

CITY OF WATTERSON PARK LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Jefferson County Farm Bureau • 4200 Gardiner View Avenue • Louisville, Kentucky 40213

March 9, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call — Roll was called. Present were Mayor Linda Chesser; Councilpeople Helen Arnold, Steve Fortwengler, Gina Garrett, Mary Ann Liebert, and Marlene Welsh; Treasurer Jerry Wild; Clerk Aggie Keefe; and Attorneys Wade Hendricks and John Treitz.

Pledge of Allegiance — All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes — Mrs. Welsh made a motion to approve the minutes of the February meeting as received; seconded by Mr. Fortwengler. All present voted yes (5-0).

Treasurer's Report — Mr. Wild reported receipts for the month of February totalling \$45,854.74 with expenditures in the amount of \$30,417.76, giving a surplus of \$15,436.98. Mrs. Arnold made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as read; seconded by Mrs. Welsh. All present voted yes (5-0).

Budget — Attorney Treitz distributed copies of the proposed budget for fiscal year July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017. He went through each line item, explaining how the proposed amounts were obtained. He clarified that the \$74,000 in Personal Property Taxes is a business inventory tax. He noted what is actually covered under each Appropriations category. Mayor Chesser would like to make sure we have money allocated in our budget to cover the reconstruction of Chefs Way, which has deteriorated. The engineers have estimated the cost to repair the road at \$300,000. She would also like for us to check into the possibility of installing a sidewalk on Newburg Road between Champions Trace and Metro Animal Services. Council agreed, and totals were adjusted to accommodate the potential costs of these projects. Mayor Chesser gave the budget report, and Mrs. Welsh introduced the budget for fiscal year July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017.

4500 and 4580 Conaem Drive — Mayor Chesser reported that she received a phone call from Dennis Diemer, with Erdco Properties, indicating that the new owners are going to proceed with changing the address of the property to a Stober Road address, provided there are no issues with Metro. She then received notification that this has, in fact, been done. The address change is effective immediately. The new address is 3301 Stober Road.

Attorney Treitz left the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

Business Cards — Mayor Chesser has been working to get a design for the business cards. She would like to incorporate the City seal in the design. Mrs. Keefe will work with her on the design.

STOP Signs/Street Signs — Mrs. Welsh and Mr. Fortwengler drove the City streets and counted 14 street signs, 15 stop signs, and 4 speed hump signs on our residential streets. Mayor Chesser passed around samples of posts, end caps, and street signs. As a safety precaution, we would install break-away posts. Mrs. Arnold made a motion to select the square post with the large black-on-white street signs; seconded by Mr. Fortwengler. All present voted yes (5-0). Mayor Chesser will get a detailed quote from Saf-Ti-Co and submit it to Council at the April meeting.

Stober Road 90° Curve — With the increase in traffic, Mayor Chesser is concerned about the curve on Stober Road. She has been working with Andrew Freibert at Saf-Ti-Co regarding the installation of illuminated signage along the guardrail at that curve. Saf-Ti-Co submitted a bid in the amount of \$1,067.93 to install chevron signs on 10-ft. posts along with guardrail markers. A motion was made by Ms. Garrett and seconded by Mr. Fortwengler to approve the bid from Saf-Ti-Co to install the signs and markers. All present voted yes (5-0).

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Middle and High School Clusters — Mayor Chesser reported that she spoke with Barbara Dempsey, JCPS Director of Student Assignment, and was informed that there will be no boundary changes at this time. Mayor Chesser will follow up with Ms. Dempsey at a later date.

Vacant Homes/Homes in Poor Condition —

Mayor Chesser met with the owner of the home at 3915 Bantam Court. He is doing a total renovation and already has someone interested in purchasing the home. Mr. Wild mentioned that we currently have a lien on the property, but it has been paid; Attorney Hendricks will take care of getting the lien released.

Attorney Hendricks reported that the property at 3358 Newburg Road has gone into foreclosure.

Mayor Chesser reported that properties at 1728 Larkmoor Lane and 3402 Newburg Road have been turned in to Metro for violations. An inspector has been out to assess the properties. Mayor Chesser will follow-up on this.

Trip to Bernheim Forest — Mrs. Welsh reported that she contacted Bernheim Forest and received information on their rates, tours, and programs. There would be no admission charge for the bus; the cost for a guided tour is \$10 per person. Their restaurant, Isaac's Cafe, charges \$8 per person for their standard meal, and an additional \$2 per person to add their home-made soup. They would set up a buffet for our group. Mrs. Welsh will call Miller Transportation to get a cost for a bus. The suggested date for the trip is May 14, with a rain-out date of May 15. It will be limited to the first 50 respondents. Mrs. Welsh will determine how much time we will need to allocate for the trip. She will notify Mrs. Keefe once details have been finalized so this information can be included in the upcoming spring newsletter. Mayor Chesser will contact a resident who is a member of the Church of Christ on Gardiner View Avenue to ask permission to meet there and park our cars on their lot. Ms. Garrett offered her assistance.

