

**CITY OF DRUID HILLS
COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES
For
MONDAY, JULY 12, 2021**

A. The monthly meeting of City Commissioners was called to order by Mayor Bruce Barbour at 7:01 PM at Commissioner David Westfall's house, 401 Chenoweth Lane. The Commission cannot meet as usual due to COVID-19 restrictions closing Broadway Baptist Church.

B. Present: All Commissioners were present.

Guests:

C. Minutes for the meeting held June 14, 2021 were reviewed. No corrections were requested.

Motion to accept the Commission meeting minutes as presented.

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 \$ 272,131.25 in available funds---
\$ 260,638.75 in the General Fund, and \$ 11,492.50 in the Road Fund.
See details in the attached report.

2. Key transactions in June, 2021.

Mr. Strebel reported the following:

- * Elected and appointed officials bi-annual pay (\$4,437.00 total)
- * City Legal services (Cato) --- (\$1,250.00)
- * Public Hearing mailing --- (\$205.66)

3. City Web-site maintenance options.

Harcourt, the city's web-site creator, has proposed a new maintenance fee of \$250.00/quarter or \$1,000.00 per year. If the City does not do annual maintenance contract his hourly fee is \$100.00 per hour. There has been very little to do on the web-site so should the City commit to this

contract?

Commissioner Arnold will talk to him and see if the fee is negotiable.

4. American Rescue Plan (ARPA) COVID-19 Federal Funds.

Mayor Barbour has talked to other Mayors who are all looking for additional guidance on how these funds can be used. Special Counsel Cato has a power point presentation for distribution to the Commissioners that details some of the uses for this money. He will send it to the City Clerk who will in turn get it to the Commissioners.

5. Request from St. Matthews Fire Protection District for a portion of City's ARPA funds.

City Clerk Westfall distributed this letter. The Commissioners agreed that it was not well written. Special Counsel Cato advised that the City may be able to transfer a portion of their funds to other qualifying agencies if they desire to.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as given:

Motion made by: Westfall

Seconded: Arnold

E. Special Counsel Report:

Mr. Cato had no report

F. OLD BUSINESS:

1. LG&E street light out on Brownsboro.

Mayor Barbour reported that this light is working for now.

2. Switch LG&E street lights to LED?

Commissioner Westfall is still working on this project.

3. Purchase new City stationery.

City Clerk Westfall advised that she will use regular envelopes and labels for City mailings. It is not necessary to buy printed stationery for the few mailings that the City does.

4. JCLC reception for Mayors held 6/16/21.

Mayor Barbour reported on this event.

G. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Tree Removal approvals:

*** Frank & Sara Barlow--- 3908 Olympic Ave

2. Request for plan approvals.

*** Ben & Morgan Montgomery--- 3906 Druid Hills Rd. (dormer addition)

*** James Todd Scott--- 3920 Druid Hills Rd. (rear addition)

3. Community events:

None reported.

4. Ethics Officer resignation.

Evan Hancock has resigned. He is moving out of the City. Mayor Barbour will look for a new Ethics Officer--- perhaps Tammy Lloyd?

5. Sanitation contract will expire in 2022.

Mr. Strebel reminded the Commissioners that our current contract with Waste Management will expire 6/30/22. We need to begin thinking about bid preparations.

Also, several residents have requested bigger recycling containers.

H. Next Meeting: Monday, August 9, 2021 at 7:00 PM. Location to be determined.

I. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM