

**CITY OF DRUID HILLS  
COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES  
for  
MONDAY, MAY 11, 2015**

A. The monthly meeting of City Commissioners was called to order by Mayor Ben Franklin at 7:02 PM in the Family Life Center of Broadway Baptist Church, 4000 Brownsboro Road.

B. **Present:** All less Commissioner Barbour were present.

**Guests:** None

C. Minutes for the meeting held April 13, 2015 were reviewed. The following correction was requested:

Old Business, Item # 6--- Re-word last sentence to read:

“Mayor Franklin is also going to be filing a complaint about these dogs”.

Motion to accept the Commission meeting minutes as read.

Motion made by: Westfall      Seconded: Kirkwood

**D. Treasurer’s Report:**

See attached spreadsheets for detailed account balances.

1. Monthly financial reports:

The City has a total of \$ 235,739.87 in available funds---  
\$ 234,347.01 in the General Fund and \$ 1,392.86 in the  
Road Fund.

Mr. Kirchgessner advised the Commissioners that insurance tax revenues would exceed the budget by ~ \$ 3,000.00.

2. Preliminary discussion on Budget assumptions for FY 2015/2016.

Mr. Kirchgessner again reviewed the major line items in the City budget and his projections for FY 2015/2016 (see pages 5-7 of his report). There were no changes from his previous assumption presented at the March Commission meeting. He did highlight the following changes to specific budget line items made at the request of the Commissioners:

\* The 2015 property tax rate will be \$0.101 per \$ 100.00 in

value. This compares to the 2014 tax rate of \$ 0.125.

- \* Add \$ 5,000.00 to the Capital Outlay Roads line item for street sign maintenance and repair.
- \* The fee charged by the city auditor will remain \$ 3,500.00.
- \* Municipal Aid from the state will be budgeted at \$ 6,000.00.

3. Calculation of 2015 property tax rate.  
Mr. Kirchgessner showed his calculations on page 8 of his report. The rate will be \$ 0.101 per \$ 100.00 in real value.
4. Summary of April 6, 2015 KY League of Cities presentation on city finances.  
Mr. Kirchgessner distributed a power point printout of this very informative class that he recently attended.
5. First Reading of City Ordinance No. 1-2015, establishing the City of Druid Hills budget for FY 2015/2016.  
Mayor Franklin read the ordinance. Commissioner Kirkwood made a motion to approve the ordinance; Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion. They will vote on the Ordinance at the June meeting.
6. First Reading of City Ordinance No. 2-2015, establishing the City of Druid Hills tax rate for real property for FY 2015/2016.  
Mayor Franklin read the ordinance. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to approve the ordinance; Commissioner Davidson seconded the motion. They will vote on the ordinance at the June meeting.
7. Request from 5BARS for information related to revenue sharing or management of municipal assets for wireless and IT communications.  
City Clerk Westfall received a letter with this request. After review the Mayor, Treasurer, and City Attorney all agreed that the request

is not applicable to Druid Hills.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as given.

Motion made by: Kirkwood                      Seconded: Davidson

- E. City Attorney Report:** Items which require a legal opinion.  
Mayor Franklin voiced concerns about existing parking pull-offs on city streets. Most of these are not wide or deep enough to fully accommodate a vehicle. He is concerned that Louisville Paving might pave some pull-offs in error. Does the City have any jurisdiction over these?

Mr. Jobson advised that Metro ordinances do not allow parking pull-offs in some areas where they would conflict with future sidewalk installation. Druid Hills parking pull-offs however would be "grandfathered in" due to their age. Residents are responsible for these, not the City or the paving contractor.

**F. OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Status report on new City web-site.**

Commissioner Kirkwood advised that the draft site is available for review. It is designed to be very "user friendly" and can be viewed on any mobile device. It is written using "Word Press" which will be easy for us to maintain.

The Commissioners made a few suggestions about changes to the draft site.

**2. City street sign maintenance recommendations.**

Commissioner Barbour was absent so no report was available on this item.

**3. Bids for paving Druid Hills Road.**

City Clerk Westfall advised that Kerry Manning, the representative from Louisville Paving, had answered all of the questions raised by the Commissioners at the last meeting. Druid Hills Road will be paved 5/21/15 and 5/22/15 weather permitting. All residents on the road will be advised of the date and told not to park on the street on those two days.

**4. Community Yard Sale set for Saturday, 5/16/15.**

City Clerk Westfall advised that both Brownsboro Village and the City of Bellewood would be joining Druid Hills in this event this year. They will share the cost of the ad in the Courier-Journal.

**5. Spring Newsletter distributed.**

City Clerk Westfall advised that the Spring 2015 newsletter has been distributed to all residents.

**H. NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Tree removal approvals.**

The following permits were approved this month:  
Julie O'Conors--- 3927 Druid Hills Rd.

**2. Request for Plan approvals:**

Mayor Franklin advised that he had no requests this month.

**3. Community events:**

Mayor Franklin advised that the Kentucky League of Cities will host the Jefferson County PVA at their meeting Thursday, 5/14/15 @ 7:00 PM.

**4. Street lights repaired?**

Commissioner Kirkwood advised that the two street lights that were not working have been repaired by LG&E.

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**I. Next Meeting:** Monday, June 8, 2015 at Broadway Baptist Church,  
4000 Brownsboro Road.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.