**ABBREVIATED GREEN SPRING COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES, NOVEMBER 18, 2021**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm at Old National Bank by Mayor Trevor Cravens. Present were Commissioners Scott Radeker, Stuart Ries, and Chris von Allmen. City Attorney Hayward was also present. Commissioner Combs was absent.

Minutes from the October meeting were approved unanimously.

Security report emailed previously by Mayor Cravens and included nothing of significance. Mayor Cravens advised to be on lookout what appear to be squatters along Barbour Lane.

**Beautification, Commissioner Chris von Allmen**

Holiday lights are going up; entrances complete & big trees are next. Entrance light have been turned on, as per resident’s request. Fall leaves and a tree limb down at Bilandon Ct. are being taken care of. Wolf Pen Branch Preservation Association reached out to see what they could do along Springdale Rd; will likely spearhead project to install a plaque to commemorate Old Mill at Barbour Lane/Wolf Pen Branch intersection.

**Transportation, Commissioner Scott Radeker**

Reached out to the following companies for quotes on snow removal:

* Jason Weatherholtz of Valley Maintenance (and followed up on 11/19).
* John-Charles of Clean Care Landscaping (and followed up on 11/19).

Sent out city map for 2 quotations for snow removal. Mayor Cravens will follow up w/John Charles.

**Finance, Commissioner Stuart Ries**

 Income from all sources for October was $10,954.09. Expenses were $26,126.11. Major October expenses were $7,176.00 for trash collection and $2,531.55 for water.

2021 Property Tax Bills: 2021-2022 Tax Bills were mailed in October. As of November 17, 102 residents have paid. Gross tax collections are $43,800.41. Taxes are due December 21, 2021. A postmark is accepted as proof of timely payment.

Mayor Cravens had a question from a resident: How have funds from federal stimulus money been spent? Funds are currently in escrow. No guidelines on deadline to spend/amount to spend. Worst- case scenario – reallocate to Harrods FD. City Attorney Hayward advised to check with JCLC. Commissioner von Allmen had heard that a few mayors were able to use the stimulus funds towards re-paving. Commissioner Ries will wait until an official ruling comes out; we have enough cash in budget to pay for sealing. If we are able to use stimulus money towards road sealing expenses, there will be no reason to push for a tax increase on insurance premiums.

**City Services, Commissioner Josh Combs**

In the absence of Commissioner Combs, there was no report. Mayor Cravens reported that the new contract w/Rumpke is signed and official. There are still some issues with trash pick-up. Had meeting with Rumpke this past Monday to be sure they are communicating with operators about who gets rear-door service. There is a slight increase in cost for weekly recycling, ~$1 per month.

**Old Business**

There was no Old Business

**New Business**

Permit applications – There are at least 3 known projects currently underway in the city, for which permits have not been obtained. Ordinances must be enforced. Could Graymoor-Devondale PD issue a warning for permits? City Attorney Hayward recommends warnings. Mayor Cravens will speak to Commissioner Combs about follow-up.

Commissioner von Allmen motioned to adjourn the meeting, and Commissioner Radeker seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm. The next meeting will be held at Old National Bank on December 16, 2021 at 7 pm.