

PRELIMINARY MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 16, 2023 MEETING OF THE GREEN SPRING COMMISSION

Meeting was called to order at 7:08pm by Mayor John Morton. In attendance were Commissioners Stuart Ries, Chris von Allmen, Josh Combs, and Trevor Cravens. City Attorney Chip Hayward and City Clerk Caryl Conklin were also present.

Commissioner Ries motioned to approve the October meeting minutes as amended, and Commissioner von Allmen seconded the motion. October meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

Security Report was emailed to commissioners and included mainly house watches.

Residents' Concerns: no residents were present.

COMMITTEE REPORTS BEAUTIFICATION (Chris von Allmen)

- Winterization of sprinklers has occurred.
- Working with Stemler Corporation, ProTurf, and Louisville Water company regarding backflow prevention testing. A couple were missed when previously deemed as retired. System is winterized now and will likely hold off on completion until opening of system next year.
- Christmas lights and decorations are going up and expected to be on the Friday after Thanksgiving from dusk to dawn. Minimal replacement of light strands may be necessary.

CITY SERVICES (Josh Combs)

Commissioner Combs has been contacted by residents who have seen several unmarked police cars pulling over vehicles in the city. Mayor Morton talked to Lyndon Police Chief, who confirmed that they have stopped a few people lately. Drivers have been witnessed doing rolling stops or driving through stop signs.

FINANCE (Stuart Ries)

Income for October was \$20,720.33. Income included \$8,746.94 from insurance premium tax and \$9,537.33 from property taxes. Expenses for October were \$24,109.75. Major October expenses were trash collection (\$7,383.00) and lawn care (\$7,850.00).

Bank Statements: Commissioner Ries provided the 3 bank statements to commissioners for review.

2023-2024 Taxes: As of November 15, 2023, \$41,620.25 has been collected from 89 residents. Taxes are due December 31, 2023.

TRANSPORTATION (Trevor Cravens)

The Snow Removal contract is signed. Rates are the same as last year, which has been previously reported.

Still awaiting shipping box from Elan City to remove the speed detector sign and ship for repair. They indicated it would be mid-November before they would have any available, so hopefully any day now.

Stonework at entrance has been completed.

OLD BUSINESS

City Clerk Compensation Ordinance No. 5 Series 2023: 2nd reading by Mayor Morton. Commissioner Ries motioned to approve. Combs seconded. Ordinance was approved unanimously.

Green Spring Median Ordinance No. 6 Series 2023: 1st reading by City Attorney Hayward. Ordinance is modeled after Hurstbourne's. Prohibits sleeping, camping, and laying in the median.

Short Term Rental/AirBnB: Hayward contacted KLC, newly appointed attorney is not as responsive as the previous one was.

Process to review ordinances: Hayward contacted American Legal about ordinances; they have not responded. Cravens gave Hayward the name of a contact there in hopes of better response.

NEW BUSINESS

Lydon police officers have been patrolling the city 23 hours per month on average. They are contracted to patrol 30 hours. Mayor Morton will speak to the police chief and ensure that the contracted hours are met. May consider increasing patrol hours with implementation of new budget in 2024.

MAYOR'S CLOSING REMARKS:

Two more volunteers are needed for the Social Committee, so that the city can continue its popular social events. There is minimal time required for this. Contact Mayor Morton if you are interested!

Commissioner von Allmen motioned to adjourn the meeting, and Commissioner Ris seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 7:34pm. The next Commissioners meeting will be held December 21, 2023 at Old National Bank.