

**CITY OF WATTERSON PARK
LEGISLATIVE MEETING**

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

June 11, 2018, meeting

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

Roll Call — Roll was called. Present were Mayor Linda Chesser; Councilpeople Helen Arnold, Steve Fortwengler, Gina Garrett, Marlene Welsh, and Tiffany Woodson; Treasurer Jerry Wild; Clerk Aggie Keefe; and Attorney John Treitz.

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

MINUTES

Mr. Fortwengler made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2018, legislative meeting as received; seconded by Mrs. Welsh All present voted yes (5-0).

OLD BUSINESS

Sanitation — Chris Pierce and Derek Rainbolt from Rumpke Sanitation were present to answer any questions regarding our new contract with Rumpke.

Brandon Paul arrived at 7:08 p.m.

Mr. Pierce sent information to Mrs. Keefe to put in our newsletter and on our website. Rumpke will be sending a flyer to all residents. They will also provide a Spanish version of the flyer for those residents who don't speak English. They will be delivering waste and recycling carts to our residents the week of June 25. Mr. Pierce and Mr. Rainbolt left the meeting at 7:16 p.m.

Off-Duty Police Officers — Deputy Sheriff Gentry arrived at the meeting at 7:19 p.m. He reported that several officers have stopped at businesses and talked to the owners to let them know they will be patrolling. They have given out several speeding tickets. Deputy Sheriff Gentry left the meeting at 7:25 p.m. Mayor Chesser distributed copies of the Small City Activities Sheet received from Kentuckiana Law Enforcement for the month of May 2018.

Budget Ordinance — Mrs. Arnold gave second reading in full to Ordinance No. 242, Series 2018, adopting the annual budget for fiscal year July 1, 2018, through June 30, 2019. Mrs. Arnold made a motion to adopt the ordinance; seconded by Mr. Fortwengler. All present voted yes (6-0).

Attorney Treitz left the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

Treasurer's and Clerk's Salaries — Mrs. Welsh introduced and read by title an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 232, Series 2016, relating to the adoption of the City of Watterson Park position classification plan and pay schedule.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Wild reported receipts for the month of May 2018 in the amount of \$28,304.84 with expenditures in the amount of \$42,018.93, leaving a deficit of 13,714.09. Mrs. Welsh made a motion to approve the report; seconded by Mr. Fortwengler. All present voted yes (6-0).

OLD BUSINESS

Liquor License Application – Mayor Chesser reported that the letter of opposition by Watterson Park was mailed to the ABC in Frankfort. Metro Councilwoman Shanklin said there will be a protest in front of the property on June 18. Ms. Shanklin will reach out to some of the local news stations and ask them to cover the protest.

Forestry Trip for 2018 – Mrs. Welsh thanked the Council for helping to make the trip a success. She gave Mrs. Keefe a synopsis of the trip for inclusion in the upcoming newsletter. Ms. Woodson will send pictures to Mrs. Keefe as well. Mrs. Welsh said the total for the trip was just under \$2,900.

Pedestrian Caution Signs/Lights on Gardiner Lane – Mr. Paul didn't have anything new to report at this time. He did mention, however, a problem with Post Office trucks speeding and not stopping at stop signs.

Speed Humps – Mayor Chesser reported that the speed humps on Regina Avenue, Champions Trace, Annshire Avenue, and Conaem Drive have been installed. Mayor Chesser received a few calls questioning why we installed them and asking how the decision is made. She explained that they help control speed and promote safety on our residential streets, and that we took a poll of the residents and went with what the majority wanted. The cost was \$13,080: Hall Contracting, \$11,000; Saf-Ti-Co for removal and relocation of signs, \$2,080.

Boundary Signs – Mayor Chesser reported that she and Andrew Freibert from Saf-Ti-Co drove the streets and marked locations for the Welcome signs. Saf-Ti-Co will take care of underground utility markings. The large sign will be installed on Produce Road.

Bishop Lane Development Plan – Mrs. Arnold reported that she called Mark Madison, an engineer with Milestone Design Group, and was told that they are presenting a formal application on June 11; it will go before LDT in September; and there will be a public meeting around October 18.

NEW BUSINESS

Auditor's Letter of Engagement – Mayor Chesser reported that we received the auditor's letter of engagement for the year ending June 30, 2018, from John McIntyre with McIntyre & Woolridge. Attorney Treitz, Jerry Wild, and Mayor Chesser reviewed the letter and it has been signed and returned to Mr. McIntyre.

MSD Issue/Gardiner Lane Storage – Mrs. Arnold reported that she received a complaint about the tall grass in the ditch in front of this facility. She called MSD and received a tracking number. She found out that the ditch is a no-mow zone because of erosion.

Newburg Road Sidewalk – Mayor Chesser reported that Chris Thieneman, owner of Fort Bluegrass Mobile Home Park, contact her to discuss the need for a sidewalk on Newburg Road from Larkmoor Lane to the Metro Animal House. Mayor Chesser sent an email to Councilman Mulvihill, and he agreed that the connectivity is paramount. Mr. Mulvihill is reaching out to Mark Adams with TARC, Senator Morgan McGarvey, and Representative Tom Burch. Chris Thieneman has contacted Senator Dan Seum and he is going to help get the right people onboard with this initiative. Senator Seum asked Mayor Chesser to send him a letter explaining the need to complete this sidewalk and he will push to get it done. Mayor Chesser will copy all Council members with the letter.

4301 Produce Road – Mayor Chesser reported that this property, consisting of 17.7 acres, has been cleared and there is a development plan to build a 300,000 sq. ft. warehouse. This property is owned by Desert Properties of Kentucky and was formerly occupied by SAPA He Tubing, a manufacturer of aluminum tubes used in automotive air conditioning systems. SAPA opened in 1968 and has been closed for several years.

Committees – Mrs. Keefe will update the committees on the Watterson Park website.

Sanitation – Mayor Chesser will contact Republic Services to see when they will be picking up their carts.

Address List – Mayor Chesser distributed copies of an updated list of Watterson Park residences. We have 203 residential homes and 198 mobile homes, 61 of which are vacant at this time.

State Tax Withholdings – Mr. Wild reported that he received an email from the State asking for us to voluntarily withhold 5% in state taxes on our paychecks. If anyone wishes to change their withholdings, Mr. Wild asked them to let him know.

House Watch – Mr. Paul mentioned that other cities have a portal through which a resident who will be out of town can contact the local police to do drive-bys of their property. Perhaps this is something we can check into.


Off-Duty Patrol – Mayor Chesser reported that she checks the reports from Kentuckiana Law Enforcement to insure that they are in fact patrolling within our City limits. She found a few instances where they were outside our boundaries and she called it to their attention.

LMPD 6th Division Citizens Advisory Board Meeting – Mayor Chesser will be attending the upcoming meeting and asked if anyone had anything they would like for her to bring up at the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Welsh made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Mrs. Arnold. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:58 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 7-9-18.



Linda Chesser, Mayor



Aggie Keefe, Clerk

Minutes taken and transcribed by Aggie Keefe.