Mrs. Welsh made a motion authorizing the City to fund the trip to Bernheim; seconded by Mr. Fortwengler. All present voted yes (5-0). We will have a dollar amount and decide on specifics at the April meeting.

Assistance with Treasurer's Duties/Bank Box — Mr. Wild doesn't have anything new to report at this time.

City Office Equipment — Mr. Fortwengler reported that he is attempting to sell the camera. If he isn't successful, we can donate it to Olmsted Academy. He will keep us informed.

Copier — Mrs. Welsh read Resolution No. 3, Series 2016, disposing of the copier as surplus and approving the sale of said copier to Norm Liebert for \$10. Mrs. Arnold made a motion to approve the resolution; seconded by Ms. Garrett. Motion carried with a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays; Mrs. Liebert abstained.

Sanitation — Mrs. Keefe distributed specs for sanitation services for Council's review and approval. We will have the advertisement for bids published between March 23 and April 4. Bids will be due on April 11 and will be opened at the April 13 legislative meeting.

Lawn Maintenance Bid — We will bring this up for discussion at the April meeting.

Audit — Mr. Wild distributed copies of the Audit. Mayor Chesser noted that on page 17, under Risk Management, the name of the insurance company with whom the City currently carries insurance is Nelson Insurance Agency; Attorney Hendricks noted that on page 9, first paragraph under Summary of Significant Account Policies, fourth line, "commissioners" needs to be changed to "officials." Mr. Wild will notify Blue & Co. of these errors. Mrs. Welsh made a motion to approve the audit from Blue & Co. with the two noted revisions; seconded by Mrs. Arnold. All present voted yes (5-0). Once the revisions are made, Attorney Hendricks will forward the audit to the state. He will also take care of publishing the necessary audit notice in the *Courier-Journal*.

Snow Removal — Mayor Chesser spoke with Brandon Vincent at County Wide about our concerns that their drivers were driving too fast when plowing the roads. He was very receptive and will instruct his employees to slow down.

NEW BUSINESS

LMPD 6th Division Advisory Board Meeting Update — Mayor Chesser attended the March 8 meeting. There was discussion about break-ins that are occurring in areas surrounding our City. Everyone was cautioned to lock doors and to be aware. The 6th Division is looking for youth volunteers for a Youth Advisory Council that will be led by Chief Conrad. Mayor Chesser suggested that resident Tiffany Woodson's son would be a good representative for our City; she also knows of another youth in our City who might be willing to serve.

Bluegrass Mobile Home Park — Mayor Chesser reported that she and Resource Officer McElroy met with staff at the Bluegrass Mobile Home Park. Officer McElroy suggested some safety measures that would be beneficial to them.

Arbor Day — Kentucky celebrates Arbor Day on the first Friday in April; we will be celebrating it on April 16 at the Lillian Wild Walking Path prior to the Operation Brightside Cleanup, at which time Mayor Chesser will read the Arbor Day Proclamation.

Tree City USA — We are one of 37 communities in Kentucky recognized as a Tree City USA. Mayor Chesser received a packet of items from the Arbor Day Foundation. Included in this packet were a baseball cap, a flag, a lapel pin, and a 13-year sticker. Council agreed that we should install a small flag pole to display this flag on our property at the Lillian Wild Walking Path. Mayor Chesser will get a cost from Saf-Ti-Co to install the pole. Ms. Garrett would like to have the flag pole installed in time for our Arbor Day celebration on April 16.

Operation Brightside Cleanup — Members of our City Council and Mayor Chesser will deliver flyers about the April 16 Operation Brightside Community-Wide Cleanup. Mrs. Keefe will post information about the cleanup on our website. A motion was made by Mrs. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Fortwengler to authorize the purchase of muffins and waters for participants; all present voted yes (5-0).

Comprehensive Inventory of City Streets — Mr. Wild submitted a comprehensive list that he compiled of streets that are included in our City.

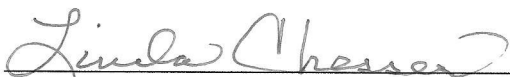
Malt Beverage License — Mayor Chesser reported that at the March 8 LMPD 6th Division Advisory Board meeting it was reported that the property at 4214 Bishop Lane is applying for a retail malt beverage license. Attorney Hendricks will check into it.

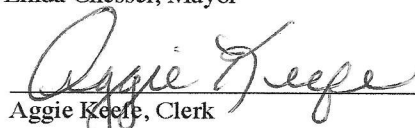
Newsletter — Mrs. Keefe distributed a draft of our spring newsletter for review. Included in this newsletter is information on the upcoming trip to Bernheim Forest along with a trip response form. Mayor Chesser will submit a letter for the first page. Once the details of the trip have been worked out, Mrs. Welsh will forward this information to Mrs. Keefe for inclusion in the newsletter. We will NOT include insurance stickers in this newsletter.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment — Mrs. Welsh made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Fortwengler. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m. All those persons noted as being present at the beginning of this meeting, unless otherwise indicated, remained throughout.

Approved at the meeting of the City Council held on 4-13-16.


Linda Chesser, Mayor


Aggie Keefe, Clerk

Minutes taken by and transcribed by Aggie Keefe.