

Minutes for the City of Worthington Hills
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Date: July 20, 2021

Present: Robert Stonum Crystal Adams Susan Maupin Dennis Metcalf
Steve Schwager Dan Small Bev Lush

Commissioner Hall was out of town so he will stop by the home of Clerk Bev Lush to sign the July Expense Review and pick up his mail.

Citizens Present: 12

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:

- Maryetta Thompson – had concerns on sidewalks. Only part of Murphy Lane has sidewalks and she wondered who she should contact. She was advised to contact Metro Councilman Markus Winkler and/or 311.
- Tarah and Alex LeBlanc from Luray Court – Concerns with parking issues, permit hours, never overnight parking, RV parking. Why? Sometimes have overnight guests. Mayor Stonum explained overnight street parking is dangerous due to possibility of emergency vehicles needing to access the streets and vehicles parking on street blocking safe passages. They were concerned that so many rules on “little things” and they are not consistently enforced. Feel they are living under a “microscope”. Mayor Stonum explained the Metro Code Enforcement will be notified when a violation is seen. Much discussion about how these issues create anxiety among citizens. Mayor Stonum agreed that the overnight parking in the grass will be considered.

Minutes: The July 2021 minutes were brought up for approval. Motion was made by Commissioner Metcalf and seconded by Commissioner Maupin to approve the minutes. Vote was unanimous.

Financial Report: The July 2021 Financials had been distributed to the Commission for review and posted on COWH website prior to the City Meeting. Approval motion was made by Commissioner Adams and seconded by Commissioner Maupin. Vote was unanimous.

Expense Review: The cover sheet of July 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.

City Attorney:

- Liens on delinquent tax payments – Payments are coming in. Will be filing 4-5 lawsuits.
- Ed Lush asked about sidewalks on some courts and not on others. He also asked about being able to repair the sidewalk in front of your own property yourself when needed. Motion was made that property owners may repair the sidewalk in front of their property by Mayor Stonum and seconded by Commissioner Metcalf. Vote was unanimous. If COWH isn't involved in the repair, they can't be sued.
- Rental/Vacant Registrations – What should be done if we feel there is incorrect information on a registration? Could be fraud of government subsidy? Mayor Stonum has received information about a rental property that is believed to be government subsidized, but is vacant. Attorney Schwager will check into this with HUD and Section 8 Housing.

- *Ground Effects update – It is scheduled on Wednesday and possibly Thursday to have gravel removed. Mayor Stonum has requested to be part of the final inspection as this work is done.*

Old Business:

- *Commissioner Maupin spoke about the Shredding Event. Plan to order just 1 truck and it will be for paper only. Mayor Stonum will provide signs. Possibly ask for proof of residency such as driver's license. Motion to choose Saturday September 25 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM as the scheduled time was made by Commissioner Maupin and seconded by Commissioner Adams. Vote was unanimous. Commissioner Adams informed the meeting that there is a location on Meriweather downtown that will receive up to 3 electronic items per day per person to be destroyed. She also advised the residents can sign up for newsletter from Councilman Markus Winkler.*
- *Snow Removal Bids will be discussed and created for posting into Courier Journal at the August city meeting.*
- *Commissioner Metcalf brought up the subject of the emergency kits for city officials to have with them when conducting city duties within COWH. He thanked Commissioner Hall for his help in locating EmergencyKits.com. They have a basic kit for \$69.95/kit which can also be altered to meet our specific needs. Approval motion to purchase these kits was made by Commissioner Metcalf and seconded by Mayor Stonum. Vote was unanimous.*
- *Commissioner Metcalf reminded the attending city officials of our monthly radio check at 10:00 PM tonight.*

New Business:

- *Commissioner Maupin brought up the subject of having a food truck event in the green space. Possibly 4 trucks with various types of food plus 1 for desserts. A tentative date was set for Saturday October 9 from 2:00 PM 0 6:00 PM. Commissioner Maupin will check with food trucks to see of their availability. It was also suggested that on-street parking be allowed that day due to not driving cars into green space.*
- *Resident Carol Campbell brought us up-to-date on the Welcome Bags provided by the city to new residents. She and Sylvia LaPorte advised us of the good response from new residents. So far 24 Welcome Bags have been delivered. Ms. Campbell showed us the items in them.*

Commissioner Reports:

Utilities Commissioner Maupin:

