

Minutes for the City of Worthington Hills
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Date, August 20, 2019

Present: Robert Stonum Dennis Metcalf Carol Campbell Dan Small
 Steve Schwager Linda Beville Dawn Eichenberger Bev Lush

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Stonum with a motion by Commissioner Eichenberger and seconded by Commissioner Campbell. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States was recited, followed by a moment of silent prayer.

The Mayor greeted guests and introduced the Commissioners, City Treasurer, City Clerk and City Attorney.

Sawyer Small is working toward a Boy Scout badge and explained his preliminary plan for the green area to include: new flower bed, mulch and fill in sink holes. A motion was made for Sawyer to continue creating his plan by Commissioner Beville and seconded by Commissioner Eichenberger. Vote was unanimous.

COWH had posted a bid request for the City's snow and ice removal for Winter of 2019-2020. Commissioner Campbell advised that there was only 1 bid submitted on time. She opened and read the proposed costs from Minor and Company. Commissioner Campbell asked Attorney Schwager to read over the bid for anything legal that might be missing. He will do that and report back next month.

Citizens Participation: There were 1 police officer and 5 citizens present with questions & concerns including:

- A resident commented that the dead bush was gone and the branches had been trimmed on Bays End Ct.

Minutes: The July 2019 minutes were brought up for approval. Motion was made by Commissioner Campbell and seconded by Commissioner Beville to approve the minutes. Vote was unanimous.

Financial Report: The Financials had been distributed to the Commission for review and posted on COWH website prior to the City Meeting. Approval motion was made by Commissioner Eichenberger and seconded by Commissioner Campbell. Vote was unanimous.

- Treasurer Small reported that liens have not been filed on past due taxes from as far back as 2015. He estimated that there is \$124,000 owed in unpaid taxes. Attorney Schwager will do some research and get ready to file necessary liens.
- It was noted that any additional FY '2019 expenses must be brought to COWH's attention by August 31, 2019.
- City Clerk Lush needs to send letter to 5 property owners to advise that the Lock Box Number has changed.

Expense Review: The spreadsheet of August invoices along with the cover sheet were passed around for the Commissioners to review and initial. All commissioners reviewed and initialed the review sheet. An approval motion was made by Commissioner Eichenberger and seconded by Commissioner Campbell. Vote was unanimous.

Presentation by City Attorney:

- Unemployment hearings on Roy and Betty Coleman – Both had adverse rulings and both filed appeals. Again – adverse rulings. Attorney Schwager feels this should be the end of this issue.
 - He checked with Commissioner Eichenberger that she is OK with the requirements for the November election.
 - Ground Effects issue – A City road has been damaged by a piece of their heavy equipment. Suggested that COWH get a repair estimate and have Ground Effects fix the road.
 - Attorney Schwager told of the City's parking ordinances.
 - o 1981 – Original Ordinance
 - o 1982 – First time amended
 - o 2015 – Second time amended
- Schedule for new parking ordinance...
- Create new ordinance and have first reading
 - Repeal old ordinance
 - Have second reading of new ordinance and vote to pass

Old Business:

- Short discussion on the creation of the Code of Enforcement Board
 - Commissioner Beville and Commissioner Metcalf met with Jim Pierson of LG&E re: new street lights on some courts. 8 locations were determined. To install these new lights, must have residents' permission to access their property. These new LED lights will be cheaper to operate than the current mercury lights. Letter will be created to be sent to these residents and will include permission form to be signed and returned to COWH. Letter motion was made by Commissioner Campbell and seconded by Commissioner Eichenberger. Vote was unanimous.
 - Girl Scouts are moving along on their address project.
 - Update on fencing on public easements:
 - o 4100 Northumberland – completed
- It's past 45 days moving toward 90-day deadline of October 15, 2019. All commissioners agreed it's time to send "reminder" letter to the 3 residents.
- Mayor Stonum again asked the commissioners if they had come up with any projects.
 - o Easter Egg Hunt – Discussion on cost of plastic eggs and having "age group" areas with each area having a gigantic egg with special prize.
 - o Community Day in green space

New Business:

- Mayor Stonum mentioned the fact of some residents seem to have out-of-state licensed vehicles. He said it is the commissioners' job as elected officials to help enforce laws. Discussed the insurance laws. For example: If Ky resident with Ohio insurance, insurance companies have the right to refuse to pay a claim. After some discussion, it was determined that this is not a city issue and if reported to the state, it will not be done by the City.
- Commissioner Campbell brought up the issue of getting the speed humps painted. She has received 3 estimates and the commissioners agreed to go with Atlantic Construction Company and be sure there are 2 coats of paint put onto the humps. Motion to move ahead on this project was made by Commissioner Beville and seconded by Commissioner Eichenberger. Vote was unanimous. Commissioner Campbell will contact Atlantic to set up the painting.
- Cracked sidewalks – Commissioner Eichenberger brought up this safety issue. Mayor Stonum said no because not in the budget and you can't use public funds for private use (sidewalks are the responsibility of the property owner). Commissioner Beville asked about amending the budget to find this needed money.

