

**Minutes for the City of Worthington Hills**  
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**Date:** August 19, 2025

**Present:** Robert Stonum                      Dennis Metcalf                      Cristina Recendez                      Susan Maupin  
                    Dan Small                      Bev Lush

**Citizens Present:** 2

**Derby City Protection:** 0

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Stonum with motion by Commissioner Metcalf and seconded by Commissioner Recendez. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States was recited; followed by a moment of silent prayer.

The Mayor, Commissioners, and City Clerk introduced themselves to our visitors.

**Minutes:** The July 2025 minutes were brought up for approval. Motion was made by Commissioner Maupin to approve the minutes and seconded by Commissioner Metcalf. Vote was unanimous.

**Financial Report:** The July 2025 Financials had been distributed to the Commission for review and posted on COWH website prior to the City Meeting. Motion to approve was made by Commissioner Recendez and seconded by Commissioner Metcalf. Vote was unanimous

**Expense Review:** The cover sheet of August invoices along with invoice copies were passed around for Commissioners to review and initial. No approval motion was needed since Commissioners had already initialed and approved

**Legal**

- Audit – Mayor Stonum explained the statute amendment and how it resulted in no changes for COWH. Motion to continue as expected with an audit and to advise Ms. Huhn was made by Mayor Stonum and seconded by Commissioner Metcalf. Vote was unanimous.
- Down tree limbs update – Commissioner Recendez sent quote to Attorney DeWees. She has heard no reply from Harold Hall with quote. She met with Pro Trees LLC on Saturday to explain the issue. She has 2 quotes from them. The first one is just for the 2 downed tree limbs at \$1,900. The second quote is for the complete tree removal at \$3,150, which has grown behind the fence of 11018 Lunenburg Court's property, and is overhanging COWH's public access easement. Attorney DeWess has mailed a letter to homeowner and waiting to see if they agree to pay ½ of \$3,150. Motion to proceed with scheduling the 2 downed tree limbs removal, but if the property owner agrees to share in the cost of the tree removal, prior to the tree limbs removal service date, then the tree removal will be scheduled was made by Commissioner Recendez and seconded by Mayor Stonum. Vote was unanimous. If owner doesn't respond or agree to pay ½ of the tree removal, COWH will only pay for the removal of the 2 downed tree limbs, which are on and overhanging COWH property.
- Commissioner Metcalf advised that due to legal with COWH and Derby City, LMPD ordered Derby City to drop our contract on August 31, 2025 due to the story in **The Courier Journal**. Mayor Stonum said we will approach City of Meadowvale officers.

**Old Business:**

- New laptop – Per City Clerk Lush, all is working well.
- Banking/CD's – 3 month CD's
  - o Non-restricted funds - \$500,000 at 4.1%; annual 4.18%

- *Restricted Funds - \$250,000 at 4.1%; annual 4.18%*
- *Top tier rates*
- *When the 3 months are up, COWH will have 10 days to decide how to move forward*
- *No changes on Bike to Beat Cancer or Welcoming Committee situations.*
- *Commissioner Metcalf advised we will be using Channel 7 tonight for radio check.*

**New Business:**

- *Even though Commissioner Beville was not in attendance at the meeting, she had asked Mayor Stonum to bring up the issue of our Website Page. Included in our Welcome Statement, is the wording "Non-sanctuary city". She is suggesting that this wording be removed. Commissioner Maupin suggested that this discussion be tabled until Commissioner Beville is in attendance at the next meeting.*

**Commissioner Reports:**

**Property Maintenance Commissioner Recendez:**

- *On July 18th, I was informed by Mayor Stonum that the cherry tree needed to be removed after a last-minute inspection revealed its poor condition. In response, I emailed Harold to notify the tree service about this decision.*
- *On July 25th, I received a complaint about overgrown grass in the backyard. I emailed the homeowner to address the issue.*
- *On August 9th, I received a voicemail about the Pacelli Place sidewalks and informed the resident that the city of Louisville handles such issues.*
- *On August 15th, I asked Harold for a copy of the previous quote on the mulberry tree in the backyard at Lunenburg Ct. I also reached out to another tree service company for a last-minute quote.*
- *On August 16th, I met with the new tree company tech for an estimate on the mulberry tree on Lunenburg Ct. I asked Mayor Stonum to be present to help explain the tree situation.*
- *On August 18th, I received the new quote for the mulberry tree and forwarded it to the city attorney for the homeowners to review.*
- *I drove around the city to check the landscaping islands, which looked good. Harold's tree service guys did a great job removing the Locust tree, the hackberry limb, and the Cherry tree in the green space.*

