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CITY OF GREEN SPRING NEWSLETTER

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Dear Residents,

I hope this finds you well and looking forward to another beautiful Fall in Green Spring. We have some big news to share in this newsletter so make sure you continue reading for some very important information.

PAVING: After nearly two years of deliberation and exploration of the best solutions available to us, we have decided that we will be treating our roads with Liquid Road™, a superior sealcoating product. The project was slated to take place the last two weeks of September, but upon further review with the contractor and manufacturer it was decided that we should schedule this project for early June 2021. While it's disappointing to wait another season, this will ensure best application and performance of the product. We took bids from SealMaster certified contractors (there are 3 in the area) and awarded the project to Commonwealth Paving with an approximate cost of \$195,000. This capital expenditure should extend the life of our roads 10-15 years, allowing us to replenish our funds and eventually repave our roads when needed. Included in the contract:

- ALWAYS WALK FACING TRAFFIC
- NO FALL PICNIC
- BE MINDFUL OF KIDS IN ROAD

- Asphalt sealing with Seal Master Liquid Road, a polymer modified, fiber reinforced asphalt emulsion sealcoat that is superior to other products on the market as it acts as both filler and sealant on the surface.
- Restriping all stop bars and other road marks.
- Ongoing annual maintenance for a period of four years.

We will revisit this in the Spring and send out advance communications, but residents should know that the project will result in all driveways in Green Spring being inaccessible from the road for a day at some point during the project.

GREEN SPRING ENTRANCE PLAQUE: In the coming months you will see a new bronze plaque installed on the existing entrance rock, preserving the original Green Spring engraving while giving the entrance a refreshed look to match the renovations completed in 2012. The plaque will provide an elegant welcome to our residents and guests for the next forty years.

FALL PICNIC: The city has decided to cancel our usual Fall Picnic due to Covid-19. We are sorry for this. We will make the 2021 Fall Picnic better than ever!

KIDS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD: Due to everyone being home more, we have more children/teenagers on bikes, scooters, skateboards and walking in the streets in general. We are so fortunate to have a neighborhood where this can take place. However, I received several reports of children on the wrong side of the road and not looking for traffic. Also not wearing helmets though this is not a law. If you are a parent, please remind your child about the rules of the road; stop at stop signs, always stay to the right if on a bike facing traffic if walking and look out for cars.

If you are a driver in a car, please be more alert than usual. Parents can reinforce the rules daily, but kids are kids and they might forget or make a mistake so please drive cautiously and give grace to our children and teenagers.

If you wish to discuss any of the above matters or other things happening in the city, feel free to contact me or any other commissioners.

Best,

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MINUTES

ABBREVIATED MINUTES FROM THE GREEN SPRING COMMISSIONER'S JUNE 18, MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm in the Wolf Creek Clubhouse by Mayor Trevor Cravens. Present were Commissioners Tom Phillips, Stuart Ries, and City Attorney Chip Hayward. Commissioners Jenkins and von Allmen were absent.

The Security Report was light, containing mainly house watches.

The May minutes were approved unanimously.

City Services, Commissioner Tom Phillips

Permit Applications: Pending February 4806 Bilandon RD. Fence permit application. Pending May 4800 Springdale CT. Fence permit application. Dumpster permit issued to the resident at 4717 Fox Den CT. Dumpster permit 06-20d issued to the resident at 7370 Wolfspring TR. Fence permit 05-20 issued to the resident at 7112 Green Spring DR. Building permit 06-20 issued to the resident at 4414 Deepwood DR. Fence permit 07-20 issued to the resident at 7112 Green Spring DR. Garbage Contract: The City awaits a 1 yr. Extension to our 2018 RUMPKE Contract.

Current rates to apply for an additional year. MSD Drainage: Request made to MSD to evaluate erosion issues at 4511 Deepwood DR. due to runoff coming from Quail Brace CT. area.

For Sale: Quite a few houses are FOR SALE ... or being readied for sale 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>)

Financial Report, Stuart Ries

Income from all sources for May 2020 was \$12,590.20 and expenses were \$14,297.68. Major May expenses included trash collection (\$6,627) and lawn care (\$2,895).

