

**CITY OF HIGHLAND HEIGHTS
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 6, 2006**

On June 6, 2006, Mayor Roettger opened the Council meeting at the Civic Center, 175 Johns Hill Road, at 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Council Members: Harold Blocher, Steve Lehman, Greg Meyers, Jeanne Pettit, Rose Pfaff, and Gene White. **ALSO PRESENT:** City Attorney Steve Franzen and Building Inspector/Zoning Administrator Dave Whitacre.

ABSENT: Jean Rauf. Mayor Roettger announced that Mrs. Rauf had called him and informed him that she would not be at the meeting due to a family commitment.

PRAYER: Member Pfaff.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Everyone said the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES: The unofficial draft of the minutes of May 16, 2006, Council meeting had been previously submitted to the Mayor, Council members and City Staff.

ACTION TAKEN: MEMBER LEHMAN MOVED, SECONDED BY MEMBER PFAFF TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF MAY 16, 2006. DISCUSSION: NONE. AYE, ALL. MAYOR ROETTGER DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

CHANGES/ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA: None.

SCHEDULED GUEST/S: None.

CORRESPONDENCE: Member Pfaff stated she received a telephone call from Margaret Stamper. She said Mrs. Stamper complimented the City on the flags, the landscaping at US 27 and 471 and the City of Highland Heights sign.

STAFF REPORTS: POLICE CHIEF: No report.

CITY CLERK/TREASURER: No report.

FINANCE DIRECTOR: Mr. Benke had prepared the 2005-2006 reconciliation. He also prepared the 2006-2007 annual budget. A copy thereof was previously distributed to Mayor and City Council members for their review.

Mayor Roettger stated he would entertain a motion to conduct a Special Meeting for the specific purpose to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.

After a brief discussion about the date to have this meeting it was the consensus of Council to conduct this Special Meeting of June 13, 2006 at 7:30 p.m.

ACTION TAKEN: MEMBER BLOCHER MOVED TO CONDUCT THE SPECIAL MEETING ON JUNE 13, 2006 AT 7:30 P.M., FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS, SECONDED BY MEMBER PFAFF. AYE, ALL. MAYOR ROETTGER DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mayor Roettger announced that Attorney Franzen prepared the ordinance amending the City of Highland Heights annual budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006. He further announced Attorney Franzen has also prepared the ordinance adopting the City of Highland Heights Annual Budget for Fiscal year July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

Mayor Roettger stated Attorney Franzen will read these ordinances later in the meeting. A copy of the ordinances and attachments were previously distributed to each Council member.

CITY ENGINEER/ZONING ADMINISTRATOR: Mr. Whitacre reported the Bordeaux Street Replacement is scheduled to begin on July 15, 2006.

The Discretionary Bond Application for Bon Jan has been received. He said as yet it has not been approved, but it has been put on the agenda for Campbell County.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR: No report.

CITY ATTORNEY: SECOND READING/S OF THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCE/S:

ACTION TAKEN: MEMBER WHITE MOVED THAT ATTORNEY FRANZEN READ THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCE IN SUMMARY, SECONDED BY MEMBER PETTIT. AYE, ALL. MAYOR ROETTGER DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Attorney Franzen read, in summary, the Second Reading of the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE #02-2006: AN ORDINANCE ENACTING AND ADOPTING A SUPPLEMENT TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND HEIGHTS,

KENTUCKY.

ACTION TAKEN: MEMBER PFAFF MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE, #02.2006, SECONDED BY MEMBER BLOCHER. DISCUSSION: NONE. AYE, ALL. MAYOR ROETTGER DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

FOR THE RECORD: This ordinance is made a part of the City's records and is indexed in the Official Record Book of the City as #02-2006.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

CITIZEN/S TO ADDRESS COUNCIL: Sandy Shaw, Chairperson Park and Recreation. Ms. Shaw stated she would like clarification as far as where the sign advertising the June 24th concert could be located. She asked if there was a location on US 27 and I-471 where the sign could be located.

Mayor Roettger read the e-mail he sent to Council members regarding the placement of signs that was discussed at the last council meeting.

City Zoning Administrator Whitacre explained that everything that is in the intersection is state highway, except everything behind the fences. He also stated that on the opposite side, where Perkins Restaurant is located, Perkins owns the property up to 6 inches from the curbs then it becomes State Highway property.

At this time, Member Pfaff asked "what about the right-of-way where we already have a sign?" Mr. Whitacre responded and stated the City is allowed an identification or directional sign; the state will not allow advertising of any kind in the right-of-way.

There were frank and cordial views exchanged between the Mayor, City Council members and the City Zoning Administrator about this matter.

Ms. Shaw said "that Parks and Recreation had a vote at the January meeting that stated if we could no longer adequately advertise our events we would no longer do our events; it is too much work, it's a lot of work on a lot of people's part, it will not work with advertising through the newspapers, the newsletter or the internet, and we have decided that if we could no longer advertise adequately, then we would resign".

After more discussion ensued about this topic, Mayor Roettger re-read what was decided at the meeting he had with Parks and Recreation. A copy thereof was previously e-mailed to all Council members.

Mayor Roettger stated if Council agrees to these terms, Mr. Whitacre may proceed to try to get a permit. He further stated if Council agrees with the terms

the City Attorney could draft a Municipal Order. It was the consensus of Council to agree to the terms as read by the Mayor.

Councilmember White stated he would like Mr. Whitacre to check with the State Highway Department regarding whether we could receive verbal permission to get something in writing about this sign.

ACTION TAKEN: MEMBER BLOCHER MOVED TO ENACT A MUNICIPAL ORDER, THE DOCUMENTS THAT ALL COUNCIL HAS A COPY OF, OUTLINING THE SOLUTION FOR THE TIME BEING WITH TEMPORARY SIGNS UNTIL SUCH A TIME WHEN A PERMANENT SOLUTION CAN BE PUT IN PLACE, SECONDED BY MEMBER LEHMAN. DISCUSSION: None. AYE, ALL. MAYOR ROETTGER DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Ms. Shaw again asked for clarification. She said she thought the small signs could be for concerts, City Fest and all other events, and they would only use the large to advertise the City Fest and all City Concerts. Mayor and Council agreed.

Mayor Roettger requested that Mr. Whitacre get in touch with the state and also find out through GIS mapping where our opportunities are for placement of the sign. He stated they were looking at the areas by Towanda Drive between Bon Jan and Towanda, or on the other side of the street, a one day sign at the City Building at Johns Hills Road, I-471 & U.S. 27 (close to the rock wall), and at the north end, the area between Alexandria Pike and Alexandria Pike.

NEW BUSINESS: FIRST READING/S OF ORDINANCE/S: None. Attorney Franzen read the First Reading of the following ordinances:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF HIGHLAND HEIGHTS ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 7/1/2005 THROUGH 6/30/2006. BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND RESOURCES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF CITY GOVERNMENT.

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CITY OF HIGHLAND HEIGHTS, KENTUCKY ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 7/1/2006 THROUGH 6/30/2007, BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND RESOURCES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF CITY GOVERNMENT.

.RESOLUTION/S: None.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS: None.

Being no further business, **MEMBER WHITE MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING, SECONDED BY MEMBER PETTIT. AYE, ALL. MAYOR PRO TEM MEYERS DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

SUBMITTED BY _____
JEAN A. RAUF, CLERK TREASURER CMC

SIGNED BY: _____
CHARLES W. ROETTGER. III, MAYOR