

**CITY OF WATTERSON PARK  
LEGISLATIVE MEETING**

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

**May 14, 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, Brandon Paul, Marlene Welsh, and Tiffany Woodson; Treasurer Jerry Wild; and Clerk Aggie Keefe.

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

### **OLD BUSINESS**

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**Off-Duty Police Officers** — John Aubrey, President of Kentuckiana Law Enforcement (KLE), was present to give an update on the off-duty service being provided by KLE. For the month of April, KLE provided 82 hours of patrol. Mr. Aubrey sends a shift activity report following each shift. Residents and business owners have noticed the extra patrol and are appreciative. Mr. Aubrey said his officers have been giving warnings to residents and issuing citations to non-residents for traffic infractions.

Attorney John Treitz arrived at 7:05 p.m.

Mr. Aubrey said his officers will check houses when residents are on vacation. Councilman Paul said it was reassuring to see the off-duty officers patrolling our streets. He asked Mr. Aubrey if KLE had received any feedback from the patrolling officers that needs to be addressed, to which Mr. Aubrey replied that he had not. After further discussion, Mr. Aubrey left the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

### **MINUTES**

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Mr. Fortwengler made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2018, legislative meeting as received; seconded by Ms. Garrett. All present voted yes (6-0).

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

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Mr. Wild reported receipts for the month of April 2018 in the amount of \$80,672.01 with expenditures in the amount of \$38,924.13, giving a surplus of \$41,747.88. Ms. Garrett questioned the amount under Tree Maintenance; Mr. Wild said it was for mulching and tree trimming, among other items. Attorney Treitz again questioned the depreciation item. Mr. Wild agreed it is confusing and will start showing the money we spend on roads that has been capitalized and then move it for the auditor. Attorney Treitz questioned the amount for public works and was told it was for boundary/street signs, pot holes, terminix, and County Wide. Mrs. Welsh made a motion to approve the report; seconded by Mrs. Arnold. All present voted yes (6-0).

### **OLD BUSINESS**

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**Sanitation Bids** — Mayor Chesser reported that she and Mrs. Welsh contacted six references provided by Rumpke. Mrs. Welsh called Lyndon, Prospect, and St. Matthews. All three were satisfied with the service provided by Rumpke. No problems were reported. All reported that Rumpke was quick to respond to any

problems or complaints, replacing damaged cans promptly. None reported significant rate increases. Mayor Chesser contacted Hurstbourne, Jeffersontown, and Middletown. All reported great customer service and only modest rate increases. Mrs. Arnold made a motion to award the two-year contract for sanitation services to Rumpke per their bid; seconded by Mr. Fortwengler. All present voted yes (6-0). Mr. Paul would like to notify residents via our newsletter and website of the new service provider and let them know that the City will save several thousand dollars annually by switching to Rumpke. Attorney Treitz will draw up the contract. Mayor Chesser will let Mrs. Keefe know when and how Republic Services will pick up the existing trash/recycling/composting receptacles as well as when Rumpke will be delivering new cans. Mrs. Keefe will include this information in our upcoming newsletter and post it on our website as well.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

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**Budget** – Mayor Chesser presented the budget analysis for the upcoming fiscal year. She, Attorney Treitz, and Mr. Wild discussed budget figures at length on the phone. They looked at what was spent last year and took into consideration projects on the horizon for the upcoming fiscal year. Attorney Treitz detailed changes from the current budget year. After discussion, Mrs. Arnold gave first reading in full to an ordinance adopting the annual budget for fiscal year July 1, 2018, through June 30, 2019.

**Liquor License Application** – Mayor Chesser reported that there was an ABC notification in the newspaper on May 2 regarding the property at 4845 Poplar Level Road. This property was formerly a Moby Dick restaurant and an interested party plans to open a liquor store. The sale of the property may be contingent on getting the liquor license. Mayor Chesser spoke with Metro Councilwoman Barbara Shanklin, who said they already have eleven liquor stores or bars and other stores that sell liquor in that area and she is strongly opposed to another one. She is afraid that this type of establishment in that area will increase crime in an area that already has a problem. Ms. Shanklin submitted a letter opposing it. On the local level, it will probably be denied; it will then go to Frankfort. Mr. Fortwengler made a motion to oppose the liquor license application and have Attorney Treitz submit a letter of opposition; seconded by Mr. Paul. All present voted yes (6-0). Ms. Woodson would like to see the letter of opposition before it is mailed.

Attorney Treitz left the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

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**Fence on Larkmoor Lane** — Mrs. Welsh reported that the fence project has been completed, and the neighbors are pleased with the results. Mr. Fortwengler passed around images of the completed project.

