

**Minutes for the City of Worthington Hills**  
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**Date:** September 17, 2024

**Present:** Robert Stonum                      Dennis Metcalf                      Susan Maupin                      Crystal Adams  
Linda Beville                      Dan Small                      Bev Lush

**Citizens Present:** 2

**Derby City Protection:** 0

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

**Citizens' Concerns:** None

**Minutes:** The July 2024 minutes were brought up for approval. Motion was made by Commissioner Beville to approve the minutes and seconded by Commissioner Adams. Vote was unanimous.

**Minutes:** The August 2024 minutes were brought up for approval. Motion was made by Commissioner Adams to approve the minutes and seconded by Commissioner Maupin. Vote was unanimous.

**Financial Report:** The September 2024 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 Adams and seconded by Commissioner Maupin. Need to add Nextiva invoice. Vote was unanimous

**Expense Review:** The cover sheet of September 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:**

- None

**Old Business:**

- Tree Removal Update. Commissioner Adams handed out an email
  - o Hackberry taken care of
  - o Downed locust and cherry – taken care of.
  - o No invoices yet. Maximus told Commissioner Adams that those charges would be included in his September invoice.
  - o Will get estimate for front island to remove pear trees.
  - o 6 more dead locust trees need to be removed. This should cost \$4200.00.
- Fiscal 2024 City Audit – Mayor Stonum and Treasurer Small have been answering inquiries. In final stages - soon to be spot-checking. Then summary will be created.
- Commissioner Metcalf advised that the new speed sign was installed at the flagpole. Harold Hall worked along with Mayor Stonum on this project. 1 more needs to be installed.
- Commissioner Beville asked about ordering traffic signs. \$1025 from My Signs vs. over \$3000 from Sign-O-Rama. She has a catalog to look at. Needs to add 1 radar sign. There are 4 signs on a post on Middlesex. Mayor Stonum advised that he had a couple posts if needed. We need 4 “cross traffic does not stop”. That totals 19 signs. Discussion on types of signs and locations. Will finalize sign decision at October meeting.
- Welcome Committee – still no interest
- Commissioner Metcalf advised radio check will be on channel 12 tonight.

## **New Business:**

- *Discussion on snow and ice removal. Contract would be dated November 1, 2024 through October 31, 2025. Commissioner Beville would like a more time to do more research. So far she has 3 Magic Salt bids:*
  - o *\$2,360*
  - o *\$3,900*
  - o *\$4,100*
- She also has 3 bids on Snow Plow work:*
  - o *\$750 flat rate*
  - o *\$135/hour \**
  - o *\$175/hour \**
  - o *\* Not our preferred method of pricing*
- Back in 2014 with severe weather, COWH paid \$82,000 using an hourly rate. Then moved to flat rate. Mayor Stonum attended a class on snow and ice removal. This subject has been tabled for next meeting.*
- *Commissioner Beville has done speed hump research. It is OK to place speed humps close to fire hydrants. She has noticed speed humps need re-marking especially the ones on Bay Run. She prefers re-doing the Bay Run speed humps with the thermoplastic as opposed to spending money elsewhere. It seems painting is a better decision as opposed to new speed humps. Motion was made to go ahead and schedule Bay Run's speed humps by Mayor Stonum and seconded by Commissioner Adams. Vote was unanimous.*
- *Mayor Stonum told of the ATV's, mopeds and little motorcycles issue in the city. Commissioner Adams said they are behind her house in the green space. Mayor Stonum checked on some when sighted on Northumberland. 4 wheeler, 2 kids, 1 was under 6. They pulled over at Middlesex and Bristol Bay. Spoke with the mother and advised that ATV's are not street legal. She understood. Going forward, watch for ATV's, etc and advise Mayor Stonum or Commissioner Metcalf.*
- *Derby City Security, Mayor Stonum and Commissioner Metcalf had lunch. Following items were discussed:*
  - o *Drivers seem to have no regard for stop signs, etc. There is a list on back of agenda.*
  - o *Asked about bi-weekly patrols during daytime hours during school bus time.*
  - o *Mayor Stonum prefers no more Warnings – Tickets! Tate Mason advised that when they write a ticket, there are 3 forms that need to be completed each time. Very time consuming.*
- *Commissioner Beville reminded us of the gas line explosion in Texas.*
- *Truehold mailer – This company sent a mailing to some COWH property owners offering to buy their property and lease it back. Mayor Stonum has sent a few emails regarding this issue and awaiting reply.*
- *Commissioner Maupin told us she has received a few "SPAM" emails from Mayor Stonum so be careful when checking emails. Mayor Stonum will contact VC3.*
- *Halloween Hours – it was decided they would be 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm.*
- *Job Duties - Some discussion with Mayor Stonum and Commissioner Beville on everyone producing a "Job Duty Listing". This will be very helpful when positions are filled by new people. Be sure to include contacts at companies that we use on a regular basis. Email this listing to Mayor Stonum and City Clerk Lush prior to December city meeting. There was some discussion. Commissioner Adams suggested adding each department to the website.*

