

Cold Spring City Council November 26, 2007

The regular meeting of Cold Spring Council was called to order by Mayor Mark Stoeber. Pledge to the flag was recited and a prayer was led by the Mayor. Roll call showed the following present – Lou Gerding, David Guidugli, Rob Moore, Kathy Noel, and Stuart Oehrle– excused was Charles Gray. Also present were Tom Benke, April Robinson, Brandon Voelker and Chief Ed Burk.

Mayor Stoeber pointed out the exits as required by Fire Department regulations.

There were two additions to this meetings agenda. The additions were to New Business:

10 C. Addition of stop signs in the city

10 D. Police Polices – 1st reading.

Mayor Stoeber thanked Council and all involved for their part in the Veterans Day Ceremony at the Veterans Memorial. Mayor also spoke of Cold Spring's adopted unit. He extended his condolences to the family of 2nd Lt. Tracy Alger who was killed while her unit was delivering supplies in Iraq.

The "Light Up Cold Spring" contest will be held Sunday, December 9th. Council members will be driving around the City at dark (approx. 6:00p.m.) to look at everyone's lights. A winner and runners up will be chosen by Council and announced Monday, December 10th.

The Cold Spring Parks Recreation and Tree Commission will be having their visit with Santa on Sunday, December 9th at the Central Campbell Fire Department. The visit with Santa will be from noon until 3:00 p.m. The Parks Recreation and Tree Commission will provide refreshments as well as pictures with Santa. Operation Hug will have a card at the event for signatures. The card will be sent to our adopted unit in Iraq.

Mayor Stoeber stated that the December 24th council meeting has been cancelled due to the Christmas holiday. The council and Mayor have agreed to call a special meeting if any business should require action during the month of December.

Waste collections for the weeks of Christmas and New Years have been rescheduled. Christmas week, the normal Friday pickup is rescheduled for Saturday 12/29/2007. New Years week, the normal Friday pickup is rescheduled for Saturday 1/5/2008. This message will be on the city's phone system and message board. We will also put our electronic signs up with the message.

There will be a drawing for a flag for any resident remaining at the end of this meeting.

The minutes of the regular October 22nd council meeting were reviewed by all. Stuart Oehrle motioned for approval and Rob Moore seconded the motion. Lou Gerding made one correction to the minutes. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The minutes of the Special October 24th council meeting were reviewed by all. Dave Guidugli motioned for approval and Lou Gerding seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Stoeber welcomed John Walker and John Chamberlain from Van Gorder, Walker & Co., Inc. Mr. Walker and Mr. Chamberlain presented council with the City's Financial Report. All Council members were given financial packets. Mr. Chamberlain addressed council. He stated that the city was given an unqualified opinion, which is the highest opinion they give as auditors. In regards to the city's cash borrowing, Mayor Stoeber stated that the city took advantage of the capital market while they could. Mr. Chamberlain stated that the city is doing better on cash reserves in the bank than the 3-4% it is paying on the cash borrowing. Mr. Chamberlain also pointed out that the city has a lack of segregation of duties and needs appropriate segregation in the jobs concerning finance. It is also noted that this is not uncommon for a city of Cold Spring's size. Mr. Chamberlain reviewed the city's assets, liabilities, expenditures and revenues. The Mayor thanked the accountants and said that the finance committee would be discussing their recommendations.

Ordinance 07-936 was read in summary form for the second time, amending City Animal Control Ordinance #90-20. A motion was made by Kathy Noel to adopt this ordinance and was seconded by Stuart Oehrle. Roll call vote showed all were in favor. Motion carried.

Ordinance 07-937, consensual annexation of North East corner of US 27 and East Low Gap, was read in summary form for the first time. Motion for approval was made by Stuart Oehrle and was seconded by Lou Gerding. Roll call vote showed all were in favor. Motion carried.

Item 10 C. of new business was an addition to the agenda. This item involves the addition of stop signs in the city. Stop signs are to be placed at Sandstone Ridge and Granite Spring Drive near the crosswalk, Granite Spring Drive and Silver Ledge, Uhl Road and Alidrew Drive (which will create a 3-way stop) and Stonyridge Drive and Charity Hill Drive. Motion to approve the addition of stop signs was made by Lou Gerding and seconded by Kathy Noel. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Item 10 D. of new business was also an addition. This addition is a first reading in summary form of Ordinance 07-938, revisions to Police Policies. Motion to approve was made by Rob Moore and seconded by Dave Guidugli. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Department reports were submitted in writing.

Treasure's Report – Tom Benke stated he received a report from the KY Retirement System stating that retirement percentages were going to go down for both hazardous and non-hazardous employees for the 2008-2009 year.

Police Report – Dave Guidugli inquired as to whether or not there has been any progress on the issue of a school resource officer. Chief stated there has been progress. No further discussion.

Kathy Noel stated that a resident had given a generous donation to Operation Hug in thanks to the Police Department for checking their home during their vacation. This donation was greatly appreciated.

There was no report for Animal Control due to AC Officer being on vacation and attending scheduled training.

Dave Guidugli suggested the Cable Board attend the December 10th meeting. A special meeting needs to be called for the purpose of announcing the "Light Up Cold Spring" winners.

Stuart Oehrle mentioned the timing being off on the traffic lights on US 27. It seems as if the light at Johns Hill Road in Highland Heights is creating problems back into Cold Spring. Chief Burk stated he would call Highland Heights about the problem. Mr. Oehrle also mentioned putting up signs notifying citizens of the delayed waste pickup during the holidays. A notice has already been posted on the City's web site. It was decided that the city's digital signs would be used to display the information. One sign should be placed on the AA HWY, in the area of Glenridge Drive, to notify those residents who do not usually travel US27.

The flag and pole were awarded to John Chamberlain of Orchard Terrace.

Stuart Oehrle made a motion to adjourn. Rob Moore seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Approved:

City Clerk:

Mayor: