

**CITY OF DRUID HILLS
COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES
For
MONDAY MAY 14, 2018**

A. The monthly meeting of City Commissioners was called to order by Mayor Ben Franklin at 7:00 PM in the Family Life Center of Broadway Baptist Church, 4000 Brownsboro Road.

B. Present: All less Commissioner Arnold and Ethics Officer Thale were present.

Guests: None

C. Minutes for the meeting held April 9, 2018 were reviewed.
The following correction was requested:

Ben Franklin did not receive a building permit from Mr. Pearson.

Motion to accept the Commission meeting minutes as corrected.

Motion made by: Gipe

Seconded: Barbour

D. Treasurer's Report:

See attached spreadsheets for detailed account balances.

1. Monthly financial reports:

The City has a total of \$239,845.43 in available funds---

\$234,138.78 in the General Fund and \$5,706.65 in the Road Fund.

Mr. Strebel reviewed revenue and expenses incurred by the City since the last Commissioner meeting.

2. Status report on 2017 property tax bills.

Mr. Strebel reported that all 2017 property tax bills have been paid.

3. First Reading of City Ordinance No. 1-2018, establishing the City of Druid Hills Budget for the 2018/2019 Fiscal Year.

Mayor Franklin read the Ordinance as presented by Mr. Strebel.

Commissioner Gipe made a motion to approve the budget ordinance as presented (see attached); Commissioner Westfall seconded. The Commissioners will vote at the June meeting.

4. First Reading of City Ordinance No. 1-2018, establishing the City of Druid Hills tax rate for real property for the 2018/2019 fiscal year.

Mayor Franklin read the Ordinance as presented by Mr. Strebel.

Commissioner Barbour made a motion to approve the tax rate of \$0.102 per \$100.0 in

property value. Commissioner Gipe seconded the motion. The Commissioners will vote at the June meeting.

5. Treasurer approval to sign Sanitation monthly checks.

Mr. Strebel requested Commission approval to sign this one monthly check to Waste Management without a second signature from Mayor Franklin or Commissioner Barbour. The Commission approved this request.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as given:

Motion made by: Barbour

Seconded: Westfall

E. City Attorney Report:

City Attorney Jobson had no report.

F. OLD BUSINESS:

1. St. Matthews Avenue/Napanee Road sign replacement.

Commissioner Barbour reported that the Napanee portion of the sign (which was recovered from the Bellewood Mayor) has been installed. The design for the St. Matthews portion of the sign has been approved and the sign is being fabricated now.

2. Annual City-wide Yard Sale.

City Clerk Westfall reported that this event is scheduled for Saturday, 5/19/18. Brownsboro Village and Bellewood will hold their sales this date also and have agreed to share the advertising expense. It will be advertised on Nextdoor.com and in the print and on-line editions of the Courier- Journal. Residents will get a flyer and email about the sale and told to expect additional traffic in our community that day.

3. Inquiry about paving Napanee Road from Chippewa Road to St. Matthews Avenue.

Mayor Franklin has been contacted about the need to pave this portion of Napanee Road. He has been asked about installing a stop sign at the corner of Chippewa and Napanee. Mr. Franklin will contact Metro to see what if anything can be done.

G. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Tree removal approvals.

* Martha Welch – 3913 Elfin Ave.

2. Request for Plan approvals:

* Pearson--- 505 Chenoweth Lane. Master bath addition Mayor Franklin is still waiting on this permit application.

3. Community events.

Mayor Franklin has been selected by LMPD as a representative from the Police Advisory Board to review bodycam video in shooting incidents.

4. Complaint about Blandford property @ 303 Chenoweth Lane.

Mayor Franklin had received a complaint about "junk" and numerous cars at the Blandford residence. Mr. Franklin has forwarded the complaint to Metro Code Enforcement.

5. 2018 General Election filing applications.

Mayor Franklin distributed filing applications to all Commissioners present. Commissioner Arnold will get his at the next meeting. Included with the applications is candidate information and filing deadlines. The Mayor and all Commissioners are up for re-election in 2018.

H. Next Meeting: Monday, June 11, 2018 at Broadway Baptist Church, 4000 Brownsboro Road.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.