

June 2013 Minutes Of Woodlawn Park City Council

The Woodlawn Park City Council met on June 17, 2013, at Woodlawn Park City Hall. Present were, Mayor Mike Brown, Council Members, Becky Ritz, Greg Claypool, Larry Lewis, George Langford, Tom Nunn 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 May 20, 2013 Council Meeting. Tom made a motion to accept the minutes. Becky 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 May with the Council. Becky made a motion to accept the report. Tom seconded the motion. All voted aye and the report was approved. Gloria stated there are 37 rentals in the City and all are current for the rental license fee.

Guests

Becky Collings, 706 Ahland Road, stated she is concerned about homes in Woodlawn Park. She had a list of 7 houses in disrepair. She listed some of the houses and the issues. 4204 Stivers Ct, the lattice on the deck has fallen down, and the fence has slats out of it. 4204 Stivers Ct, does not mow the yard. 703 Stivers, has viciously barking dogs. She will give the list to the Chief. Mike stated 703 Stivers had been cited. He stated foreclosures are being worked on. Chief Heaton explained how he cites and warns residents. Jim Collings stated that these properties are bringing down property values. He asked for the proper procedure to report and the procedure of the follow-up. Mike stated the City can cite for grass and for anything else to call 311. Becky asked if the Chief could go into the Collings yard to see the neighbor's yard. George stated he had responded to concerns on Green Meadow Circle and understands the residents' concerns. Mrs. Collings stated she thought the ordinance was for the house to look nice. George stated that was incorrect. Mike explained how Council and ordinances work for property upkeep.

Steve Condit, 806 Stivers Road, concerned about area behind yards and behind the shopping center. He saw a group of teenagers hiding in the trees. Larry stated to call St Matthews Police or Louisville Metro. George stated the graffiti had been removed. Mr. Condit asked about the city tax due date. Gloria stated they will be mailed in July.

Danny Cash, 803 Ahland Road, stated he was cited for building a shed on his property. He stated he believes he is in compliance. He read ordinance #10 from the directory to the Council. He stated he went to the Code Enforcement meeting. He appealed the citation and was treated rudely and was dismissed. He stated he was told to come to the Council meeting. Mike asked him to explain what he wanted from the Council. Mr. Cash stated the citation was for no permit and per the Chief, no permit was needed. Larry stated that if the citation was for no permit, and none was needed, the citation should be dismissed. Doug stated that when he met with Mr. Cash he showed him where the shed could be placed in the yard so it was obscured from view and would be in ordinance. Mike stated he wants to know if a citation still exists since he went to the Code Enforcement Board. Chief Heaton stated you can see the shed when you pull in the driveway. He stated Mr. Cash had been instructed to ask for a variance. Mike took a roll call vote for a variance on the shed construction. Greg - Aye, Tom - No, Doug - No, Becky - No, Larry - Aye, George - Aye. Mike voted No and the variance was not granted. Council discussed the shed and the ordinance. Chief Heaton asked what will happen if Mr. Cash does not go back to Code Enforcement. Matt stated a lien can be placed.

Mayor's Report

Mike stated the directory will come out in July and the newsletter will be mailed in October.

Mike reviewed the email stats for the past year.

Mike stated the city has a new fax number 502-384-0199.

This month's City Pride award was given to 614 Stivers, Claudette Elder and 6894 Green Meadow Circle, Fred and Suzanne Dugan. Mike stated residents are nominating neighbors for being helpful.

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 gave the Council a copy of a new Welcome Packet for new residents.

She suggested sending this with the directory so all residents will have the same information. Mike stated this could be done and he asked the Block Watch to deliver the directory and packet.

Chief Bob Heaton gave the Police report. There were 4 city citations, 21 motorist assist, 1 backup, 109 miscellaneous runs, and 2 reports. Chief and George are making a list of houses missing house numbers. He will give all residents paperwork to have house numbers on the property. He stated that a Block Watch meeting will be held Thursday at 7:30. George will lead the meeting. A solicitor had been issued a warning. He stated the car is 13 years old and needed repairs.

Old Business Chana gave the second reading of Ordinance #1 series 2013-2013. A roll call vote was taken: George – Aye, Larry –Aye, Becky - Aye, Tom – Aye, Doug – Aye, Greg – Aye. All voted Aye and the ordinance was approved. Chana gave the second reading of Ordinance #2 series 2013-2014. A roll call vote was taken: George – Aye, Larry –Aye, Becky - Aye, Tom – Aye, Doug – Aye, Greg – Aye. All voted Aye and the ordinance was approved.

New Business Mike stated Chris Seidt will be added to the Ethics Committee, if Council approves. He stated there needs to be 3 members on the Committee. George made a motion to accept Chris Seidt for the Ethics Committee. Doug seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion was passed.

Council Focus

Fences and Permits Doug Watson stated 4301 Kinloch, 6869 Green Meadow Circle, 6803 Green Meadow Circle, 4304 Alicent Road and 816 Beechwod Road had applied for permits.

Emergency Preparedness George Langford stated 62 houses did not have house numbers. Several have letters, but they should be numbers. He has called or contacted all Block Watch members for the 06/20/13 meeting. He will try to get volunteers. Mike discussed disaster planning. He asked George to get the Block Watch up and running. George stated that after the day's storm, a lot of ditches were full, but most of the water had left the City. He stated that 6817 Green Meadow Circle was burglarized by a former foster child.

Streets and Signs Larry Lewis stated that all street signs were up and all the street lights were working. He will order temporary stop signs.

Ordinance Review Greg Claypool stated he will send a letter to the Board of realtors.

Welcome Tom Nunn stated he had welcomed 3 new residents.

City Hall Becky Ritz stated the Book Club will meet on the 27th.

George stated he is waiting for the Mayor to walk the City with him.

Mike gave Council a copy of an email about basketball goals.

Tom made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Becky seconded the motion. All voted aye and the meeting was adjourned at 8:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Chana R. Elswick
City Clerk