**Operation Brightside** – Ms. Woodson reported that we had 16 participants the day of the scheduled pick-up and 8 additional the following Saturday. She was disappointed that it took so long for Brightside to pick up the bags of trash. They are now using an APP for pickup, which may have contributed to the delay.

**Community Yard Sale** – Ms. Woodson reported that 11 homes participated in the yard sale.

**Pedestrian Caution Signs/Lights on Gardiner Lane** — Mr. Paul reported that Metro came up with some money to install advance pedestrian warning signs on Gardiner Lane between Conaem Drive and Colonel Sanders Way. Mr. Paul will check into speed radar with a flashing light to be installed in the vicinity of the Gardiner Lane and Regina Avenue intersection.

**Forestry Trip for 2018** – Mrs. Welsh reported that we have 54 residents signed up for the trip to Cincinnati Zoo. She would like to supply Zoo Bucks in the amount of \$15 for each participant, including children. Mrs. Welsh will take pictures at the event for use on our website and in our upcoming newsletter. The total cost for the trip will be approximately \$2,800.

**Speed Humps** – Mayor Chesser reported that the speed humps on Regina Avenue, Champions Trace, Annshire Avenue, and Conaem Drive should be installed the third or fourth week of May, according to Roscoe Willis with Hall Contracting. There is a new law stating that Speed Hump signs need only be at the top and bottom of each street, so some existing Speed Hump signs will be removed and re-used.

**Boundary Signs** – Mayor Chesser reported that the boundary signs are now ready to be installed. Andrew Freibert and Mayor Chesser will mark each installation site and Saf-Ti-Co will take care of notifying BUD for underground utility markings. New street signs have been installed on Bunton Road and Bunton Court, Hodel Road, Watterson Park Road and Stober Road, and Stober Road and Robards Court. The street sign on Regina Avenue was repaired.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

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**Neighborhood Meeting for Development Plan** – Mr. Fortwengler, Mrs. Arnold, and Mayor Chesser attended a meeting regarding a rezoning proposal for 4310 Bishop Lane, Unit D. The applicant wants to rezone the property from OR3 and C1 to C2 for contractor shops. This was the preliminary pre-zoning meeting. The applicant will present to Zoning and Development.

**4322 Bishop Lane** – Mayor Chesser reported that this property was purchased by the Lincoln Foundation.

**LMPD 6th Division Citizens Advisory Board Meeting** – Mayor Chesser reported that Backpage.com has been shut down and the owner arrested. Major Bogan reported that the Sixth Division is going in the right direction as far as crime is concerned. Major Bogan also reported that he worked for KLE in the past and spoke highly of John Aubrey and his operation.

**Sullivan University** – Mayor Chesser reported that Sullivan University will be hosting a rainbow run on June 2; the proceeds will be used to stock a food pantry.

**Labeling Trees** – Mr. Wild suggested that we label the trees on the Lillian Wild Walking Path as well as any new trees. Council agreed. Mayor Chesser mentioned that Cindy Sullivan consults with cities on this type of issue; she will find out what Ms. Sullivan's consulting fee is. Mr. Paul would like to beautify the entrance to our City at Poplar Level Road and Newburg Road. Perhaps we can put in a signature entrance similar to the one at Newburg Road and Bishop Lane. We will check into this possibility.

Mr. Wild and Mrs. Keefe left the meeting at 9:02 p.m. Mrs. Welsh took minutes for the remainder of the meeting.


**Treasurer's and Clerk's Salaries** – Following a discussion regarding increasing the Treasurer's and Clerk's salaries, a motion was made by Ms. Garrett and seconded by Ms. Woodson to increase the salary for the Clerk; all present voted yes (6-0). A motion was made by Mr. Fortwengler and seconded by Mr. Paul to increase the salary for the Treasurer; all present voted yes (6-0). Mayor Chesser will consult with legal counsel to determine any necessity to amend Ordinance No. 232, Series 2016, to allow for this action.

**ADJOURNMENT**

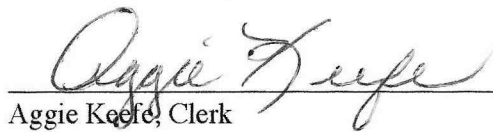
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Mrs. Welsh made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Paul. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m. All those persons noted as being present at the beginning of this meeting, unless otherwise indicated, remained throughout.

Approved at the meeting of the City Council held on 6-11-18.



Linda Chesser, Mayor



Aggie Keefe, Clerk

Minutes taken and transcribed by Aggie Keefe, unless otherwise noted.