

PRELIMINARY MINUTES FROM THE 20APR2023 MEETING OF THE GREEN SPRING COMMISSION

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm by Mayor John Morton. Present were Commissioners Stuart Ries and Chris von Allmen, City Attorney Chip Hayward, and City Clerk Caryl Conklin.

The March meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

Security Report was emailed to commissioners and included nothing of significance.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BEAUTIFICATION (Chris von Allmen)

Eagle Sign sign ran into rock when attempting installation of Historic Wolf Pen Sign in front of the neighborhood. Renting drill to install.

ProTurf will be addressing plant loss and replacement in the next month. Annuals will be installed mid-May. Deadloss is greater than anticipated due to harsh winter temperatures. Looks like \$8-10,000 cost to replace. Commissioner Ries recommends to delay billing and apply to next year's budget. Replacement to occur in next few weeks.

Greenway – Renewed contract to mow Springdale corridor.

Wolf Pen Preservation with assistance from Scott Reed has completed their planting at the corner of Wolf Pen and Springdale.

CITY SERVICES (Josh Combs)

The following report was submitted by email: There was a water line leak on the property on Greengate Ct. that is now a public parcel. This is the location where all the utilities are located. I was notified while in Florida by a neighbor about the leak being visible from the surface. I called Louisville water to report the leak, and they came out that day (4/1) and repaired the leak.

Easter egg hunt was a huge success. Very good turnout, considering it was during spring break.

There was an issue with the dog trash containers in the center median. I did reach out to Rumpke who did agree to service those. However, Chris had already reached out to ProTurf to resolve the issue.

TRANSPORTATION (Trevor Cravens)

The following report was submitted by email: Sidewalk replacement was expected to begin on or around April 18, but was delayed. Expected to be done within two weeks.

Stop sign at Wolf Spring and Green Spring reported to have loose stop sign. Reported to sign company for repair. Per Commissioner Ries – is fixed.

Commissioner Ries -- there is an area on Deepwood Drive where a pothole is forming.

FINANCE (Stuart Ries)

Income for March was \$10,404.19. Expenses for March were \$14,118.64. Major March expenses were trash collection (\$7,383.00) and lawn care (\$2,730).

The annual compliance report for Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) has been filed and the System for Awards Management system (SAMS) registration has been updated.

The City received a check for \$13,348.67 for the 2022 franchise fee from Charter Communications. This is a \$584.72 or 4.5% increase over the 2021 franchise fee.

New Business: A preliminary 2023-2024 budget is attached. The budget is based on a tax rate of \$0.145 per \$100 of assessed value (unchanged) and shows income of \$248,450.00 with expenses of \$235,896.00. There are no "special projects" in the 2023-2024 budget.

OLD BUSINESS

City of Green Spring is now member of Kentucky League of Cities and Jefferson County League of Cities

NEW BUSINESS

2023-2024 Budget: 1st reading of budget for July to June 2023-2024 by Caryl Conklin. Commissioner Ries stated that there is a 5% increase in expenses year over year. Will add money for new lights. Also \$3500 for audit. Shows \$12,000 income.

Green Spring 50th Anniversary: Mayor Morton had a meeting with Jasmine Drinkard and Karen Fedor regarding the 50th anniversary of the City of Green Spring.

We are exploring combining the 50th with the Fall Festival in October 2024. An official date has not yet been determined. We reviewed the 25th anniversary from 1999.

We are requesting ideas from the residents and volunteers for this exciting event.

Please contact me at mayor@cityofgreenspring.com to submit your ideas and any volunteers.

Reconciling Deed restrictions with City Ordinances: Per City Attorney Hayward, deed restrictions cannot be enforced by the City of Green Spring; the only way to enforce a deed restriction is for a homeowner or the city of Louisville to go to court & file/issue injunction. The court/judge can enforce deed restrictions. No warnings can be issued. Suggests hiring a service to review city ordinances and check several points: ensure they are not out of date, are in compliance with KRS or zoning, and advise which to anticipate (e.g., regulation on solar panels). He advises moving forward to codify deed restrictions; will need to do this on a line-by-line basis. Commissioner von Allmen would like to see all deed restrictions uploaded to American Legal. Suggests a holistic approach / overhaul of ordinances, including a tree ordinance. City Attorney Hayward recommends looking at Audubon Park tree ordinance for guidance. He will have update at next meeting on recommendation for a company to review Green Spring's ordinances.

Commissioner Ries motioned to adjourn the meeting, and Commissioner von Allmen seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 7:46pm. The next commissioners meeting will be held on May 18, 2023 at Old National Bank.