

Council Meeting Minutes

March 18, 2019

The regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council of Audubon Park was held on Monday, March 18, 2019 at 3340 Robin Road, with the following present: Mayor Tony Williams and Councilors Brittney Gorter, Madeline Bozeman, Austin Schwenker, Stephanie George, Andrew Klump and Jennifer Kleier. Also present were Chief of Police Mike Minniear, City Attorney Keith Larson and City Clerk Janette Mercer.

Call to Order

Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Financial Report

The Mayor informed the City is going through the process of finding another bookkeeper, with that said there is not a financial report to present that he feels comfortable to ask for an approval or acceptance. He explained the two reports the Cash Flow Report and the Budget to Actual Report. Andrew Klump explained some errors on the two reports. Austin Schwenker asked if there was going to be Opening Public Comments. The Mayor stated he decided to only have closing public comments to keep the meeting in order because there was a lot to cover.

The Mayor asked for permission for Mike Herrington, the attorney representing the Spalding University Bond could be moved up on the agenda. Mr. Herrington explained the process for the bond approval. Mayor Williams formally opened the hearing on the Spalding University Bond and asked the gallery if there were any questions or comments. The Mayor hearing no comments asked for a motion to approve the final bond resolution. Brittney Gorter made a motion to approve the final bond resolution. Madeline Bozeman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Public Safety

The Mayor noted the written report and opened the floor to Chief Minniear for discussion. Chief Minniear offered a plan for better visibility, by staggering his time and the assistance chief's time. He gave an update on the code enforcement officer.

Forest Board Report

The Mayor noted the written report and opened the floor to Gill Zinner. Mr. Zinner stated the forest board has pruned 187 trees in the right of ways and planted 3 new trees. There were conversations about the pruning programs for the trees in the right of way.

Parks and Recreation Board Report

The Mayor noted the written report and opened the floor for discussion. Stephanie George gave an update on a \$25-dollar advertisement on Facebook as compared to last year without an advertisement. Last year the page produced 8 people interested and 40 attending. This year with the advertisement so far it has 1456 interested and 104 going. She gave some other statistics. The Mayor gave some other updates on the festival. Andrew Klump has reached out to the small businesses on Preston Highway. Mr. Klump worked specifically with Vic's Bike Shop and has planned a family bike ride for Friday night before the Dogwood Festival.

Unfinished Business

Mayor Williams presented the February 19, 2019 meeting minutes for approval and ask for a motion to approve. Austin Schwenker offered a correction to the minutes. Andrew Klump questioned his written disclosure being included as part of the minutes. It was explained to him that the disclosure was not part of the packet, however it is on file at city hall with the official minutes. The Mayor asked of a motion to approve the minutes with the corrections. Madeline Bozeman made a motion to approve with the corrections. Stephanie George seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The Mayor presented the March 4, 2019 minutes for approval. Madeline Bozeman made a motion to approve the minutes. Austin Schwenker seconded, and the motion passed with 5 in favor (Austin Schwenker, Madeline Bozeman, Stephanie George, Jennifer Kleier and Andrew Klump in favor) 1 abstained. (Brittney Gorter abstain)

Austin Schwenker and Stephanie George passed out an example of the resident survey. There were several comments and suggestions for the survey.

Mayor Williams discussed the Budget to Actual report to help the council understand the report. There were several questions and comments about the report. Andrew Klump made a motion to table the discussion on the amended budget ordinance. Austin Schwenker seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

New Business

Mayor Williams asked Andrew Klump to explain the ordinance for insurance business tax rate based on Metro Louisville position. Mr. Klump asked if there were any questions, hearing none, the Mayor asked for the first reading of the Insurance Business Tax amendment. The city clerk executed the first reading. There were several questions in reference to "base fee" and the tax itself. Mr. Larson explained base fees was to set a floor on the tax and to make sure that the residents have been given proper notice. Jennifer Kleier made a motion to approve the first reading of the ordinance. Brittney Gorter seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Williams suggested April 22, 2019 be the date for the Town Hall Meeting at Audubon Country Club or the school. There were comments on what will be discussed at the meeting.

Mayor's Report

The Mayor was happy to report that all the city parks are now listed as owned by the city and we are waiting to establish addresses for each park. He also has ordered new garbage cans for each park. The Mayor and the councilors talked about purchasing a projector and screen or a television for the meeting room to display information during the meetings for the residents to be able to follow along. Austin Schwenker wanted an update on the social media policy and the Spectrum Franchise agreement. Mayor Williams state that both issues were waiting on some legalities and doesn't want to be in a hurry. Andrew Klump asked when will the new Facebook will be made official page.

Closing Public Comments

Darrell Shelton, 919 Audubon Parkway – Mr. Shelton discussed his feelings about the insurance business tax and different scenarios and the affects. There were lengthy discussions about the insurance business tax increase that Metro might impose.

Laura Kelty, 3242 Cross Bill – Ms. Kelty discuss her issues with the insurance business tax and expressed that it is an unfair tax. She talked about her feelings about the tv and a projector for the meetings.

Pete Becker, 3150 Chickadee – Mr. Becker wants opening and closing public comments.

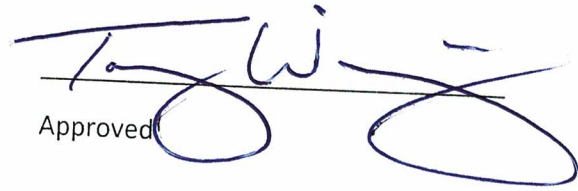
Andrew Klump made a motion to adjourn. Brittney Gorter seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 PM.

The next scheduled meeting is set for April 15, 2019.

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Attested

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Approved