

**CITY OF DRUID HILLS
COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES
For
MONDAY MARCH 9, 2020**

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

B. Present: All LESS Commissioner Thale were present.

Guests: None

C. Minutes for the meeting held February 10, 2020 were reviewed. No corrections were requested.

Motion to accept the Commission meeting minutes as read.

Motion made by: Westfall Seconded: Arnold

D. Treasurer's Report:

See attached spreadsheets for detailed account balances.

1. Monthly financial reports:

The City has a total of \$284,170.02 in available funds---
\$168,411.58 in the General Fund, \$13,882.07 in the Road Fund and \$101,876.37 in the investment Account. See expenditure/revenue details in the attached report.

2. Key expenditures in February

Mr. Strebel reported that the City paid the City Clerk's annuls dues to the Kentucky Municipal Clerks Association (\$45.00); and purchased a retirement gift for Charles Jobson (\$116.50). The City also received a refund from Greenhaven/Savatree for an overpayment of a recent invoice (\$1,100.00).

3. Status report on 2019 property tax receipts.

Mr. Strebel reported that 177 of 178 tax bills have been paid to-date. One bill remain outstanding. He will send one more notice and then turn this account over the City Attorney.

4. FY 2020/2021 budget perpetration.

Mr. Strebel presented his proposed budget for the Commission's review. One minor change reallocating funds between the City Landscaping and Tree Program was requested.

The finalized budget will have its first reading at the April Commission meeting. Second reading and approval will occur at the May meeting.

5. Suggested revision to City Ordinance No. 16, establishing the salaries for Mayor, Commissioners and Staff.

City Special Counsel Finn Cato submitted a revised ordinance which brings the existing ordinance into compliance with KRS statutes. The ordinance will now only list the salary of the Mayor and the Commissioners. It will also specify when such salaries may be changed. Mayor Barbour read the revised Ordinance. The second reading will be at the April meeting.

Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion. The Commissioners will vote on the ordinance at the next meeting.

As a final note, the numbering system for the City ordinances will be slightly changed to reflect the year in which they are approved. This revision will be numbered 2020-16, Revision #1.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as given:

Motion made by: Gipe

Seconded: Arnold

E. Special Counsel Report:

Mr. Cato wrote a second letter addressing the Vail lien and sent it to the son's correct address in Crestwood, KY. He also helped Mr. Strebel with the revision to City Ordinance 16 Revision #1.

F. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Speed humps.

Commissioner Westfall advised that he has a new bid from Hall Paving for the installation of the approved speed humps. The total cost for the project is \$13,900.00. This does not include signage for which Mayor Barbour is getting pricing.

He was asked if he had gotten a civil engineer to look at potential drainage issues --- he has not but will do so before the next meeting.

2. New Ethics Officer Search.

Mayor Barbour is still searching for someone to take this position. Tyler Sattich or Mike Gilligan were suggested as possible candidates.

3. City records.

Mayor Barbour will continue to review the City records that were stored at Mr. Jobson's office. He and the City Clerk will go through them and retain items as required by statute.

G. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Tree removal approvals.

*** Sherman Buschmeyer --- 4028 Druid Hills Rd.

Mr. Buschmeyer did not get approval from the Commission before removing a tree. The Commissioners voted to fine this resident \$100.00 for this failure. Special Counsel Cato will send a letter to this resident advising of the Commissioners' decision.

2. Request for Plan approvals:

No requests this month.

3. Community events.

The Kentucky County PVA will hold a public meeting Thursday, 3/12/20 at the St. Matthews Community Center to discuss the upcoming reassessments.

4. City officials' emails "hacked"?

Mayor Barbour advised that he received a suspicious email. He recommended that the Commissioners be aware of any unsolicited emails.

5. Commissioner resignation.

Commissioner Gipe advised that he and his family are moving. This will be his last Commission meeting. Mayor Barbour will need to appoint a resident to complete his term. He asked for anyone who is interested contact him as soon as possible.

H. Next Meeting: Monday, April 13, 2020 at Broadway Baptist Church,
4000 Brownsboro Road.

I. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.