,550.
- **Second Reading of Ordinance 2010-4 – Adoption of the Final Revision to the Budget for FYE June 2010** was done by Mr. Baker. Mr. Vergamini made a motion to approve the budget revision, Mr. Daugherty seconded, and upon vote the motion carried unanimously.
- Mr. Zeck reported on the Auditor interviews. Four firms have made presentations and the committee has narrowed the field to two. The cost estimates are coming in lower than the estimated two-times increase. Mr. Baker will confirm that professional services do not require Council action, just the Mayor’s signature on the engagement letter.

PUBLIC SERVICES REPORT

- Mr. Ripberger reported that the Safe Routes To School plan is with Viox and Viox for final review. It will then be sent to Frankfort to approval, after which the bids can be put out, hopefully by September 1st, allowing for completion of the work before winter. If there are any hold ups in Frankfort, the work will have to wait until spring. There may be some change of grade issues requiring resurfacing of the entire road upon completion. There were no right of way or historical factors involved, however there may be a drainage issue at Western Reserve and Lorraine that will need to be addressed.
- The regularly scheduled concrete and blacktop work has been almost completed. The inventory of streets and the related repair plan is almost completed, and will be entered in the computer and emailed to Council soon. Foreseeable Repairs- Foresthill and Twilight: lateral drains, Glendale Ct.: lateral drain and trenching (owners and share some of the costs), Old Elm/Croley: major repairs or else close/vacate and reroute to Crescent Ave.
- The Mayor questioned how the Buttermilk Towne Center foreclosure is going to impact the maintenance of the property and whether we could recoup any costs the City incurs to keep the grass cut etc. Mr. Baker understands that these types of expenses can be treated as liens to the property.
- Mr. Ripberger noted that Home Depot has been warned about the trash and gravel on the roads and hillsides. They may be cited if they don't clean things up. Clocktower Way and the service road are private roads, and need to be maintained by the property owner. However, any signs that are being knocked down by the delivery trucks etc., although not the City's responsibility, are being repaired since it is a public safety issue.
- We will request Viox and Viox to research several streets in the City to determine ownership. If it is determined that they are private streets, the Attorney will send a letter giving notice to the owners that the City will no longer plow nor maintain those streets.

FIRE AUTHORITY REPORT

- Mr. Daugherty reported that the model open burning ban ordinance is still being considered by Villa Hills. Progress is being made and it will be discussed at the Monday Fire Authority meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Mayor Collett reported that the Small Area Study plan goes before the Board of Directors of the Northern Kentucky Area Planning Commission on Monday, July 19th. There will then be an August 5th public hearing conducted by the Kenton County Planning Commission as final approval and adoption into the Comprehensive Plan.
- The next Business Association Meeting will be held Thursday, July 15th. Ken Kallmeyer is making phone calls to remind interested people.
- Everyone is encouraged to attend the 1st Movie In The Park event, this Saturday at dusk, on the soccer field and the hillside above it. Food and drinks are available for purchase.
- Mayor Collett wore his CRESCENT SPRINGS hat to remind everyone to purchase their tickets for the Florence Freedom game on August 27th (and get their free hat!)
- There will be a Community Night on High Street (Buffalo Wings and Rings is organizing) on Saturday, July 24th. All are encouraged to attend. The City will participate by setting up a table to sell tickets for the game.
- The Mayors' Group meeting will be held this Saturday at Ft. Mitchell City Building.

- An informal poll was taken concerning this year's City Christmas Dinner. (date, place...)
- The Mayor announced the NKADD Annual Dinner to be held August 16th. All are invited; please let the city clerk know if you are interested in attending.

OLD BUSINESS

The Mayor announced the SD1 Co-Permittee Meeting on July 29th, concerning the required drafting of the Storm Water Management Plan for the region. Mr. Ripberger will be certain the information is received.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mr. Zeck alerted Mr. Ripberger to a crack in one of the slides in the playground.
- Mr. Daugherty noted that Villa Hills has some signs on their stop signs warning of the penalty for not coming to a complete stop, and requested that we look into doing the same. Mr. Ripberger will do so. Sgt. Vines recommended that the signs could be moved around throughout the City in advance of increased enforcement in any problem areas.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Daugherty made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Ramsey seconded and all agreed. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:03 pm.

ATTESTED BY:

Susan G. Hill

City Clerk

James Collett

Mayor

August 9, 2010

Approved: _____