

Minutes for the City of Worthington Hills  
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**Date:** February 19, 2019

**Present:** Robert Stonum                      Dennis Metcalf                      Carol Campbell                      Dan Small  
                 Steve Schwager                      Linda Beville                      Dawn Eichenberger                      Bev Lush

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by Mayor Stonum with a motion from Commissioner Beville and seconded by Commissioner Campbell. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States was recited, followed by a moment of silent prayer.

**Citizens Participation:** There were 8 citizens present.

**Girl Scouts Troop #23** lead by Troop Leader- Kerrie Morris. This troop is working to earn their Bronze Award by doing a community project. They made a presentation outlining painting house numbers on the "curb" area in front of each house in our city by the end of Spring 2019. The Commissioners will make the final decision at the March meeting.

**Welenken CPA's:** This CPA firm was represented by Roy Hoagland and Mary Meur. They presented the overview letter and highlights of the 2015 Audit for COWH. A motion was made by Commissioner Campbell and seconded by Commissioner Eichenberger to accept. Voting was unanimous. Motion was made by Commissioner Beville and seconded by Commissioner Eichenberger to move forward on 2016 Audit. Vote was unanimous. It was noted that due to recent regulation changes, audits will be needed for 2016 and 2017. 2018 will only require financial statements and 2019 will require an audit.

**Minutes for Special Meeting – January 21, 2019.** Minutes had been posted on City's website for Commissioners to review. Commissioner Beville made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Commissioner Eichenberger. Vote was unanimous.

**Minutes for January 15, 2019:** Minutes had been posted on City's website for Commissioners to review. Commissioner Campbell made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Commissioner Eichenberger. Vote was unanimous.

**Financial Report:** The Treasurer, Dan Small, read the financial report for the January, 2018-2019 Fiscal Year. A couple questions were asked and answered. Motion to approve was made by Commissioner Eichenberger and seconded by Commissioner Campbell. Vote was unanimous

**February Expense Review** was passed to each Commissioner for review and initial. Motion to approve was made by Commissioner Campbell and seconded by Commissioner Eichenberger. Vote was unanimous to pay these invoices.

**Presentation by City Attorney Steve Schwager:**

Read Ordinance #1 – Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2019-2020. Motion to approve the ordinance with corrections was made by Commissioner Beville and seconded by Commissioner Eichenberger. Vote was unanimous.

1st Read of Amended 2018-2019 Budget – Mayor Stonum explained the necessary line item adjustments needed, since revenues received from the settlement with Waste Management and litigation fees need to be properly noted. The city also need to expense for 20+ trees needing to be removed including stump removal - Quote of \$29,000. Derby City Protection – as of January 2019, City has paid \$20,240, but we need an additional \$9,000 to cover the rest of Fiscal Year 2018-2019.

2<sup>nd</sup> Read of Amended Budget will be in March. Mayor Stonum wants to get this approved budget in place in a timely manner. After the 2<sup>nd</sup> Read, Attorney Schwager can be paid.

1st Read of 2019-2020 Budget by Mayor Stonum

Attorney Schwager read the Security Services Agreement noting change by METRO allowing off-duty officers to use METRO cars and wear METRO uniforms while working in COWH. Motion to accept Security Services Agreement with changes was made by Commissioner Campbell and seconded by Commissioner Eichenberger. Vote was unanimous.

Curfew – it was noted that COWH doesn't need to adopt it's own Curfew Ordinance since Metro Louisville has a curfew in place that also needs to be enforced in COWH:

Sunday – Thursday – 11 PM

Friday and Saturday – 1:00 AM

311 was called on 1 wrongly parked vehicle. It was acted upon in 2 days. While in City, 311 also wrote other tickets on other infractions.

Security is watching illegal activities in our city. Probation Officers lack support from Judges to enforce the Judges' probation requirements. For example: People arrested, taken downtown, charges dismissed. Charges are esponded once a juvenile turns 18. Our security did their job – then ball was dropped in the court system. Drug Activity/Curfew, 1<sup>st</sup> offense – parents will be notified. 2<sup>nd</sup> offense – warning to parents and child. 3<sup>rd</sup> offense – citation for both juvenile and parents.

Blighted properties – COWH can impose the higher tax rate of up to \$150.00/\$100,000.00 of property value. Will report on this next month.

Rental properties – Covington has a great ordinance. Right to inspect after notice. Number of occupants based on square footage. COWH is single-family dwellings only per deed restrictions. Violation must be proved. Attorney Schwager will have rental proposal next month. COWH wants rental registration. How would the City know which properties are rentals?

Property Foreclosure – Attorney Schwager will research for next month.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

Discussed new possible meeting locations. Also suggesting that we have an extra monthly meeting every month that has 5 Saturdays so as to be available to those citizens who can't make it on Tuesday evenings.

