

Council Meeting Minutes

July 20, 2015

The regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council of Audubon Park was held on Monday, July 20, 2015 at 3340 Robin Road, with the following present: Mayor Dorn Crawford and Councilors Darrell Shelton, Joanne Bader, Nancy Zinner, Laura Stevens, Tony Williams and Lindsey Breen. Also present were Chief of Police Doug Sweeney, City Attorney Steve Emery and City Clerk Janette Mercer.

Call to Order

After some video difficulties, Mayor Crawford called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM. He opened the floor for opening public comments.

Public Comments

John Mangino, 3102 Meadowlark – Mr. Mangino reported that he has a cistern in his backyard that was beginning to collapse. He noted that most likely a majority of the properties in Audubon Park have the cisterns and made suggestions on the best way to fill the cavity. He agreed to draft a 'lessons learned' article for the next newsletter.

Bond Proposal

Mayor Crawford introduced Tyson Adams, an attorney from Stites and Harbison. Mr. Adams presented the proposed bond issue from Sacred Heart Schools. He offered the inducement resolution for the bond, and a memorandum of agreement on the undertaking. The Mayor asked for a motion to adopt the resolution for the Sacred Heart bond issue. Joanne Bader made a motion to adopt the resolution. Nancy Zinner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Attorney's Remarks

Mr. Emery noted that the Reesor/Lee case has been dismissed. The judgement was a matter of law. He then updated the Louisville Regional Airport Authority case. On August 10th oral arguments will be presented in Jefferson County Circuit Court. The recodification of ordinances process has been extended. Mr. Emery and the Mayor have discussed the legal review furnished under the recodification contract. There are a couple other issues that Mr. Emery feels need to be considered before the completion of the recodification. He offered to have a written report to the Councilors before the next meeting so they can prepare questions for him.

Police Report

Chief Sweeney reviewed the police report. He noted that 2 officers left and went to the sheriff's office and one officer left to take care of family. The Chief introduced Jeff Schmitt and Jeff Lee as two new candidates for police officers. He also introduced Barry Denton as a new reserve officer. The Mayor asked for a motion to confirm these gentlemen as police officers. Joanne Bader made a motion to confirm these three as police officers. Darrell Shelton seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The bio's for the three officers and the police report are included as part of these minutes.

Financial Report

The Mayor introduced Tony Ahlbrand as the accountant from Accountemps to clean up the financial reports, prepare the books for year-end audit and to train the new bookkeeper. He also noted that the engagement letter for the auditors has been sent to Welenken CPA's, the auditors from last year. Darrell Shelton offered one correction to the draft financial report. After brief discussion, the Mayor asked for a motion to accept the financial report. Darrell Shelton made a motion to accept the financial report. Joanne Bader seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business

The Mayor asked for a motion to take action on the fence variance request for Pat Thompson. Darrell Shelton made a motion to act on the request. Lindsey Breen seconded. The Mayor asked for discussion. There was some discussion in reference to where the fence being erected. Darrell Shelton made a motion to approve the request. Lindsey Breen seconded, and the motion passed with 4 approved (Tony Williams, Darrell Shelton, Lindsey Breen and Nancy Zinner) 1 abstained (Joanne Bader), and 1 opposed (Laura Stevens)

The Mayor presented 4 sets of minutes and asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Laura Stevens made a motion to approve the 4 sets of minutes as presented. Nancy Zinner seconded the motion. There were some discussions about attachments. The 4 sets of minutes were approved with 5 in favor and 1 abstained (Joanne Bader).

The Mayor asked if he could give an abbreviated version of the action item list. He addressed number 48, noting the deadline for sending feedback to the publisher has been extend to the end of September. He also reported that the newest newsletter mentioned under item 63 is out. The last item the Mayor addressed was the standard budget calendar, number 66.

Tony Williams wanted to add to the action item list pothole repairs and street paving. The Mayor noted the Road Fund has \$35K and the new City Engineer has the list of potholes.

New Business

The Mayor presented to the Council the need for a referendum for raising other revenue sources. He asked that they review draft resolutions and ordinances for a public parks levy and/or special project surcharges. After lengthy discussion, the Council decided to defer these initiatives until next year.

The Mayor asked for a motion to adopt *A Resolution Regarding the Recovery and Well-Being of Representative Jim Wayne*. Joanne Bader made a motion to adopt the resolution. Darrell Shelton seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Nancy Zinner noted the Block Party scheduled for August 1 was solely sponsored by the Lally's last year and she wanted to ask that people throw in this year to help pay for the party.

Public Comments

John Mangino, 3102 Meadowlark - Mr. Mangino wanted to express the importance of educating the residents on referendums this next year. He feels that people do not understand referendums, levies and things of that nature.

Nancy Zinner made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Joanne Bader seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

The next scheduled meeting is August 17, 2015.


Attested


Approved