

City of Lakeside Park

Minutes of Regular Meeting on 11/11/2024

Note by TBNK: *Audio experienced technical difficulties at the beginning of the council meeting.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Markgraf called to order the regularly scheduled meeting of Lakeside Park City Council at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, November 11, 2024, in the Lakeside Park City Building located at 9 Buttermilk Pike. Those in attendance were Mayor Markgraf, City Clerk Teresa Bruck and City Attorney Greg Voss. The council members present were Chris Gongola, Dennis Landwehr, Mary Ann Thaman, and Brian Waite. Councilmembers that were absent included Tom Bernheimer and Dave Wolfer.

AGENDA

There was one change to the November 11, 2024, Agenda that include deletion of NKADD presentation. This was cancelled due to observation of Veterans Day by the NKADD offices being closed. With these changes of the November 11, 2024, Agenda, Mr. Waite made the **motion** to adopt the amended Agenda and Mr. Landwehr seconded the **motion**. Voice vote was taken. **4 Ayes, 0 Nays; motion** carried.

MEETING MINUTES

No corrections, additions or deletions were requested for the October 14, 2024, minutes. Mr. Gongola made the **motion** to adopt the minutes. Ms. Thaman seconded the **motion**. Voice vote was taken. **4 Ayes, 0 Nays; motion** carried.

CITIZENS ADDRESSING COUNCIL:

No citizen comments.

MAYORS REPORT

The mayor asked everyone to give thanks to all our veterans including our councilman, Mr. Landwehr for his service.

The mayor thanked the citizens for voting in the election and advised that early voting was a great success.

He asked the council to think about how they would like to do the swearing in of the new councilmembers and will send out an email soon.

If snow emergency, we will try to get notifications by website, signboard, news stations, emails and possibly text messages.

The city office will be closed in observance of Thanksgiving Thursday, November 28th and Friday, November 29th.

We are looking for volunteers to help with recreation events.

At the beginning of the year, the mayor would like a committee to review and address old city ordinances to see if they need to be updated.

Last, the mayors' group meeting will be this Saturday morning at Crestview Hills council chambers.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

Mr. Voss then conducted the 2nd reading of Ordinance No. 13-2024, an ordinance of the City of Lakeside Park, Kentucky amending the Lakeside Park zoning ordinance, adopted as Ordinance No. 01-2024.

With no comments from the council, a **motion** was made by Ms. Thaman to adopt Ordinance No. 13-2024, Mr. Gongola seconded the **motion**. Voice vote was taken. **4 Ayes, 0 Nays, motion** carried.

CITY CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT

Ms. Bruck advised we have collected 35% of our total property taxes due for this year.

She stated direct deposit with CoreLogic for the property tax payments that come from Mortgage companies has now been set up and they should no longer receive large amounts of paper checks.

A minor error in the credit/debit card service has been resolved, but if anyone tried to use the service the first week of October, please check with the office to make sure it went through.

As of today, she stated we have collected the 3rd quarter of our insurance premium tax and have a total of approximately \$361,000.000 which is roughly 12% higher than last year.

Last, she advised that a business owner inquired why our gross receipts tax was 10 times higher than all other cities. She researched and found that it was set up that way due to the lack of businesses within the city limits. Even though residents working from home have now changed the number of businesses doing work within the city limits, there is not enough data on this tax yet to consider changing it. She advised the council to table this for next year after research data can be provided.

Mayor added that a lot of companies are calling people back to work in their offices and may significantly change what we currently receive from this income, so this is why more study is needed on this tax as well.

FIRE/EMS:

Asst. Chief Hampton was not able to make the meeting, but the mayor read the fire department report that included 17 public education events, 2 child seat installments, all shifts completed training, all their equipment was annually tested, and they have installed a new software system.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Mr. Bernheimer was unable to make the meeting, so the mayor read the public works report.

The mayor advised Mr. Greer has been actively working on the sidewalk project and plans to set up meetings in the near future. They will also need to consult with an arborist regarding some issues with trees impeding on sidewalks.

2024 joint crack seal program has been completed and has been paid.

The spot repair project has been completed and we are pending an invoice.

The Crestview Hills sidewalk project on Dixie is progressing and due to be bid out next spring.

There was an assessment done on Bellemonte Avenue for resurfacing and sidewalk repairs. We have applied for a grant to help with that project.

We are in a holding pattern for crosswalk improvements.

The 2025 street program will consist of Shaker as well as Marlo Way combined so as to take advantage of lower costs.

Annual street sweeping will be done on December 3rd and 4th. Please remove cars from the streets on those days.

Christmas tree recycling will be held here at the city office in the east side of the parking area starting the day after Christmas and be continuing to be collected until recycling day on January 13th.

We have a new radar speed sign to be used throughout the city.

A new "No Parking" sign on Kearney Court has been installed.

Ms. Thaman made comment that there are only three trees of concern impacting the sidewalks.

POLICE AUTHORITY:

The mayor advised the report for this month was provided at the last council meeting, so nothing new to report.

PDS:

Mr. Waite said PDS did not meet this month so no report available.

FINANCE:

Mr. Gongola advised he reviewed the books last week. We received 35% of our property taxes this year. Our total assets are roughly \$4.5 million. Credit Card receipts were all appropriate for city expenses. CD rates are all good and nothing currently maturing.

MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT LEAGUE OF NORTHERN KENTUCKY (MGLNK):

Mr. Landwehr said the meeting this month was cancelled.

RECREATION:

Ms. Thaman reported trunk, or treat was a great success again and the kids had a ton of friends. She thanked everyone that helped with this event.

She advised the senior luncheon would be on November 20th at Barleycorns at 11am, and you can call the office or sign up on the website.

The next event is ice skating at Northern KY Ice Center on November 27th from 5:30 to 7:30PM.

Holiday house decorating contest will be judge on Friday, November 6th and awarded at Light Up Lakeside event.

The "Light Up Lakeside" event is Sunday, December 8th from 5 to 8pm. The carriage ride sign ups and the luminary kits will be available starting November 18th.

Ms. Thaman said Senior Bingo will be Tuesday, December 10th at 2:00PM.

The mayor also thanked Ms. Thaman for her help with the trunk or treat.

PUBLIC RELATIONS:

The mayor advised the newsletter will be going out on the first of December by mail and if any council members have articles to add, please let us know.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business reported.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business reported.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL:

Mr. Landwehr thanks our county clerk and all the election poll workers.

Mr. Gongola said he unfortunately won't be joining the council next year, but he thanked the community for their election turnout.

The mayor thanked Chris for his service and advised we would still be called upon.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:34PM Mr. Landwehr made the **motion** to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Gongola seconded the **motion**.
Voice vote taken **-4 Ayes, 0 Nays; motion** carried.


Paul Markgraf, Mayor

ATTEST:


Teresa L. Bruck, City Clerk

AYES: 6
NAYS: 0