

**CITY OF DRUID HILLS
COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES
For
MONDAY, MAY 9, 2022**

A. The monthly meeting of City Commissioners was called to order by Mayor Bruce Barbour at 7:04 P. M. at Broadway Baptist Church Family Life Center, 4000 Brownsboro Road.

B. Present: All except City Commissioner Lloyd were present.

Guests: None

C. Minutes for the meeting held April 11, 2022 were reviewed. No corrections were requested.

Motion to accept the Commission meeting minutes as submitted.

Motion made by: Arnold Seconded: Westfall

D. Treasurer's Report:

See attached spreadsheets for detailed account balances.

1. Monthly financial reports:

The City has a total of\$ 340,424.72 in available funds---
\$ 287,152.91 in the General Fund, and\$ 53,271.81* in the Road Fund.

*Includes \$36,029.54 of Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

See details in the attached report.

2. Key transactions through March, 2022.

*** Municipal Aid was paid twice. May payment will be lower.

*** Kentucky League of Cities dues (\$550.00)

3. Local Fiscal Recovery Funds required reporting completed 4/24/22.

4. First Reading of City of Druid Hills Ordinance No. 2022-1, Establishing the City of Druid Hills budget for the 2022/2023 Fiscal Year.

Mayor Barbour read the Ordinance; Commissioner Jobson made the motion to approve the ordinance as read. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion. The vote will be taken after the second reading at the June meeting.

5. First Reading of City of Druid Hills Ordinance No. 2022-2, establishing the City of Druid Hills tax rate for real property for the 2022/2023 Fiscal year.

Mayor Barbour read the Ordinance; Commissioner Westfall made the motion to approve the ordinance as read. Commissioner Arnold seconded the motion. The vote will be taken after the second reading at the June meeting.

6. First Reading of Amendment No. 1, to City of Druid Hills Ordinance No. 2021-1, establishing the 2021/2022 budget.

This amendment was proposed by City Special Counsel Cato to accept the Local Fiscal Recovery monies from the Federal Government. KIPDA advises that it is a Federal Government requirement to do a budget amendment.

City Treasurer Strebel advised that the City Auditor, Mr. Veeneman, does not think that this amendment to the current City budget ordinance is needed. Excess income does not require an amendment to budget to accept it. If so, then any time the City received more income from any source than specified in the budget, an amendment would be needed. If we did this amendment then a precedent would be set and any future excess income would require an amendment.

Mr. Cato recommended that the amendment be tabled until more information is available.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as given:

Motion made by: Arnold

Seconded: Jobson

E. Special Counsel Report:

Mr. Cato had no report other than what has already been discussed in the Treasurer's Report.

F. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Annual City yard sale held 5/21/22.

City Clerk Westfall reported that this event was held without incident.

2. Candidate filing deadline Tuesday 6/07/22 @ 4:00.

City Clerk Westfall reminded the Mayor and Commissioners of the filing deadline for the November elections.

3. Waste Management.

Waste Management had advised Mayor Barbour that the larger recycling bins will be distributed soon. They will let him know when they will be delivered.

G. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Tree Removal approvals:

* Todd Loehnert--- 3936 Druid Hills Rd.

* Tree Rebate application--- Carrie Silvers, 353 Chenoweth Lane

2. Request for plan approvals.

No requests this month.

3. Community events.

No events this month.

4. Annual Code of Ethics Pledge and Statement of Financial Interest.

City Clerk passed these forms out to everyone to complete.

5. Jack Kirchgessner memorial.

City Clerk Westfall requested approval to make a memorial contribution in honor of previous City Treasurer Jack Kirchgessner who recently passed away. Commissioner Arnold made a motion to contribute \$200.00 to a charity chosen by his family. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion. Ms. Westfall will contact the family to find out which charity they would like the contribution to go to.

Discussion followed about the possibility of making the MSD easement on Druid Hills Road into a passive park. It would require contacting both adjacent property owners and getting them to donate their portion of the easement back to the City. The park could be a memorial to Ben Franklin.

H. Next Meeting: Monday, June 13, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. at Broadway Baptist Church Family Life Center, 4000 Brownsboro Road.

I. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM