

CITY OF DRUID HILLS
COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES
For
MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2022

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

B. Present: All except City Ethics Officer Watts were present.

Guests: Metro Louisville District 9 Candidate Andrew Owen
Andy Reynolds, City representative from Waste Management Inc.

C. Minutes for the meeting held February 14, 2022 were reviewed.
No corrections were requested.

Motion to accept the Commission meeting minutes as submitted.

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\$ 343,425.56 in available funds---
\$ 291,704.61 in the General Fund, and\$ 51,720.95 in the Road Fund.
See details in the attached report.

2. Key transactions through February, 2022.

- *** Tree Rebate Program (\$100.00)
- *** Zoom Subscription (\$158.89)
- *** Auditor--- 1099's (\$105.00) and annual audit (\$4,700.00)
- *** Savatree--- pruning on Elfin Ave. (\$1825.00)
- *** Acrobat Pro Software--- (\$190.67)

3. 2021 property tax bills.

Mr. Strebel advised that only one bill remains outstanding. Mr. Strebel Sent three letters to this resident with no response. He has requested that Special Counsel Cato write a letter advising that a lien wi11 be placed on the

Property. Commissioner Arnold volunteered to talk to the resident first to see if he can get him to pay his tax bill.

4. Begin preparation of FY 2022/2023 City Budget.

Mr. Strebel presented a draft budget for the Commissioners review and comment (see attachment to Treasurer's Report).

Mr. Strebel advised that the City will receive another \$35,000.00 (the second part of our ARPA funds) in 2023/2024. We may possibly need to amend the budget when the funds are received.

Discussion followed about how/if the City should use these funds. Restrictions/requirements on use of these monies have changed.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as given:

Motion made by: Jobson Seconded: Arnold

E. Special Counsel Report:

Mr. Cato advised that the City needed to approve a resolution for a \$10M standard revenue loss allowance for the ARPA funds. Commissioner Arnold made the motion to approve the resolution; Commissioner Westfall seconded it. The Commissioners approved the motion.

Commissioner Jobson will contact KLC or JCLC for more information on how ARPA funds can be used. Mr. Cato also reminded the Commissioners that KIPDA can manage these funds for a fee and make sure that all reports and forms are filed on time.

F. OLD BUSINESS:

1. New Commissioner given Oath of Office.

Mayor Barbour gave the oath of office to new Commissioner Tammy Lloyd. She will complete Cary Thale's term. Ms. Thale recently resigned.

2. Bid preparations for 2022 new sanitation contract.

Mayor Barbour introduced Andy Reynolds of Waste Management. Mr. Reynolds answered questions from the Commissioners about WMI's recent service. Changes to pick-ups (recycling every other week; regular trash and yard waste every week) will continue.

WMI is agreeable to extending the current contract at the same cost for another year. The Commissioners are also interested in extending the contract but are insistent that WMI immediately supply larger recycling containers. The City has been waiting on these containers for months. Mr. Reynolds assured the Commissioners that Druid Hills was near the top of the list to receive these containers. WMI is at the mercy of their own suppliers and have not gotten enough units from them.

Special Counsel Cato advised that the City can renew this contract with the same terms but only for one year. After that, Druid Hills will need to re-bid the contract.

Commissioner Arnold made a motion to extend the sanitation contract with WMI for one more year through June, 2023. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Elfin Ave.

Counsel Cato will work with Mr. Reynolds on contract extension/renewal language.

Mr. Reynolds advised that there will not be any fuel surcharge even with the recent increase in gas/diesel prices. All of the WMI trucks use natural gas that they generate themselves.

3. Status of MSD drainage grate repair @ 3933 Elfin Ave.

This repair may have been done.

4. Metro Louisville Council District 9 candidate Andrew Owen.

Mr. Owen introduced himself to the Mayor and Commissioners and asked for their support in his campaign for District 9 Councilman. He also explained his position on several issues facing Louisville.

G. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Tree Removal approvals:

No requests this month.

2. Request for plan approvals.

No requests this month.

3. Community events.

No events this month.

4. Set date for annual City yard sale.

The annual Yard Sale will be held on Saturday, 5/21/22 rain or shine. City Clerk Westfall will contact Bellewood and Brownsboro Village to see if they want to join with us again for this event.

5. Deadline to file for November elections is 6/07/22.

City Clerk Westfall distributed forms to Mayor Barbour and the Commissioners. Mr. Barbour asked that she also let the residents know about the deadline in case anyone else might be interested in running for office.

6. Mayor Barbour received "phishing" emails.

Mayor Barbour advised that he has been receiving emails asking for his personal information. He warned the Commissioners that they may get such emails too.

H. Next Meeting: Monday, March 14, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. at

Broadway Baptist Church Family Life Center, 4000 Brownsboro Road.

I. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM