

## **January 2013 Minutes Of Woodlawn Park City Council**

The Woodlawn Park City Council met on January 21, 2013, at Woodlawn Park City Hall. Present were, Mayor Mike Brown, Council Members, Becky Ritz, Tom Nunn, Greg Claypool, Larry Lewis, George Langford and Doug Watson, Treasurer Gloria Curran, Attorney Matt Carey, Chief Bob Heaton, and City Clerk Chana Elswick.

The meeting began at 7:30 pm. The meeting was started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The council reviewed the minutes for the December 17, 2012, Council Meeting. Doug made a motion to accept the minutes. George seconded the motion. All voted aye and the minutes were approved.

Gloria Curran gave the Treasurer's report. She reviewed revenues and expenses, the general ledger and the balance sheet for December with the Council. She stated that current audit adjustments were due to the audit. Becky asked about the date of the TLD bill. Gloria stated it was for November services. Becky made a motion to accept the report. Larry seconded the motion. All voted aye and the report was approved. Gloria stated the auditor will attend the next meeting.

Mike asked if there were any guests that would like to approach Council. John Toombs, 6804 Green Meadow Circle, stated neighbors at 6800 and 6802 Green Meadow Circle do not rake leaves. He gave a handout to the Council and spoke about the neighbor's yards and not cleaning up properly. He stated he keeps his yard free of debris and has to keep cleaning the neighbors' leaves from his yard. He asked about fines for lot maintenance. George stated he has said many times that leaves in ditches are problems. He stated this has been in many newsletters. Greg stated he has the same problem in his yard, with neighbor's leaves. Greg asked if Mr. Toombs had spoken with his neighbors. He stated he has not. Mike stated the lot maintenance ordinance does not mention leaves, specifically. It is up to the Chief to determine if the lot needs to be cited. Mr. Toombs stated the neighbor's swale is full of leaves. Mike stated the Chief could issue a citation. Mr. Toombs stated he had been given the ok for a temporary chicken wire fence to stop the leaves, but it had been removed. Greg stated that he thinks leaves are covered by the ordinance. He discussed the lot maintenance ordinance.

### **Mayor's Report**

Water Company Project Mike stated the containers on Darbrook and Stivers are for outside corrosion on the pipes. The project will be finished when the weather cooperates.

Ambridge Circle Mike stated a free tree was received from Ecotech at the KLC dinner. It will be placed on Ambridge Circle.

Grounds keeping Bid Mike stated he would like to put out for bids the grounds keeping. There were no objections from the Council. Larry stated the bids need to specify the number of mowings. Mike gave a list of jobs and areas to Council. He will place an ad and have a bid package. He will also ask about snow removal. Mike discussed using "Magic Salt" and that TLD does not have the equipment to apply it. Larry asked to include this in the bid package. Greg stated he might have information about duties and a map. There was a discussion on how to publish a request for bids. Mike will place an ad in the Voice. He stated he also wants a bid for shrubs at the entrances. He will see if District 7 can help with this.

Curb Painting The curb at Walser and Westport Road will be painted with white reflective paint in the spring.

City Pride Awards Mike stated the award was given to 802 Beechwood Rd for the landscaping of a rental property.

City Flag Mike stated the City flag is tattered. He stated it is \$135.00 for 1 or 6 for \$88.00 each. Larry stated to buy the extras and keep on hand for replacements. Mike stated the banners still look good. Greg asked if Mike had a cost for the American Flag. Mike stated he did not. Mike asked for Council's permission to purchase 6 flags that may last for 3 years. George made a motion to purchase the flags. Larry seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion was passed.

Mike stated the email list was up to 145 residents. He stated everyone opens the email at least once.

**Old Business Police Car** Mike thanked Council for the discussion last month. He will bring more information in a couple of months.

**New Business None**

Chana gave the Clerk's report. She gave the hit report for the website. She mailed the newsletter to the residents that requested it not be emailed. She stated she had mailed all forms to the State.

Chief Bob Heaton gave the Police report. He had attended school for the past week. He is finished with school for the year. There were 2 city citations, 8 city warnings, 11 motorist assists, 1 backup, 108 miscellaneous runs, and \$169.00 in expenses. He will check on Green Meadow Circle in the morning. He stated there had been several break-ins in surrounding cities, but none in Woodlawn Park.

#### **Council Focus**

**Fences and Permits** Doug Watson stated he had nothing to report .

**Streets and Signs** Larry Lewis stated the permit request for the retaining wall sign had been misplaced. It was resubmitted for just using adhesive. There was a discussion about painting the letters or not. Larry stated he will try to get the letters from Eagle signs. There will be a horse on each side of the letters

**Ordinance Review** Greg Claypool stated had reviewed Windy Hills ordinance regarding signs for businesses in yards. Matt will review it and make any changes. Greg stated there could be a fine for signs left on the property. Matt had questions about the types of signs included. Ad signs versus working signs was discussed. Matt stated political signs would be exempt. He will work on the ordinance.

**Welcome** Tom Nun stated he had welcomed 1 new resident and had 2 more to welcome. Greg had told him about new renters.

**City Hall** Becky Ritz stated the Christmas decoration were taken down. She will decide on the Garden Club meeting in the next couple of months. The Book Club will meet 01/24/13.

Becky asked for the minutes to reflect that Swain Plumbing had paid the Business License fee . The Council had made a mistake due to a recording error.

**Emergency Preparedness** George Langford stated that the area at Wingate had been started to be cleared. They will build a culvert in the back and connect to the pipe. This could be done in 4-5 months , if the weather holds up. He stated he went out during the rainstorm and culverts and ditches were not cleared out. Greg asked if this needs an ordinance. George asked if the City already had one to cover this. Becky suggested placing information in the newsletter. Mike stated he is against an ordinance for clearing ditches. He stated he would like to get a quote on the cost of picking up leaves one time a year, like St Matthews. Becky suggested sending flyers to residents. George suggested the Block Watch captains could deliver it and suggested scheduling a meeting. There was a discussion of clearing ditches, water flow and home owner's responsibilities. There was a discussion of possibly amending the current ordinance. George stated he would like to do a flyer and include the ordinance and state it will be enforced if it continues.

Mike stated he had spoken with Brent Fryrear who works for a recycling center in New Albany. He offered a tour to the Council. ID was short a truck and combined trash and recycling for a few residents. Brent stated he will help out with the Ethics Committee.

Tom made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Greg seconded the motion. All voted aye and the meeting was adjourned at 8:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Chana R. Elswick  
City Clerk