Delinquent Taxes: Payment has been received for a resident's 2019 delinquent taxes. **2019-2020 Fiscal Year:** As the fiscal year comes to a close, the City is looking at an approximate \$25,000 surplus.

There were no reports from the Transportation or Beautification Commissioners this month.

Old Business

Front Entrance Sign Update - Mayor Cravens and Commissioner von Allmen measured the lettering on our current sign. A 66-inch long sign is same cost as a 72-inch sign from Eagle Signs. The price for an 84-inch sign is not significantly greater. Both of these sizes would cover the existing lettering, with bronze over aluminum, anodized copper background. and matching other signs on sides of entrance.

New Business

City Attorney Hayward is in contact with the owner of a rental property that is neglecting lawn care, negotiating a solution.

Next month will be the first reading of the tax ordinance. Same tax rate as current year.

Commissioner Phillips moved to adjourn the meeting, and Commissioner Ries seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 pm. The next meeting will be held at 7 pm on July 15, 2020, in the Wolf Creek Clubhouse.



ABBREVIATED MINUTES FROM THE GREEN SPRING COMMISSION FOR JULY 16, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:11 pm. Present: Mayor Trevor Cravens, Commissioners Stuart Ries & Tom Phillips, and City Attorney Chip Hayward.

June minutes were approved unanimously.

Security report was emailed and included a few speeding tickets.

Beautification, Commissioner Chris von Allmen

The following report was emailed: ProTurf has completed a number of projects around the city to include the replacement of dead loss, repair of landscape lighting, and additions of landscape lighting where appropriate. A new front entrance sign was chosen and Eagle sign should have this installed in the next couple of months.

Transportation, Commissioner David Jenkins

The following report was emailed: We have progressed to the bid phase of the road surfacing project; we expect all bids to be received by end of next week, at which time I will request & circulate details to the city council for consideration and approval. We are aiming for an end of August time frame for the work to be completed; in speaking with Sealmaster this week they are confident that we can make that time frame work. Still working on getting an estimate on the additional sidewalk work on the Wolf Spring Drive section of Green Spring. NO snow to report for June or July

City Services, Commissioner Tom Phillips

Pending action -- Fence permit application: February 4806 Bilandon RD.; May 4800 Springdale CT.; May 4815 Clipping CT. May 4815 Clipping CT. Request made to MSD to evaluate erosion issues at 4511 Deepwood DR. due to runoff coming from Quail Brace CT. area. Permit Applications – Dumpster & Building Permit Application provided to the resident at 4813 Clipping CT. Fence & Gate permit 08-20 issued to the resident at 7506 Clipping Cross RD.

Garbage Contract: RUMPKE has approved a one-year extension effective July 1, 2020 to our 2018 contract addendum, which dates back to a 2008 contract. Current rates to apply for the additional year. RFP will go out April 2021 for trash collection. For Sale: Several houses are FOR SALE or being readied for sale in the City. Please give our new resident a warm WELCOME and advise the Commission the residents name, address (& email address) so they can receive a City Directory (view Directory at:

<https://www.atozdirectories.com/nom/login/php>)

Finances, Commissioner Stuart Ries

June Financial Statement: Income from all sources for June 2020 was \$1211.02 and expenses were \$38,831.63. Major June expenses were Lawn Care (\$11,297.00) and Signs/Lights (\$8,572).

2019-2020 Fiscal Year: The city ended the fiscal year with a \$28,261.30 surplus.

2020-21 Tax Ordinance: The proposed tax rate for 2020-2021 will be unchanged from the last fiscal year. The proposed rate is \$0.1650 per \$100 of assessed property value.

Old Business

7118 Green Gate Ct.: The deed will be transferred from AT&T to City of Green Spring in the next couple of weeks.

New Business

First Reading of the 2020-21 tax ordinance was done by Mayor Cravens. Tax rate is identical to the past 4 years' tax rate. 2020-21 City Budget was based upon this rate. Municipal aid was reduced in June to ½ of normal amount, so this was taken into account. Second reading will be next month.