**Safety Commissioner Metcalf:**

- *Drove the city at various times.*
- *Went to P,O, with Mayor Stonum each Friday and on Tuesday 8/19/25.*
- *Conducted radio checks after last City meeting using channel 6. will use channel 7 tonight 8/19/25.*
- *Went to storage area on one occasion with Mayor Stonum.*
- *Went to Dan Small's office on 8/15/25 to get checks signed.*
- *Issued a parking permit on Bay Run Dr.*
- *Issued a parking permit to 11900 Heathville Ct, ( Death in Family)*

**Road Commissioner Beville: Presented by Commissioner Maupin**

- *7/20/2025 – Began working on the Kentucky Department of Transportation Municipal Road Assistance application. This is a request for assistance with the repaving and installation of speed humps at 4502-4729 Lunenburg Drive. The application is in-depth, requiring details such as the latitude and longitude of the street and photos.*
- *7/25/2025 – Using the online archives, I reviewed the minutes of commission meetings going back to 2005 to find any history of paving or road repairs on Lunenburg Drive. Although there was mention of repairs on city streets, there was no mention of the streets by name or specific dates. I corresponded with other current and former commission members and the only additional information I got was about the alligator patching which most estimated began in early 2000 and continued into 2019-20.*
- *8/9/2025 – Received a voice mail about a property issue from a homeowner on Pacelli Place which I forwarded to Commissioner Recendez.*

- 8/12/2025 – Contacted All Terrain Paving, Flynn Brothers Paving, and Derby City Paving to request a bid on repaving and installing speed humps on Lunenburg Drive. I asked for a quote for painting and using thermoplastic on the speed humps.
- 8/13/2025 – Reviewed the minutes from the July commission meeting and replied to the Clerk's email.
- 8/18/2025 – Talked to All Terrain Paving and Derby City to check on status of bids, they are still in process of preparing them.
- 8/19/2025 – Reviewed updated financial reports for tonight's meeting.

**Utilities Commissioner Maupin:**

- 7-21-25 - Voicemail from resident at 12017 Bay Run Drive. He stated the trash and recycle pickup was unsatisfactory. That Eco Tech was doing a very poor job. Only unloading half of the recycling. That if it couldn't be resolved, he will leave cans at the street and you will have to pick up.
- 7-23-25 – I called resident at 12017 Bay Run Drive and left a message.
- 8-4-25 – Voicemail from resident at 12017 Bay Run Drive. He stated that Eco Tech did it again. He said they left recycling in the can, and it's all over the street. His neighbor across the street has garbage all over the road.
- 8-4-25 – Drove city for streetlight check.
- 8-5-25 – Returned call to resident at 12017 Bay Run Drive. I assured him that I would report and address his complaints with Eco Tech. I explained why the city chose to go with Eco Tech and why recycling has switched to every other week. I told him that I would call him back after speaking with Eco Tech. I called Eco Tech and spoke with our account manager Connor. I told him the complaints our city residents have. He stated that Eco Tech wants the city to be happy with our trash service. He will speak with the drivers and Operations Manager about these complaints.
- 8-5-25 – Email from a resident stating she noticed an abundance amount of recyclables strewn all over the street. I emailed the resident and stated that I had reported her concerns and complaints to the account manager at Eco Tech.
- 8-15-25 – Drove city for streetlight check.
- 8-19-25 – Read August emails. Attending city meeting. Will participate in radio check.

**In Addition:** *There was discussion over issues with Eco Tech re: recycle bins not fully being emptied and residents still putting out yard waste/recycle each week. We have received complaints of garbage being spilt into the streets each week.*

**Mayor Stonum Report:**

- None

*The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm with a motion by Commissioner Metcalf and seconded by Commissioner Maupin.*

**Signatures:**

**City Clerk:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mayor:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_