- *6/27 Drove city for street light check*
- *7/5 Mayor Bob emailed to report street light out at Entrance to city in the island.*
 - o *I reported to LG&E for repair*
- *7/15 Mayor Bob emailed to report street light flickering in the island of East Bay CT.*
 - o *I reported to LG&E for repair*
- *Read all emails for July*
- *7/20 Radio check*

Road Commissioner Adams:

- *Went to the Post Office with Mayor Stonum several times.*
- *Went to the Storage Shed with Mayor Stonum twice.*
- *Will participate in the radio checks with Commissioner Metcalf and everyone tonight – July 20th.*
- *There weren't any citizen inquiries or questions to respond to this month.*
- *Drove the roads of COWH to check for cracks and potholes.*
- *Picked up the donated trees from Commissioner Maupin's home. Commissioner Hall was not home at the time so I planted the trees and have been taking care of them.*

- Went to the Coldstream city meeting on June 17th and learned that they are interested in paving their portion of Middlesex. Also got the name and number of their snow contractor so I can make him aware that our snow contract is up for bid.
 - Bid advertisement will be placed for the Middlesex repaving project soon. I'm working with Coldstream to try to coordinate both city's bids to be in the newspaper on the same day.
 - We're going to wait until spring to address the pavement repair for the areas on Boydton. Mayor Stonum advised that the cracks are due to the irrigation sprinklers and other rainwater getting under the pavement. The cracks are not in the area of driving. They are just on the edge of the center island.
 - Snow removal contract bid will have to be placed in the newspaper soon as well so we can get a snow contractor for this winter.
- *Mayor Stonum made a motion to post a notice in Courier Journal for the paving bid of Middlesex Drive from Northumberland to our city limits and Bay Oak. Coldstream has agreed to provide paving on the remainder of Middlesex Drive at the same time. Mayor Stonum and Attorney Schwager will create the bid information for posting in the Courier Journal for one day during the week of July 26.*

Property Commissioner Hall:

- *Mowed - Primary City Property - 6/18, 6/24, 7/2, 7/14*
- *Mowed & Weed-eated - Secondary City Property - 6/20, 6/30, 7/4, 7/14, 7/18*
- *General Clean Up*
 - *6/20/2021 - Trimmed bushes at the front island. Blew off trimmings and picked up trash.*
 - *7/4/2021 - Programmed Sprinkler systems. Killed weeds at all three islands.*
 - *7/14/2021 - Trimmed weeds, fence lines, ditch area and around trees in Large Green Space, Fence Line, ditch area and around trees between Luray and Micklenburg Ct. and the drainage ditch between Rustburg Ct. and Queen Anne's Ct. Also trimmed weeds around all trees in the holding pond behind Lunenburg.*
 - *7/15/2021 - Trimmed weeds green space. Fence lines, around all trees behind Queen Anne's and cleared the drainage ditch behind Lunenburg Dr.*
 - *7/16/2021 - Trimmed weeds in the green space. Fence lines, around all trees in the wooded areas behind Luray Ct.*
 - *7/17/2021 - Trimmed trees growing in the fence of 4002 Northumberland. They were blocking the entrance to the green space. removed sticks between Rustburg and Queen Anne's Courts.*
 - *7/18/2021 - Trimmed weeds in the Lunenburg Holding Pond, Sidewalks, runoff stone area and ditch line. Sprayed weeds at the Flagpole and Boydton.*
 - *7-1-21 - Received an email from Commissioner Adams concerning a tree limb down in the green space.*
 - *7-18-21 - Sent Dennis Email concerning Emergency Prep Kits online.*

Safety Commissioner Metcalf:

- *Drove city on multiple occasions and increased nighttime patrols.*
- *Mayor Stonum and I went to storage area on one occasion.*
- *Received a call from a neighbor on the morning of 7-4-21 at 1:30 AM that a group of cars parked on the street next to his house on Rustburg Place. The people were playing loud music and talking very loudly. I called Metro Police and they arrived within five minutes. They dispatched three cars. As soon as the Police entered the street the individuals got back in their cars and turned off the music. The police drove past and left the neighborhood. The subjects then left the area.*
- *Went to P.O. with Mayor Stonum*

Derby City Protection Report

- Traffic stops – 4
- Codes and regulations – 3
- Open garage doors – 5

Citizen Concerns:

- No more concerns brought up at this time.

Mayor Stonum suggested that the Commission think and work to make our parking issues more friendly.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 PM with a motion by Commissioner Adams and seconded by Commissioner Maupin.

Signatures:

City Clerk: _____

Date: _____

Mayor: _____

Date: _____