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Dear Residents,

I hope this find you well. With the first day of Spring just days away, we have a lot to look forward to in Green Spring. Our relatively small snow amounts over the winter will provide for surplus funds to consider beautification projects in the city. These projects are currently only in discussion, but some considerations include new trees and shrub replacement along Green Spring Drive, updated signage at our entrance and additional speed signs in the city. Note that the updated signage does not mean we are removing "the rock" that has been with us many years.



Don't miss the Easter Egg hunt April 11th. This is favorite for the kids in the neighborhood as they manage to pick up hundreds of eggs in only a few minutes. If only they were as efficient in picking up their rooms! Kidding aside, we love the gatherings our social committee plans and hope everyone will join us.

We also have a first-time event, or at least a first in my tenure here, coming up in April. Councilman Scott Reed has agreed to host a Town Hall style meet and greet at the Wolf Creek Clubhouse on April 20th starting at 6pm. All residents of Green Spring and Wolf Creek are welcome to come and meet Scott, hear what's happening in our district and the city overall and ask questions. There are a lot of exciting projects happening in our district, which includes Prospect, Harrods Creek, Glenview, Barbourmeade, and many other small cities and neighborhoods along River Road, Hwy 42 and Hwy 22.

Town Hall Meeting 16th District Councilman Scott Reed April 20th, 6pm

Wolf Creek Clubhouse

The city commission continues to look at options for our roads and does have some repairs on the agenda once asphalt plants open again. Our new transportation commissioner is getting up to speed and continuing the RFP process we started last year. The intent is to look at costs for coating our existing roadways or repaving altogether. We suspect this process will go into the beginning of Summer before any decisions are made.

If you have any questions about this or other things happening in the city do not hesitate to contact me or any other commissioners.

Best, Trevor Cravens trevor.cravens@gmail.com 859-492-9492

MINUTES

ABBREVIATED MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 21, 2019 MEETING OF THE GREEN SPRING COMMISSION

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM in the Wolf Creek Clubhouse by Mayor pro tem Tom Phillips. In attendance were commissioners Stuart Ries and Chris von Allmen. City Attorney Chip Hayward was also present. Mayor Trevor Cravens was absent.

Commissioner Ries made a motion to approve the minutes from the October Commissioner's meeting. Commissioner von Allmen seconded the motion, and the October minutes were approved unanimously.

SECURITY REPORT: Report was emailed to commissioners and included two speeding warnings. There were quite a few home watches.

BEAUTIFICATION, Commissioner Chris von Allmen:

Christmas lights have been hung on the median trees with care. ProTurf has blown out all the sprinkler lines, as well as cleared leaves from the median. There will be one last mowing before winter.

Commissioner Ries — There is concern with the large evergreen at Deepwood Drive and Green Spring Dr. limiting visibility at intersection. Commissioners discussed solutions, including replacement or trimming in spring, and mirrors. Commissioner von Allmen will search out alternatives to make it safer.

CITY SERVICES, Commissioner Tom Phillips:

A few houses are FOR SALE or RENT in the City. Please give our new residents a warm WELCOME and advise the Commission the resident's name, address (& email address) so they can receive a City Directory. (view Directory at: https://www.atozdirectories.com/nome/login.php).

Yard Waste: Rumpke yard waste pickup will continue through December.

There will also be an early spring pickup the 3rd week of March in 2020.

FINANCES, Commissioner Stuart Ries:

Total income from all sources for October 2019 was \$8,085.00. October expenses were \$22,861.04. Major expenses were for trash collection (\$12,965.80) and water (\$2,519.00).

Bi-Annual Audit: Brian Cobb of Stuedle Spears & Company will complete the bi-annual audit for the cost of \$3,950. The audit should be completed in January 2020.

2019 Tax Bills: \$32,851.87 has been collected from 2019 tax bills. Taxes are due December 31, 2019.Stuart **TRANSPORTATION (currently vacant)**:

No report since no commissioner. Snow removal contract is in place for 2019-20.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Mason resigned effective November 21. The Green Spring Commissioners thank him for his service and accept his resignation. Commissioner von Allmen nominated David Jenkins to replace Commissioner Mason for the remainder of the current term. Commissioner Ries seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Commissioner von Allmen made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Commissioner Ries seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:16pm.

The next meeting of the Green Spring Commission will be held at 7 pm on December 19, 2019 in the Wolf Creek Clubhouse.

Submitted by Caryl Conklin, City Clerk

ABBREVIATED MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 19, 2019 MEETING OF THE GREEN SPRING COMMISSION

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM in the Wolf Creek Clubhouse by Mayor pro tem Tom Phillips. In attendance were commissioners Stuart Ries, Chris von Allmen, and David Jenkins. City Attorney Chip Hayward was also present. Mayor Trevor Cravens was absent. A warm welcome was extended to new Commissioner Jenkins.

The November meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

The Security report was emailed to commissioners and the majority of it included home watches.

BEAUTIFICATION, Commissioner Chris von Allmen:

Christmas lights have been hung on the median trees with care. Lights have been replaced and upgraded as needed. Country Gardens does a fantastic job year after year!

CITY SERVICES, Commissioner Tom Phillips:

Residents at 4511 Deepwood Drive applied for a privacy wall permit, and it was approved.

