**GREEN SPRING COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES, APRIL 21, 2022**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm at Old National Bank by Mayor Cravens. Those present were Commissioners Ries, von Allmen, and Combs and City Attorney Chip Hayward. Commissioner Radeker joined the meeting via phone. George Stewart was also present.

Commissioner von Allmen made a motion to approve the March meeting minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by commissioner Ries. The minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

The security report was previously emailed to members of the Commissioner Ries noted that Graymoor-Devondale police were in the neighborhood fewer hours compared to normal. This was most likely due to staffing issues.George Stewart was introduced. He is the owner of a code enforcement business. Currently, the Graymoor-Devondale police department is enforcing our ordinances. His business works for several nearby neighborhoods, including Graymoor-Devondale. He is retired from LMPD, worked for Attorney General in Jefferson county office. Started company 2015. Is the largest code enforcement company in US, serves 8 cities in Jefferson County. Has gone through our ordinances – they are strong, up to date. Commissioners stated that parking, lawn care (environmental nuisance) are our main concerns, and that consistent enforcement is desired. Cost of services is: $500/10 hours, $300/5 hours; includes 1-2X/week survey of neighborhood. Additional $150/year for citations/postage. How to manage permits e.g., permit issuance. He can mail copies of permit and ordinances. Discussed pros and workflow. Commissioner von Almen suggested highlighting ordinances we are most concerned about and want to be enforced. How can we become more proactive, to avoid issues in the future. Graymoor Devondale will continue efforts to enforce Green Spring ordinances for the time being. If not effective, will consider hiring code enforcement company. Do need to consider room in budget for services. Commissioner Ries will add $4000 so service can be covered if desired.

**Beautification, Chris von Allmen**

* Proturf – Spring Mulch, trimming and edging occurred around the city.
* Greenway will cut the Springdale Corridor this year
* Tree Removed from the catch basin behind BiLandon Court
* Landscape lighting – Repaired by Proturf
* Reviewed a tree that had fallen off of Clipping Court to determine responsibility of city.  It was outside of the city’s lines
* Working on Renderings with Eagle Sign regarding Tree City USA signage at entrances.  Will distribute when available. 24- inch sign at front entrance. Black/bronze w/tree, 16-inch sign for Wolf Creek entrances. Green Spring Dr and Clipping Cross/entrances – different signs. Metal sign with Tree City logo.

**City Services, Josh Combs**

* Egg Hunt – very well done – thanks to Analese Craven and Social Crew for organizing. Well-attended, people happy to be back together again. Looking forward to more city events.
* Additional permit check received. Fence permit pending.
* Solar panels – resident had inquired, but no longer interested. Should think about proactively addressing this issue with ordinance.

**Transportation, Scott Radeker**

Pending:

* Survey of sidewalks.
* SealMaster survey of roads for warranty work.

**Finance, Stuart Ries**

Income from all sources was $1839.13. Expenses were $15,323.60. Major March expenses were Trash Collection ($7383.00) and Security ($1820.00).

American Recovery Act: The annual Treasury Department report is due on April 30,2022. The Kentucky League of Cities provided training on April 19 on the report submission, which Commissioner Ries attended.

**Old Business**

Salary Ordinance – 2nd Reading: Commissioner Ries proposed amendment to add position of City Clerk to the Salary Ordinance, and re-phrase “salary” to” renumeration”. Motion to pass by Commissioner von Allmen, with a second by Commissioner Combs. The motion passed unanimously. The second reading of the ordinance will be tabled until next month. The Commission agreed to set a 5-minute limit commentary per speaker at next meeting. Will suspend normal rules/order of meeting and adjust agenda to reflect.

City Directory: should be printed any day; sent out soon.

**New Business**

* Standard Allowance Resolution: to elect standard allowance instead of itemizing deductions for use of American Recover Act road funds. Commissioner von Allmen motioned to approve the resolution, and Commissioner Combs seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.
* 2021-2022 Budget Revision 1st Reading: First reading of ordinance pertaining to the 2021-2022 budget, to allocate funds to July 2021 road sealing project. Moving $199,000 from savings to checking.
* 2022-2023 Budget - 1st Reading: First reading of ordinance pertaining to the 2022-2023 budget.
* Property assessment – expect 5% increase this year.
* Line item for renumeration ordinance to cover ½ year
* Increased water by 10%
* Lawn care increased by 10%
* Line item for signs -- $9000 (Tree City, other)
* Add $4000 for ordinance enforcement.
* Income $7000
* Mayor Cravens will give shout-out to Social Committee members in newsletter.

Commissioner von Allmen motioned to adjourn the meeting, and Commissioner Combs seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 pm. The next meeting will be held on May 19, 2022, 7 pm, at Old National Bank.