BEECH GROVE CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
December 6, 2004

Mayor Wright called the meeting to order at 7:55 P.M.

ROLL CALL: City Council members, William Carpenter, Ingle Harris, Gene Humphrey, Joe Prindle and Kathy Coates were present at the meeting. Also attending were Mayor Wright, Clerk Treasurer Mary Carpenter and Deputy City Attorney Tricia Leminger. Council members Mary Stewart and Roy Edwards had excused absences.

All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

The minutes for the November 1, 2004 Council meeting were read and approved.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Wright presented the Fraternal Order of Eagles a Proclamation declaring the month of December to be “Home and Family Month”.

Mayor Wright presented a plaque to Joe Sargeant congratulating him on achieving Eagle Scout, which is the highest honor awarded by the Boy Scouts.

REPORTS:

Joey Fox gave a report from the Mayor’s Youth Council and Pancho Alverez, gave the Cable Authority Report. Mayor Wright gave a brief report from the Greenscape Committee.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Deputy City Attorney Tricia Leminger presented Special Ordinance #5, 2004, Elected Official Salary Ordinance on second reading. Ingle Harris made a motion to approve Special Ordinance #5 on second reading and Mr. Humphrey seconded the motion. Mr. Harris stated that all elected officials, including the Clerk-Treasurer had not taken an increase in salary. All voted aye. Kathy Coates made a motion to approve Special Ordinance #5 on third reading. Mr. Humphrey seconded the motion and all voted aye.

Ms. Leminger presented Special Ordinance #6 relating to the Proposed Agreement Between the City and the Firefighters’ Association on second reading. Mr. Harris made a motion to approve Special Ordinance #6 on second reading. Mr. Prindle seconded the motion and all voted aye. Mr. Carpenter made a motion to approve Special Ordinance #6 on third reading. Mr. Humphrey seconded the motion and all voted aye.
Ms. Leminger presented Special Ordinance #7 relating to the Proposed Agreement Between the City and the Emergency Communications Employees Association on second reading. Mr. Harris made a motion to approve Special Ordinance #7 on second reading. Mr. Carpenter seconded the motion and all voted aye. Ms. Coates made a motion to approve Special Ordinance #7 on third reading. All voted aye.

Ms. Leminger presented General Ordinance #5 relating to Procedures for the Introduction and Reading of Ordinances of a Certain Length on second reading. Bill Carpenter made a motion to approve General Ordinance #5 on second reading and Gene Humphrey seconded the motion. All voted aye. Mr. Humphrey made a motion to approve General Ordinance #5 on third reading and Mr. Harris seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Ms. Leminger presented General Ordinance #6, an Amendment to the Meeting Time for Council and Meeting Time and Date for the Board of Public Works and Board of Sanitation on second reading. Mr. Prindle made a motion to approve General Ordinance #6 on second reading and Mr. Harris seconded the motion. All voted aye. Mr. Carpenter made a motion to approve General Ordinance #6 on third reading. Mr. Humphrey seconded the motion and all voted aye.

Ms. Leminger presented General Ordinance #7, an Amendment to Section 77, Schedule IV of the Code of Ordinances relating to Speed Limits On second reading. Mr. Humphrey made a motion that it be approved on second reading including any amendments. Mr. Carpenter seconded the motion and all voted aye. Kathy Coates made a motion that General Ordinance #7, Section 1 be changed to delete 22nd Ave. Mr. Humphrey seconded the motion and all voted aye. Ms. Coates made a motion to approve the amended General Ordinance #7 on second reading. Mr. Humphrey seconded the motion and all voted aye. Mr. Harris made a motion to approve the amended General Ordinance #7 on third reading and Mr. Prindle seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Ms. Leminger presented General Ordinance #8 a Stormwater Discharge Ordinance, Administrative Rule 13 Compliance. Mr. Humphrey made a motion that General Ordinance #8 be approved on second reading including any amendments. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. All voted aye. Mr. Humphrey made a motion that General Ordinance #8 be amended as follows: Section 8, watercourse protection, deleted. Amend Sec. 13.1E to cost instead of a fine. Amend Sections 15, 16 and 17 to provide for a 15-day appeal. Mr. Harris seconded the motion and all voted aye. Mr. Harris made a motion that the amended General Ordinance #8 be approved on second reading. Mr. Humphrey seconded the motion and all voted aye. Mr. Prindle made a motion to approve General Ordinance #8 on third reading and Mr. Carpenter seconded the motion. All voted aye.
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NEW BUSINESS:

Ms. Leminger presented Resolution #11, a resolution for Appointments to the City Cablevision Authority. Mayor Wright’s appointments are John Corbin, Aaron Gilbertti and Cindy Kirchofer. Mr. Humphrey made a motion to accept the Mayor’s appointments to a 5-year term. Mr. Harris seconded the motion and all voted aye. Mayor Wright then introduced Cindy Kirchofer and John Corbin.

Ms. Leminger presented Resolution #12, a resolution Providing for the City of Beech Grove’s Participation in the “Central Indiana Regional Transportation Authority”. Mike Deering from the City of Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization gave an explanation as to the benefits of being part of the RTA. Ingle Harris made a motion that the City of Beech Grove participate in the RTA. Gene Humphrey seconded the motion and all voted aye.

Ms. Leminger presented General Ordinance #9, Providing for an Amendment to Section 37.11 Code of Ordinances Relating to Educational Incentive Pay. This Ordinance seeks to address a long-standing inequality for those who obtained college degrees prior to employment by the City of Beech Grove. Ingle Harris made a motion to approve General Ordinance #9 on first reading. Gene Humphrey seconded the motion and all voted aye.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Ingle Harris and Joe Prindle both wished everyone a Merry Christmas and best wishes to Mary Stewart who was in the hospital. Joe Prindle expressed sympathy to John Piccione and his family on the death of his father. Police Chief Chris Millott thanked the Council for all their hard work during 2004.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 P.M.

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Donald Joe Wright, Mayor      Mary A. Carpenter, Clerk-Treasurer