

MAY 2023 WOODLAWN PARK CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES (Revised)

The Woodlawn Park City Council met on Monday, May 15, 2023. Present were: Mayor Mike Brown, Council Members: Melinda Breslin, Nancye Claypool, George Langford, Tom Nunn and Doug Watson. Also in attendance were Charlie Veeneman, Pat Merrick, and Attorney, Matt Carey. Absent: Ed Purcell.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The Meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a roll call of Council Members.

Mayor Mike Brown began the meeting wishing all mothers present "A Happy Mom's Day". He thanked Nancye Claypool for raising and lowering the flag for all the many reasons (Fallen honors, deaths, etc.) He also thanked Nancye for donating a new American Flag for City Hall. He thanked Jim Reh for his help with choosing the new Police Chief and Code Enforcement Officer.

The Council reviewed the Minutes for April 2023. Doug Watson made a motion to accept the Minutes and Tom Nunn seconded the motion. All voted aye and the Minutes were accepted.

The Council reviewed the Treasurer's Report for April 2023. Tom Nunn made a motion to accept the Report and Doug Watson seconded the motion. All voted aye and the Report was accepted. Mayor Mike Brown asked Charlie Veeneman about moving money from Eclipse Bank to PNC. Charlie will take care of it.

Pat Merrick had nothing new to report. Mayor Mike Brown introduced Jennifer Osborne, the new City Clerk. She will start July 1, 2023. She will be the Clerk/Treasurer. She will take minutes for all City Council meetings, update the data base and will have several new Treasurer duties. Tom Nunn made a motion asking the Council to accept Jennifer Osborne as the Clerk/Treasurer. A roll call of Council Members was held. All voted aye and Jennifer was accepted as Clerk/Treasurer.

Resident's Comments: Fan Waddle of 4300 Darbrook Road, asked about the property at 4246 Darbrook Road. There has been a lot of traffic in and out of the house and she recently found out it was an Air B & B. She asked if the short term rental ordinance could be repealed. The Council will look into it and will follow up later in the summer. They will check what type of fee they paid.

Brian Weinberg of 908 Perryman asked about the new Chief hire. He had questions for the new Police Chief and Mayor. He also asked about forming a law enforcement committee.

Variance Request: None

Police Chief: Mayor Mike Brown introduced Grady Throneberry as the new Woodlawn Park Police Chief. He has over 30 years of experience. He is a former Graymoor/Devondale police

officer who lives nearby. He will work 160 hours per month. He had many positive recommendations from his former employers and Mayors. He will begin June 1, 2023.

Grady addressed the Council and spoke about community policing, keeping property values up, and looking forward to working with the Council. George Langford asked him about other police departments he worked for. He has worked at Lyndon, Graymoor/Devondale and Audubon Park. Tom Nunn asked if he will wear a uniform. He said yes, but it will be more relaxed, he will have a Class A and Class B uniform. Mike Brown asked him to elaborate on his accomplishments, which he said he was proud to help put the new Lyndon Police Department together, he helped the Mayor of Lyndon to establish the new department. He was a former pastor and he helped to get the Detention Center back downtown.

Mayor Mike Brown asked the Council to accept Grady Throneberry as the new Police Chief of Woodlawn Park. A roll call was held and all voted aye and the Chief was accepted.

Old Business

The property at 6942 Ambridge Circle has been auctioned and sold for \$190,000. The new owners will clean it out and flip it. Tom Nunn will check about the grass being cut. The new owners will be liable to pay the back property taxes owed to the City.

Mayor Mike Brown gave the State Department until April 30th to clean the ditch at I-264. They emailed him back and said they will get it cleaned out this summer.

Mayor Mike Brown asked the Council to review the latest newsletter. It will be sent out next week. Mayor Mike Brown and Tom Nunn researched areas that residents have been complaining about speeding. They discussed adding 3 new Stop signs (\$1900 installed) and adding speed humps (\$185 per hump). They discussed polling the neighborhood regarding the Stop signs and Speed humps. Tom Nunn made a motion to use ARPA funds to purchase signs in the new fiscal year. Nancye Claypool seconded the motion. All voted aye to accept the motion.

New Business

The Council reviewed the budget with Charlie Veeneman. Mayor Mike Brown wants to buy a taser, a police computer/scanner, bulletproof vest and a body camera with this year's budget. He wants to use ARPA funds for two new radios, new banners for the City, and the Mayor's phone and the City Official Academy. Also, the Crown Vic needs work done.

Tom Nunn introduced the 1st Reading of Ordinance 1, 2023/2024 budget. Nancye Claypool seconded the motion. Pat Merrick read the 1st reading. The second reading will be at the next meeting.

Tom Nunn introduced the 1st Reading of Ordinance 2, 2023/2024 of the Ad Valorem Tax. Nancye Claypool seconded the motion. Attorney Matt Carey read the 1st reading. The second reading will be at the next meeting.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Mike Brown attended the JCLC meeting on April 20th. Dr. Marty Polio gave an update on JCPS and spoke about weapon detectors being installed in schools. Louisville has not met the amount needed to be reimbursed from FEMA.

City Hall needs updating. Mike asked for volunteers to help clean up the basement, repair the front railing, garbage can platform and painting and repairing the walls.

Council Focus

Community Events/Block Watch: Mayor Mike Brown read Ed Purcell's report. He is working on the Fourth of July Parade. It will be Tuesday, July 4th and begin at 10:30 a.m. at Beechwood and Kinloch and will end up at the Church with snacks. He will be working with the new Police Chief regarding the Block Watch.

Welcoming Committee/City Hall/Little Library: Nancye Claypool worked with Mayor Mike Brown on the Woodlawn Park Welcome Packet. She thanked the Mayor for the Yard Sale, it was a great success. The Little Library is totally full.

Let's Get Prepared: George Langford reported the Primary Election is Tuesday, May 16th. It is National Wildlife Month and National Hurricane Prevention Month. He and his grandson cleared the ditch at I-264. He received a call from a neighbor about someone spraying houses.

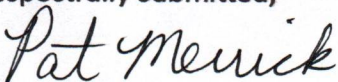
Fence and Building Permits: Melinda Breslin reported she had no new permits this month and spoke about grants for the city.

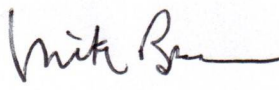
New Moves/Rentals: Doug Watson reported one sale at 4322 Wingate Road. There are two houses for sale and one is under contract. There is 1 Air B & B on Darbrook Road.

Streets and Signs: Tom Nunn spoke about an incident on his street. Kids tried to kick in a door, but ran off and did not get in. The police were called.

Tom Nunn made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Nancye Claypool second the motion. All voted aye and the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Pat Merrick, Clerk


Mike Brown, Mayor