Mentioned April as Beautification Month

Update on storage unit – all items are moved. Clerk and Commissioners need to plan a date in warmer weather to meet at the unit and organize the files.

Our Bond Insurance through Great American was effective February 1, 2019 with coverage of \$750,000.

Mayor Stonum needs Commission approval to check with KLCIS regarding "General Liability Insurance". Motion was made by Commissioner Beville and seconded by Commissioner Campbell. Vote was unanimous.

#### **New Business:**

iContacts – Mayor Stonum has worked with iContacts to get access to the stored contacts. This will help in sending newsletters, etc to all listed citizens. City Clerk is waiting for email from iContacts with password. Once we get these contacts, we can cancel agreements with iContacts.

Sophicity invoices are due on the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. Right now when the Commissioners approve the monthly expenses, we are very close to being past that date. A motion to pre-approve their invoice each month in order to pay timely was made by Commissioner Campbell and seconded by Commissioner Beville. Vote was unanimous.

Commissioner Beville had a question about late night phone calls. She is concerned that when she returns these calls, the receiver will then have her cell number. It was noted that she can dial \*67 prior to dialing the phone number and her cell number will be blocked.

Discussion of moving Post Office Box from Lyndon (14 miles) to Pewee Valley (3 miles).

iContacts needs new credit card from COWH. Motion to provide credit card number to iContacts was made by Commissioner Eichenberger and seconded by Commissioner Beville. Vote was unanimous.

Concerns over COWH's Facebook page were discussed. It was noted that any postings to the Facebook account needs former Mayor Sea's approval.

#### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS:**

**Road Maintenance:** Commissioner Campbell said that due to inclement weather, the following services were provided by Greenco:

1-19-19 Magic salt applied to roadways around midnight

1-30-19 Roadways were plowed between 4:30 and 7:30 AM. Magic salt applied after plowing

2-1-19 Magic salt applied at approximately 4:30 AM.

In driving through the city, Commissioner Campbell noticed at least 2 street signs that have deteriorated – Pulaski Court and Rustburg Place. Commissioner Campbell will do a complete survey of all intersections, etc to check for any other signs that need to be replaced. Mayor Stonum suggested that Commissioner Campbell contact Saf-T-Co about new street signs.

**Utilities:** Commissioner Beville contacted LG&E about street lights not working at the following locations: 4402 Bay Run Court, Intersection of Pulaski and Lunenburg, and 4218 Pacelli Place.

Commissioners Beville and Metcalf met with Jim Pierson, an LG&E Outdoor Lighting Representative, on February 4<sup>th</sup> to discuss installing street lights in the following locations: Queen Anne's Court, Boydton Court, Luray Court, and Heathsville Court. These courts have a single street light at the entrance and the remainder of the street is without lighting. Both Commissioners Metcalf and Beville are concerned that the homes and yards are not easily visible from the main thoroughfare at night and could be areas of illegal activity and/or vandalism. Mr. Pierson is working on a plan to add additional lighting and Commissioner Beville is also researching the possibility of applying for grant money to help cover the cost of the additional lighting. Commissioner Beville contacted the Louisville Water Company three times, without success, to find out what project they have underway along Bay Run Drive , Arwine and Maxwell. After contacting BUD, she learned the water company is raising the key tube (water pipes) along this stretch of the subdivision. The initial call from the Water Company was on January 31st, but she has not been able to find out an estimated completion date because Louisville Water continues to say they have no record of any work being done in these locations.

**Safety:** *Commissioner Metcalf*

- 1) Drove city on multiple occasions.
- 2) Issued one parking permit.
- 3) Mayor Stonum and Commissioner Metcalf met with Tate Mason from Derby City Protection.
- 4) Commissioners Beville and Metcalf met with LG&E about adding street lights to some of our streets.
- 5) Checked on Bay Run Dr. after receiving a call from Commissioner Beville to see if Commissioner Metcalf could determine which company was using a jackhammer around midnight the previous night.

*Derby City Activity Report for the City of Worthington Hills  
December 19th - January 15th*

- !) Parking Citation/Warning 10
- 2) Theft Deterrent 11
- 3) Dispatched Run 3
- 4) Traffic Stop 18
- 5) Suspicious Vehicle 3
- 6) Pedestrian Stop 3
- 7) Safety Checks 2
- 8) IPL Cases Opened 4
- 9) Criminal Citation 4

**Property:** *Commissioner Eichenberger and Mayor Stonum met on "new" Pulaski Court regarding property owner asking to purchase easement. Attorney Schwager will check on 15 years of encroachment if maintained (Dedicated Easement). Found possible fence violation.*

*Citizens Participation : Fence on Chesterfield leaning on house. It was suggested that 311 be notified.*

*The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 PM by Mayor Stonum. Motion made by Commissioner Beville and seconded by Commissioner Campbell. Vote was unanimous.*

*Sign:*

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

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