Commissioner Phillips made a motion to adjourn, and Commissioner Ries seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 pm. The next meeting will be held on August 20, 2020, at a location TBD.



ABBREVIATED MINUTES FROM THE GREEN SPRING COMMISSION FOR AUGUST 20, 2020

The meeting was called to order via WebEX at 7:05 pm

Present: Mayor Trevor Cravens, Commissioners Stuart Ries, David Jenkins, Chris von Allmen & Tom Phillips, and City Attorney Chip Hayward.

July minutes were approved unanimously.

Security report was emailed and included a few traffic stops and one evening of car break-ins.

City Services, Commissioner Tom Phillips

Pending action – Four Fence permit applications: February 4806 Bilandon RD.; May 4800 Springdale CT.; May 4815 Clipping CT., July 4813 Clipping CT., August 4604 Wolfspring DR. Request made to MSD to evaluate erosion issues at 4511 Deepwood DR. due to runoff coming from Quail Brace CT. area. Permits & Applications – Dumpster Permit provided to the resident at 7504 Springdale RD. For Sale: Several houses are FOR SALE or being readied for sale in the City. Please give our new residents a warm WELCOME and advise the Commission the residents name, address (& email address) so they can receive a City Directory (view Directory at: <https://www.atozdirectories.com/nom/login/php>)

Beautification, Commissioner Chris von Allmen

Entrance Sign should be installed by Mid-September. Dead limbs were removed near catch basin at Bilandon. Electrical was repaired at Springdale and Green Spring Drive. Contacting 7 Seas Construction to verify the addition of a berm at corner lot of Wolf Pen and Green Spring Drive. Planning a cleaning of signs and corridor shrub pruning this month

Finances, Commissioner Stuart Ries

July Financial Statement: Income from all sources for July 2020 was \$2,112.31 and expenses were \$8,280.15. Major June expenses were Trash Collection (\$6,651.60) and Electricity (\$1,290.41).

Old Business: The proposed tax rate for 2020-2021 will be unchanged from the last fiscal year. The proposed rate is \$0.1650 per \$100 of assessed property value.

Transportation, Commissioner David Jenkins

No snow for July/August. Street lamp with cover knocked over – LG&E was called and took care of it. Sidewalk Project: Commissioner Jenkins is in communication with contractor to address the Wolf Creek sidewalk issues. Road Sealing Project: Commissioner Jenkins shared the scope of work for the Road Sealing Project. It is expected that the work will span a period of 7 days, split across two weeks. It is expected that homeowners will not have access to their driveway for a short period. Commissioners discussed communication to residents (flyers, signs, social media), to alert and allow preparation for this inconvenience. Mayor Cravens asked for clarification on the sealing product, its longevity, the impact of the sealing project cost on the budget, and whether the city budget can recover from this expenditure by the time repaving is required. There was a question regarding publicizing the RFP. Attorney Hayward will check to confirm that necessary steps have been taken to meet legal requirements. He will check with League of Cities and let the Commissioners know by this Friday or next Monday before pulling the trigger on this project. Commissioner Ries made a motion to transfer the budgeted amount of the project from the savings account to the checking account in order to fund the road sealing project. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jenkins, and the vote passed unanimously. Commissioner Jenkins will work with Attorney Hayward on reviewing the bids for this process.

Old Business

7118 Green Gate Ct.: The deed transfer has occurred. Tax Ordinance: The second reading of the 2020-21 tax ordinance was given by Mayor Cravens. It was approved unanimously.

New Business

Car break-ins: Commissioners discussed strategies to address the issue of car break-ins that have been affecting city residents. Another area neighborhood has utilized license plate recognition cameras, which could potentially be installed at the three entrances to Green Spring, as well as on the street from Wolf Creek leading into Green Spring. Chief Throneberry has stated that car break-ins are the top crime in Jefferson County. Commissioner von Allmen commented that that cameras could provide safety to residents, and also have a positive impact on property values. We may invite Chief Throneberry to next meeting to discuss use of this technology. Mayor Cravens will look into cost, as well.

Commissioner Phillips made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Commissioner Ries seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm. The next meeting will be held on September 17, 2020, at a location TBD.