Commissioner Reports:

Property Maintenance: Commissioner Eichenberger

- 7/24 Contacted MSD regarding resident issue of pooling water on Luray Ct at resident's driveway. Was advised this issue has been addressed by MSD several times and as long as water drains within 24-48 hours, that is acceptable.
- 7/27 Received email from Maximus Lawn Care advising too dry and grass not growing much. Will not mow green space. Did mow islands and sprayed the weeds.
- 7/29 Received email from Bay Run resident regarding fallen pine trees on her fence. She doesn't think they're on her property. Advised her to have survey completed to confirm and also needed to contact Gardens of Bay Run HOA as COWH is not responsible. Per a follow-up on this issue, we are currently waiting on the Gardens of Bay Run groundskeeper to provide us with contact information so we may forward to our resident.
- 7/30 Received email from resident questioning sidewalk repair on Bays End Court. After research I advised resident it's the property owner's responsibility for repair.
- 7/31 Working with Commissioner Beville to write up a proposal letter to send to residents explaining LG&E's plans to install #12 2 C cable for new street lights. After completion, they will be reseeding the yards.
- 8/3 Received email from resident's wife after my reply wanting to know how the property owners are enforced to maintain their property. I sent them an email with an explanation and an invitation to the meeting.
- 8/5 Replied to email regarding vacant property at 3812 Northumberland Drive.
- 8/19 Received call from resident with questions concerning how to proceed regarding rental property registration online form.

Safety: Commissioner Metcalf

- Drove city on multiple occasions
- Called AT&T about an exposed wire protruding from a damaged enclosure. They came out the next day and made a repair
- Issued a parking permit to a resident at 11012 Lunenburg Ct
- Mayor Stonum and I went to Post Office and storage area on multiple occasions
- Mayor Stonum and I met with Attorney Schwager
- Met with resident at 11012 Lunenburg Ct about permits for putting a gravel pad down and called 811 and MSD
- Mayor Stonum called me about a car at 4107 Northumberland Dr. on 4 jack stands in a sloping driveway. I reported it to Tate Mason of Derby City Protection and called 311 and reported it.
- Mayor Stonum and I attended a KLC class in Lexington put on by Unified Technologies.
- Mayor Stonum and I attended a class of Ky Derby Museum put on by the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.

Derby City Protection Activity Report

- 7-30-19 - Parking Citation
- 7-30-19 - 2 traffic stops
- 7-31-19 - Parking Citation
- 7-31-19 - 2 traffic stops

Utilities: Commissioner Beville

- Light Checks were conducted on July 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 with no outages to be reported.
- Advised Safety Commissioner Metcalfe of the damaged AT&T box on Arwine, a resident reported that it had been hit and there were exposed wires.
- Property Commissioner Dawn Eichenberger and I worked together to draft a letter to eight property owners informing them of the plan to install new street lights throughout the City and requesting permission for LG&E to access their property to run #12 2/C electrical cable necessary for installing the lights.

Road Maintenance: Commissioner Campbell

- 07/19/2019 – Attended Kentucky League of Cities Meeting at Prospect City Hall.
- 07/30/2019 and 08/13/2019 – Made mail runs with Bev Lush, City Clerk.
- 08/03/2019 – Sent Mail Run Schedule for August and September.
- 08/05/2019 and 08/06/2019 – Crack filling on Northumberland Drive completed (using money from the 2019 budget). Also turn arrows, stop bars, and center stripe painted on Northumberland Drive at the exit onto Westport Road. White chevron stripes were also painted on the speed hump in front of the daycare on Northumberland Drive.
- 08/08/2019 – Rode the subdivision with Todd Hatfield from Atlantic Construction Company to show him location and size of speed bumps. He submitted a bid/quote for the painting of the 16 yellow speed bumps.
- 08/12/2019 – Met with Billy Minor from Minor & Co, as well as Mayor Bob Stonum, to give him specs for the Snow and Ice Removal Bid.
- 08/13/2019 – Double Arrow sign (ordered from Saf-Ti-Co) was installed in front of and before encountering the painted arrows at the Northumberland Drive Exit onto Westport Road.

Citizens Participation:

- *Taxes and Liens – Resident asked to confirm what was decided at the beginning of the meeting about collecting the past due taxes. New administration needs to handle this.*

The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 pm with a motion by Commissioner Eichenberger and seconded by Commissioner Campbell. Vote was unanimous.

Signatures:

City Clerk: _____ Date: _____

Mayor: _____ Date: _____