## **Commissioner Reports:**

### **Utilities Commissioner Maupin:**

8/29 Received email from Mayor Stonum requesting that I contact LG&E to Report a device zipped tied to a street light pole at 4524 Pulaski CT. He asked that it be removed, investigated, and appropriate action be taken.

8/30 I reported the device on street light pole at 4524 Pulaski CT. to LG&E. I requested that it be removed and investigated. According to the LG&E rep. permission must be granted to attach anything to a street light pole. The residents at this address did not contact LG&E. A work order was put in.

9/4 Received a phone call from Commissioner Beville reporting that Rumpke did not place Treis Condos dumpsters back in their places. The dumpsters were blocking parking spaces at 11907 Tazwell Dr. Residents were unable to park in their assigned spaces. I emailed Christopher Pierce with Rumpke asking that the dumpsters be moved immediately. I also asked if our Residents trash cans could be placed to the side on the driveway, as opposed to the center. I stated that we had received complaints. Christopher Pierce replied and said that he would let his Route manager know to speak to the drivers.

9/4 Received a call from Mayor Stonum reporting a pile of mattresses at 11912 Queen Anne CT. He ask if I could make Christopher Pierce with Rumpke aware.

9/5 I emailed Christopher Pierce reporting the mattresses at 11912 Queen Anne CT. I asked if all mattresses could be picked up the next trash day. I informed him that the Residents had not requested for a large item pickup. I had inquired with customer service prior to the email. He replied stating that he would see what he could do.

9/7 Drove city for street light check.

9/7 No mattresses at 11912 Queen Anne CT.

9/9 Received email from Mayor Stonum reporting the device on street light at 4524 Pulaski CT. had been removed.

9/10 Received email and voice-mail from Commissioner Beville reporting that the Dumpster at 11907 Tazwell Dr. had not been moved back in it's place.

9/11 Christopher Pierce emailed stating that tree branches were interfering with the dumpsters not be put in their places. He ask if the City or Treis Condos could have the trees trimmed?

9/14 I spoke to Mayor Stonum by phone in regards to the tree limbs at Treis Condos. He would advise in the next couple of days.

9/15 Commissioner Adams emailed reporting the street light at 12004 Luray CT. is not turning off.

9/15 Received phone call from Mayor Stonum. He stated that Treis Condos will be having the trees trimmed by LG&E due to the power lines nearby.

9/15 Drove city for street light check.

9/17 Emailed Christopher Pierce informing him that Treis Condos will be trimming the trees at Treis Condos. No date had been given as to when. I would follow-up with him.

9/17 Attended City meeting.

9/17 Read September emails.

