

August 2016 Minutes of Woodlawn Park City Council

The Woodlawn Park City Council met on August 15, 2016 at Woodlawn Park City Hall. Present were, Mayor Larry Lewis, Council Members, Tom Nunn, Doug Watson, Donna Rand, Scott Horn and George Langford and Chief Bob Heaton, Attorney Matt Carey, Treasurer Gloria Curran and City Clerk Chana Elswick. Absent was Council Member Greg Claypool.

The meeting began at 7:00 pm. The meeting was started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The council reviewed the minutes for the July 18, 2016 Council Meeting. Tom made a motion to accept the minutes. Doug seconded the motion. All voted aye and the minutes were approved as corrected.

Gloria Curran gave the Treasurer's report. She reviewed revenues and expenses, the general ledger and the balance sheet for July, 2016 with the Council. Tom made a motion to accept the report. Doug seconded the motion. All voted aye and the report was approved.

Chana gave the Clerk's report. She gave the hit report for the website. She is finishing the cross-referenced index for the ordinances. She will send the final copy to Larry to review.

Chief Heaton gave the Police report for July. There were 2 citations, 2 vehicles were towed, 20 city warnings, 20 assists, 121 miscellaneous runs, 1 report for a house on Schuwey and Perryman that had a weed eater stolen. A house on Westport Road also had 2 weed eaters taken from the garage. He had 2 new welcomes. He is still working on house numbers. He had \$176.00 in gas and \$ 88.50 in miscellaneous expenses. He bought an OSHA approved Police vest. Larry stated LMPD 5th District has a crime map. There are all kinds of incidents around us, but none in our City. 5th District reported 15 autos broken into in the past week, with half of them unlocked vehicles. There were also 6 burglaries and 2 robberies in the 5th District. Larry stated Chief Heaton and Big Blue are good for the City. Chief Heaton stated George and the Block Watch are also good for the City.

Guests: Variance: Matthew Biberman, 4247 Middlebrook, stated he was issued a permit to build a fence. He stated he was not sure if he needed a variance request. Larry stated as long as the fence met the requirements he would not. Scott stated he issued a permit for a rear fence and the resident needs a variance for the side yard. He stated he did not know it would all be built at one time. Scott and Mr. Biberman discussed the conversation they had. Mr. Biberman reviewed how they laid out the fences. He stated he disagreed with Scott on where he was told to place the fence. Larry asked if he had a drawing. Mr. Biberman stated he did not. And he asked Scott if he had the drawing. Scott stated he did not have a drawing of the yard and fence. Larry stated it is part of the permit request to submit a drawing. Larry advised that Mr. Biberman needed a drawing and to request a variance from the Council. He drew a picture of the lot and the current installed fence for Council to review. Larry stated that generally the fence cannot go out past the building line. Mr. Biberman presented the drawing to the Council and requested a variance for a 3.5 foot fence in the side yard, 104 feet around the area. Approximately 4 feet back from the front of the house and 20-30 feet beyond the building line of the house on Perryman. Scott stated he accepted partial responsibility for Mr. Biberman not getting a variance before he put up the fence. He is sorry for any misunderstanding. Larry stated it is unfortunate that there is no paper trail. He stated he has had calls about the fence because it is too far out in front of the build line. Mr. Biberman reviewed what he thought he was allowed to build. Donna asked if it would be difficult to modify the fence to be more in compliance. Larry asked the Council to vote on a variance. Donna, No, George, Yes, Scott, Yes, Doug, No, Tom, No. Larry stated he can come to the next meeting to present a modified request. Mr. Biberman asked how long he had to remove the fence. George stated to give him one month to remove the fence or come to the next meeting. Larry stated to come back with a modified request and if that is rejected he will have to remove the fence immediately.

Residents: None

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Mayor's Report

Election: Larry stated the ballot placement had been drawn and there were 7 candidates for 6 positions on the Council.

Code Enforcement: Larry stated there were 2 paid citations. The Chief had an abandoned car towed. He explained how towing works. The violator paid their ticket. The 1st Monday in September is Labor Day and the Board will hold its meeting on that date.

2016 Kentucky Legislative Session: Larry stated that there had been a discussion at the previous meeting about a hearing officer and District Court. He gave copies of a bill passed by the State to the Council. House Bill 422 is about Code Enforcement and Hearing Officers. Matt is reviewing the bill. He will present his findings at the next meeting.

Rental Fees: Larry stated he thinks the structure is unfair because it is based on owner, not on the number of properties. It is a minimum of \$250.00 or 1-1.5% of rent collected. He suggested a \$250.00 minimum per property, not per owner. He stated there are 7 or 8 owners that own multiple properties in the City.

Snow Removal: Larry gave Council a copy of the current contract with Brownsboro Lawn Care and the new proposal also. Larry reviewed why the City should stay with them. He compared both contracts. He stated some of the charges for plowing had gone down in price. Larry reviewed the changes. His recommendation is to stay with Brownsboro Lawn Care, and use option 2 of the contract. Tom stated he would like to consider multi-year pricing. Tom made a motion to do a multi-year contract for snow removal with Brownsboro Lawn Care. Doug seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion was approved.

Ice Cream Social: Larry stated the rain delayed parade became an ice cream social at City Hall. Donna made a book of the photos of the social. .

Council Focus

Historian/Archivist Donna Rand stated 100-120 residents attended the ice cream social. She thinks the committee is looking at other events. She stated they did an outstanding job with the event

Drainage/Sanitation/Block watch George Langford stated there were no drainage or sanitation complaints. On 8/02/16 he went to National Neighborhood Night Event. On 8/11/16 he went with the Chief and the Mayor to "Click it or Ticket" at State Butler. He posted District 5 events and car break-ins on the website. The ice cream social committee members are Block Watch members.

Lighting Doug Watson stated LG&E trimmed the tree at the end of Wingate. He turned in reports for 4308 Westport Terrace, 4311 Kinloch for lights out. Larry asked the Chief to check the light at Westport Terrace going into the Kroger lot to see if it is out.

Fences and Permits Scott Horn stated he had requests for 4247 Middlebrook for a rear fence and 608 Stivers for a replacement fence. Stivers is in compliance. Larry stated a house on Darbrook had a fence put up and asked if they had an existing fence. Chief Heaton will look at it. Scott has not had a request for a fence permit.

Streets & Signs Tom Nunn stated he had nothing to report. Larry stated tow away zone signs had been ordered.

City Hall Greg Claypool was absent. Larry asked if the old flag had been given to Scott to dispose of. Scott stated it had not.

Doug stated someone on Alicent had a sign up about Bible Study and he wanted to know if this is a protected entity. George asked if the City had someone that picked up trash. Larry stated there was. George asked if that person could clean off the sidewalk in the Spring. Larry discussed the sidewalk cleaning.

Tom made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Doug seconded the motion. All voted aye and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Chana R. Elswick
City Clerk