Minutes for the City of Worthington Hills
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Date: *October 17, 2026*

Present: *Robert Stonum, Dennis Metcalf, Linda Beville, Christina Recendez, Rob DeWees, Bev Lush*

Citizens Present: 1

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

Citizens' Concerns:

- *Ms. Campbell commented that she thinks the front entrance looks very nice.*

Minutes*: The September 2026 minutes were brought up for approval. Motion was made by Commissioner Beville to approve the minutes and seconded by Commissioner Metcalf. Vote was unanimous.*

Financial Report*: The September 2026 Financials had been distributed to the Commission for review and posted on COWH website prior to the City Meeting. Motion to approve was made by Commissioner Metcalf and seconded by Commissioner Recendez. Vote was unanimous.*

Expense Review*: The cover sheet of October invoices along with invoice copies were passed around for Commissioners to review and initial. No approval motion was needed since Commissioners had already initialed and approved*

Legal*:*

- *Mayor Stonum questioned the water bill always being considered late. Commissioner Maupin has called about the issues. Supervisor said that the due date can not be changed. Commissioner Maupin advised that per 2025 records, water meters were turned off on October 25, 2025.*
- *Always considered late because of how the invoice arrives to COWH and how the due date is figured. After some discussion, Mayor Stonum made a motion to have City Clerk Lush forward the water company invoice to Treasurer Small when it is received and he is authorized to pay it at that time to save on late charges. It will be entered on the Expense Review sheet for the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Metcalf. Vote was unanimous.*

Old Business:

- *Tree Limbs – Commissioner Recendez advised that Pro Trees cut the limbs, but didn't stack. She had pictures. Looks better. She will try to fix it herself.*
- *City Audit – Mayor Stonum stated all materials had been sent to Stephanie with Bramel and Ackley. She will look at next week and present at the November meeting. Happy at this point. Treasurer Small does a great job.*
- *Welcome Committee – no update*
- *Commissioner Metcalf advised that our radio check will be on Channel 5 tonight.*
- *Update on Speed Sign – new battery is charging and will be turned on in a few days.*

- *Commissioner Recendez update on Sidewalk Repair proposal. Next step? More time? Mayor says vehicles are parked over the sidewalks. After some discussion, Mayor Stonum suggested METRO ticket vehicles from parking over the sidewalks. Commissioner Beville is concerned about tripping hazards and fall liability. COWH resolution follows the Jefferson County ordinance. Bay Run and Middlesex sidewalks were put in by the builder and mandated by Jefferson County. Commissioner asked if COWH can make property owners repair the sidewalks. Mayor Stonum said no. Mayor Stonum thinks we should add a walking lane on main streets. Commissioner Recendez will contact the sidewalk company to give us locations of worst locations and no problems through driveways. This issue was tabled until the November meeting.*

New Business

- *Commissioner Beville advised about the snow removal proposal. She made a motion to accept this new proposal for winter road maintenance from Karrer. Seconded by Commissioner Metcalf. Vote was unanimous.*
- *JCLC – Dinner is November 12, 2026. Each commissioner can decide for themselves if they wish to attend. Mayor Stonum advised that he is not a fan of this event. He made a motion that each commissioner pays for themselves – not at the city's expense. Seconded by Commissioner Metcalf. Vote was unanimous.*
- *Commissioner Recendez has asked Maximus Lawn Care for a quote to remove the cherry tree that has fallen on a property owner's fence. Mayor Stonum suggested a quote for only the part of the tree on COWH's property.*
- *Commissioner Beville advised of a dead tree on Bay Run. Commissioner Recendez said the property owner is responsible. COWH is not responsible for tree limbs, trash, etc. on property and/or sidewalks.*
- *Commissioner Beville told us about the Lunenburg owner who won't fix her fence. Also a fence issue on Dickerson Court.*
- *Come discussion on trespassers close to Treis Condos. Property owners can put "No Trespassing" signs on their property*

Commissioners' Reports:

Road Commissioner Beville:

9/16 – Completed and submitted the Bramel & Ackley audit questionnaire
9/29 – Received and shared with the Commission via email the winter road maintenance proposal from Karrer
9/29 – Reached out to Commissioner Maupin about another appliance left curbside at the townhouses on Pacelli
10/02 – Replied to an email from David Williams about bent sign poles and forwarded to Commissioner Recendez his email about shrub clippings next to the sidewalk at 12201 Bay Run Drive
10/05 – Reviewed the minutes from the September meeting
10/15 – Reviewed the financial reports for tonight's meeting

Safety Commissioner Metcalf:

- Drove City at various times.
- Went to P.O. with Mayor Stonum On Fridays.
- Mayor Stonum and I replaced the battery in the Radar speed sign in Northumberland Drive which was not working.
- Conducted Radio Checks using channel 4 after last City meeting. Will use channel 5 tonight.
- Issued parking passes to 4511 Lunenburg Dr for 10/11/26.

Property Maintenance Commissioner Recendez:

- Sep 16 – Received an email regarding sidewalk repair proposal from Precision Safe Sidewalks.
- Sep 16 – Emailed Harold to please take care of the front entrance landscaping.
- Sep 20 – I drove around the city and picked up all the yard sale signs.
- Sep 21 – I forwarded the water company's backflow letters to Evergreen. Bianca from Evergreen received the email.
- Sep 25 – emailed Pro Trees about the work they did with the overhanging tree; the wood left on the ground was not well organized.

• Oct 12 – Harold sent me a picture of a cherry tree; a large, downed limb fell on the homeowners at 11916 Queen Anne's (tree appears to have), like carpenter ants, and likely needs to be removed. I requested a quote.

Utilities Commissioner Maupin:
9/20 Drove city for street light check. Lights out at 11907 Tazwell Dr. and 4013 Pacelli Place.

9/21 Called Lou. Water Co in regards to a bill for irrigation system. The representative said that the main entrance island and flag pole island had been turned on by unknown requester. However, both had been turned off 9/18 for non payment. I also asked about the annual backflow testing. The rep said we have it test by our contractors and they send Lou. Water Co the results. I emailed the city clerk and city accountant the message in regards to the water bill. Then, emailed Commissioner Recendez requesting that she send Evergreen the Backflow Testing letter.

Called LG&E and reported that the two street lights were out and had been reported 9/14. The rep stated parts have been on back order and would be repaired when parts are in. I told rep the light at 11907 goes out all the time and could someone please look into it.

9/29 Completed city audit questionnaire and forwarded to Bramel and Ackley.

9/30 Email from Commissioner Beville reporting a stove in front of Tazwell Townhomes. I observed later that day the stove was no longer in front of the townhomes.

10/11 Drove city for street light check.

10/20 Unable to attend city meeting due to work schedule.

Mayor Stonum Report: None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 pm with a motion by Commissioner Metcalf and seconded by Commissioner Recendez

BE SURE TO VOTE NOVEMBER 3.

Signatures:

City Clerk: _____ *Date:* _____

Mayor: _____ *Date:* _____