9/17 Will participate in radio check with Commissioner Metcalf

***Property Maintenance Commissioner Adams:***

- Will participate in the radio checks with Commissioner Metcalf and everyone tonight – Sept. 17th.
- There was just one citizen concern this month. It was regarding some properties near where the citizen lived that had tall grass. Spoke with the citizen over the phone and educated her on Metro Code Enforcement and calling 311 for any city issues that have to do with tall grass. I offered to call 311 for her and report the offending properties but she said she would get the addresses and call on them herself.
- Drove around the city on several occasions to check on the status of plants on the landscaping islands. The new plants that COWH planted this year and last year are doing okay.
- Emailed Maximus Lawncare that the Commission approved no more than \$7,500 of tree work to be done in the coming month and to allow his tree guy to take care of some of our tree issues but not go over budget.
- Also emailed Maximus Lawncare to ask his tree guy to get us an estimate of cutting down the trees on the front island. This estimate is still pending.
- Spoke with Harold of Maximus Lawncare to see what tree work had gotten done since the last meeting because I didn't see anything on the August invoice about it. Harold stated that the tree work was done in September and would be on the next bill. The broken tree branches behind Luray Ct. were taken out. The cherry tree behind Micklenburg was cut down and the stump ground out. The fallen locust tree in the Lunenburg holding pond area was cut up and its stump was ground out. The tree guy was able to turn all this into mulch and left us two very large piles of mulch behind Luray Ct. that Harold will spread throughout the fall season.
- Reported to Commissioner Maupin that the streetlight at the end of Luray Ct. had malfunctioned and was in a constant on state during the day on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Maupin emailed me back that she reported it.

***Road Commissioner Beville:***

- 8/21/2024 - I spoke with Major Hansen at the Middletown/Anchorage/Worthington Hills Fire Department this morning about restrictions on installing a speed bump near or next to a fire hydrant. He told me he was not aware of any such restrictions. I also checked the Louisville Metro Ordinance 94 (Fire Prevention) and found no restrictions in regard to speed bumps. I also spoke with Evan Myers at All Terrain which has done many paving projects throughout the COWH as well as the county and he said, to his knowledge, there are no restrictions.
- 8/22/2024 – Did additional research on the cost of traffic signs for the COWH.
- 9/07/2024 – Reached out via email to the following companies and requested an estimate for the COWH snow and ice removal November 1, 2024 – October 31, 2025 : MowBetter Minor and Company Goodman
- 9/9/2024 – Received a voice mail from a resident named Constance who lives on Pacelli Place. She wanted to know who was responsible for repairing the sidewalks in front of her townhouse. I referred her to Mrs. Suzanne Walser the property owner. She said the units are now owned by TCB Property Management. I passed this information on to Mayor Stonum.
- For purposes of clarification – Although I spoke with Commissioner Maupin during the month about the dumpsters not being placed on the concrete pad at 11905 Tazwell and also contacted Chris Pierce at Rumpke, I did so in my capacity as a member of the Treis HOA Board and not as commissioner. Likewise, when I reach out to LG&E and request that the tree limbs be trimmed, I will do so in that capacity.

**Safety Commissioner Metcalf:**

1. Drove City on multiple occasions.
2. Conducted radio checks after last City Meeting 8/20/24 using channel 11. Will conduct radio checks tonight using channel 12.
3. Went to P.O. with Mayor Stonum each Friday.
4. ON 9/6/24 Mayor Stonum and myself met with Tate Mason ( Derby City Protection)
5. While Driving through East Bay Villas on 9/8/24 I noticed Commissioner Maupin outside. She had called the police on a potentially dangerous individual living in her neighborhood. I stood by at that location until the police arrived. At that time the individual was arrested.
6. On 8/30/24 issued parking permits to 4515 Lunenburg and 3902 Northumberland.

**Mayor's Comments: None**

*The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM with a motion by Commissioner Maupin and seconded by Commissioner Adams.*

**Signatures:**

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

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

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

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