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Minutes
March 16, 2017
Monthly Member Meeting

Mayor Bill Dieruf, JCLC President, welcomed everyone and opened the March 16, 2017, JCLC Monthly Member Meeting, at 7:00PM at the City of Middletown City Hall, 11803 Old Shelbyville Road. He opened the floor to self introductions.

He introduced representatives of a coalition of cities united against the placement of the new Veterans Administration Hospital on Brownsboro Road at the Watterson X-Way exchange. They represented the City of Northfield. They reviewed the purpose of the coalition and distributed materials on the VA Medical Center project. They encouraged and welcomed cities to join their coalition. They reviewed the organization plans for the proposed medical center and listed the reasons why this is not a practical location. They stressed the lack of adequate roadways for increased traffic and difficulty of access by veterans and their family utilizing it.

Mayor Dieruf introduced Ellen Call, Charter Communications, for a report on their services and renewal of the current City agreements with Charter. Ellen stressed that is not an exclusive agreement and cities are open to engage with additional vendors in this area. She is approaching cities requesting that the city update its current agreement to make it applicable to Charter Communications. She covered the following topics: Gig project and 300 Mbps throughout Louisville; Charter's commitment to local jobs, approximately 2600 employees; industry-leading low-cost broadband offering; free internet and WiFi at community centers; more WiFi access points; investing in customer service; all-in pricing with no data caps or common fees. Mayor Dieruf stated that JCLC is creating a 'draft' template of a city agreement with Charter Communications. It will be forwarded to the cities for their use or nonuse through their city attorney. Ellen stated that she will be calling on each city to review their current agreements and the renewal process.

Mayor Dieruf introduced the individuals that will present the monthly program topic, City Insurance, on a panel with him. They are Doug Goforth of the Kentucky League of Cities Insurance Services, State Rep. Steve Riggs and Mayor David Brown, City of Seneca Gardens and retired insurance professional.

Doug Goforth stressed the following points on the value for adequate insurance coverage by cities:

- There is no substitute for a knowledgeable agent on behalf of a city and the KLC Insurance Services can perform that role.
- How much coverage is adequate? This will depend on the total City assets, number of employees, services provided to residents, etc.
- KLC policies are specifically designed for the City needs in this area. The cost for a policy defense amount will vary and different than set limits.
- Public Officials: there is a need for a policy to cover them.

- **Cyber:** A new need for a policy to cover cyber liability in the area of electronic transactions, loss of personnel, employee information, etc.

Mayor David Brown covered the following areas:

- **Insurance** should be viewed as a contract.
- **Understand revenue exclusions and limitations.**
- **Municipal Premium Insurance Tax:** should be reviewed to ensure that the revenue from city resident payments is going to the city and not Metro government.
- **Additional Insured:** check on liability insurance for special event volunteers, contract vendor employees for services delivered within city.

Rep. Steve Riggs covered the following areas:

- **City insurance:** don't overuse it because it will affect your city rates.
- **New company bids** have access to your City history in this area.
- **Experts:** Insurance companies have loss prevention experts and your city should take advantage of them. Employee theft would fall in this area.
- **Employees:** Designate a City employee as point of contact for insurance company.
- **Public Officials Liability:** this is a must.
- **Harassment:** this is a new area that a City should cover under employees.
- **Manual:** develop a good procedures manual to guide insurance coverage.

Mayor Bill Dieruf:

Mayor Dieruf added that the size of city will determine the scope of City insurance policy. He also gave examples of specific types of a claim within the City of Jeffersontown.

Mayor Dieruf opened the floor for questions and answers and moderated the panels response.

Mayor Dieruf thanked the panel members for their presentations.

He also thanked Rep. Steve Riggs for his continued support of legislation beneficial to cities as a member of the Ky. House of Representatives and its Local Government Committee.

Mayor Dieruf reviewed the activities of JCLC and KLC in the 2017 session of the Kentucky State Legislature. JCLC was primarily focused on HB 246 which reorganizes the local 109 Board. It adds a representative of JCLC to the current five member board all of which are appointed by the Metro Mayor. He thanked those cities that made calls on its behalf. He will keep the cities informed of its final outcome.

He adjourned the meeting at 8:25PM

Respectfully submitted,
Mayor David Brown, Secretary