

CITY OF DRUID HILLS
COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES
For
MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2020

- A. The monthly meeting of City Commissioners was called to order by Mayor Bruce Barbour at 7:05 PM virtually via Microsoft Meeting.
Note: Meeting was held virtually due to COVID-19 restrictions closing Broadway Baptist Church.

- B. **Present:** Commissioner Thale was absent.

Guests: Dick Smith 3924 Druid Hills Rd., Rob Duncan, 3904 Druid Hills Rd.

- C. Minutes for the meeting held November 9, 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 \$ 307,878.02 in available funds---

\$ 187,035.69 in the General Fund, \$ 17,480.83 in the Road Fund and

\$103,361.50 in the Investment Account. See expenditure/revenue details in the attached report.

2. Key transactions in June.

Mr. Strebel reported the following:

* Caroline Westfall--- mailing and tree planting reimbursements (\$110.00 & \$377.91)

* Jefferson County PVA --- tax bill preparation (\$2,299.25)

* USPS--- stamps (\$55.00)

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3. Tax bills collected to-date.

One hundred thirty-six (136) bills (of 143 total) paid through 12/14/20. Total collected \$33,302.64. Seven bills still outstanding for a total of \$1,185.96. One additional payment was received after the report was Written (~\$700.00).

4. Recommendation to renew three month CD.

Treasurer Strebel recommends renewing the current three month CD again because current interest rates are still so low. Current rate is 0.05%. He recommends that we keep renewing for the three month terms until rates increase.

Commissioner Westfall made a motion to renew the CD for the three month term; Commissioner Lloyd seconded. Motion was approved.

5. Recommendation to renew website provider.

Mr. Strebel recommended that the City renew the current website provider, GODADDY, for a three year term for \$360.00. The City recently renewed our domain name, druidhillsky.gov, for \$400.00

Commissioner Westfall made the motion to approve the renewal; Commissioner Arnold seconded. The motion was approved.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as given:

Motion made by: Arnold

Seconded: Westfall

E. Special Counsel Report:

Mr. Finn recommends that City Ordinance No. 3-2020 (Series 2020-4) be changed to standard language without specific dates. It also needs to be published as required by statute. City Clerk Westfall will publish a notification in the Courier-Journal.

F. OLD BUISNESS:

1. Speed humps.

Commissioner Westfall advised that the speed humps have been installed and striped. Signs have also been installed but are too big. They will be replaced with more appropriate sized signs.

2. Complaint about parking on Elfin Ave.

Mayor Barbour is working on this issue. The problem car is a maroon Impala which has also been parked on Druid Hills Rd. It has a Churchill Downs parking pass. Still the house-sitter for the rental on Chenoweth Lane?

3. 2020 Commissioner Election results.

Mayor Barbour advised that the Election Commission had finally ratified that election results after verifying write-in candidate votes. Current Commissioners Arnold, Thale and Westfall were re-elected. Charles Jobson was elected as the fourth Commissioner. Current Commissioner Tammy Lloyd did not run for re-election.

4. State Transportation Dept. Zoom meeting held 11/19/20 re: Chenoweth Lane improvements.

Commissioner Lloyd attended. The meeting gave details of planned changes on Chenoweth Lane from the railroad tracks to Brownsboro Rd. The state is currently obtaining R-O-W permits. They expect construction to begin in about two years. The entrances to Druid Hills will not be affected. Mayor Barbour will forward the link with this information to the Commissioners.

G. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Tree Removal approvals:

- *** Betsey J. Reinhardt--- 3914 Druid Hills Rd. Removed tree without approved permit. Has not removed stump as required. City Clerk sent reminder letter.
- *** Kyle Andrew Kulyan--- 4009 Druid Hills Rd. Removed tree without permit. Fined \$50.00. Resident has paid fine.
- *** Jackie Gibbs--- 3909 Olympic Ave. Requested tree rebate for two new trees planted. Treasurer Strebel confirmed that rebate has been paid.

2. Request for plan approvals.

None

3. Community events:

Mayor Barbour confirmed that due to COVID-19 restrictions, the City will not host its annual City officials Christmas dinner this year. Commissioner-elect Jobson advised that the KLC has sent out a packet of information to all newly elected city officials. The KLC will also host a two-day virtual seminar. He highly recommends the Commissioners attend. He will also make copies of the packet for anyone that wants it.

4. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 3-2020 (Series 2020-4), establishing the regular monthly meetings of the City Commission of the City of Druid Hills, Kentucky for the 2021 calendar year.

Mayor Barbour read the ordinance. The Commissioners voted to approve the ordinance.

5. Oath of Office/Swearing-in of newly elected Commissioners.

Mayor Barbour gave the Oath of office to all of the Commissioners except Ms. Thale who was absent from the meeting.

6. Snow removal contract.

Commissioner Westfall advised that the snow removal contract has been renewed with the current provider, Lawn Pro. The same rates from last year will apply. Prices have not increased in four years.

H. Next Meeting: Monday, January 11, 2021 at 7:00 PM. Location to be determined.

I. Meeting adjourned at 7:43 PM