A few houses are FOR SALE or RENT in the City. Please give our new residents a warm WELCOME and advise the Commission the resident's name, address (& email address) so they can receive a City Directory. (view Directory at: https://www.atozdirectories.com/nome/login.php).

Yard Waste: There will be an early spring pickup the 3rd Friday of March.

FINANCES, Commissioner Stuart Ries:

Total income from all sources for November 2019 was \$73,950.82 November expenses were \$9,851.00. Major expenses were for lawn care (\$7210) and the storage unit (\$961.00).

<u>Bi-Annual Audit</u>: Brian Cobb of Stuedle Spears & Company will complete the bi-annual audit for the cost of \$3,950. The audit should be completed in January 2020.

<u>2019 Tax Bills:</u> \$110,980.13 has been collected from 2019 tax bills. 264 of 286, or 92.3% have been paid. Taxes are due December 31, 2019. Tax collection is on par. Expenses are light for November because 2 payments were made in October for several utilities. Snow removal budget is set at \$15,000. If we have light snow this season, the commission can use that money for other city improvements.

TRANSPORTATION, Commissioner David Jenkins:

Commissioner Jenkins has established open lines of communication with Cornerstone in the event of snowfall. The city of Green Spring is ready for winter.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

The City Holiday celebration will take place on Sunday evening, December 22, from 5-7 pm. There will be caroling in the median, along with a brass band, hot chocolate, coffee, and cookies.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 pm. The next meeting of the Green Spring Commission will be held at 7 pm on January 16 in the Wolf Creek Clubhouse.

ABBREVIATED MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 16, MEETING OF THE GREEN SPRING COMMISSION

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM in the Wolf Creek Clubhouse by Mayor pro tem Tom Phillips. In attendance were commissioners Stuart Ries and David Jenkins, and city attorney Chip Hayward. Mayor Cravens and Commissioner von Allmen were not present.

The December meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

The security report was emailed to commissioners and included no significant incidences in Green Spring.

TRANSPORTATION, Commissioner David Jenkins:

No snow events yet this season. Commissioner Jenkins is looking at alternatives to salt for de-icing the roads (implementation no sooner than next winter season). One light out in the neighborhood; Commissioner Jenkins contacted LG&E for repair.

CITY SERVICES, Commissioner Tom Phillips:

A few houses are FOR SALE or RENT in the City. Please give our new residents a warm WELCOME and advise the Commission the resident's name, address (& email address) so they can receive a City Directory. (view Directory at: https://www.atozdirectories.com/nome/login.php).

FINANCES, Commissioner Stuart Ries:

Total income from all sources for December 2019 was \$57,441.32. Expenses were \$17,911.59. Major expenses were for trash collection (\$6482.00) and tax bill preparation (\$3804.00).

<u>Bi-Annual Audit</u>: Brian Cobb of Stuedle Spears & Company will complete the bi-annual audit for the cost of \$3,950. The audit will be completed this month.

<u>2019 Tax Bills:</u> \$114,979.58 has been collected from 2019 tax bills. 282 of 286 tax bills have been paid. Letters have been sent to the residents who have not paid.

BEAUTIFICATION, Commissioner Chris von Allmen:

No report submitted

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 pm. The next meeting of the Green Spring Commission will be held at 7 pm on February 20, 2020 in the Wolf Creek Clubhouse.

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ABBREVIATED MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 20, 2020 MEETING OF THE GREEN SPRING COMMISSION

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 PM by Mayor Trevor Cravens. In attendance were commissioners Chris von Allmen, David Jenkins, and Stuart Ries. Also present was city attorney Chip Hayward. Commissioner Tom Phillips was absent.

The January meeting were approved unanimously.

The Security report was emailed to commissioners and included no major incidences.

BEAUTIFICATION, Commissioner Chris von Allmen

Commissioner von Allmen spoke with Greenway Landscapes; they are on board for care of the right of way along Springdale Rd. Pro Turf is already doing preliminary work around the city in preparation for spring. Commissioner von Allmen contacted them regarding lights at the Wolf Creek entrance in Green Spring and Green Spring's main entrance. Commissioner von Allmen also contacted Eagle Sign and Design regarding Green Spring's front entrance rock. There is discussion of modernizing the rock — perhaps with updated lettering. Would also like to replace benches in the median, perhaps with composite material.

FINANCE, Commissioner Stuart Ries

Income from all sources for January 2020 was \$10,567.87. Expenses were \$14,672.37. Major expenses were trash collection (\$6482.90) and holiday decorations (\$1680).

Annual Audit: The audit has been completed. A copy of the audit is available upon request.

\$116,545.89 has been collected from 2019-2020 tax bills. There is one unpaid tax bill, and a tax lien for unpaid taxes will be filed on that property.

TRANSPORTATION, Commissioner David Jenkins

No snow removal required thus far this winter season. There is a patch in the median on Green Spring Drive where the school bus and garbage truck are making a rut in the grass. Please do not drive on median. Commissioner Jenkins will request a RFP for road sealing.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to discuss. **NEW BUSINESS**

Chief Throneberry of the Graymoor-Devondale police department will attend the Green Spring Commissioner's meeting next month. Metro has cut its police force, so there will be a longer response time when Graymoor-Devondale isn't patrolling the neighborhood. Graymoor-Devondale is having to cover more area. The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 pm. The next meeting