

## **COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MARCH 19, 2012**

The regular scheduled meeting of the City Council, City of Audubon Park, was held on Monday, March 19, 2012, at 3340 Robin Road with the following present: Mayor Michael Scalise along with Council Members Rose Mangino, Gary Vogel, Al Huber, Judy Schwenker, and Patrick Kehoe. Also present were Deputy Police Chief Curtis, City Clerk Stephanie Lee, and Assistant City Attorney Jonathan Leachman. Police Chief Cox and City Attorney Patrick McElhone along with Council Member Cindy Habeeb were all absent from the meeting.

**Call to Order:** Mayor Scalise called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of the Minutes:** Mayor Scalise asked if there were any corrections, additions, or deletions to the minutes from the previous month. Gary Vogel made motion to accept the minutes as presented. Al Huber seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Scalise briefly mentioned the minutes are a synopsis of the meeting and not a word for word transcription of the meeting.

**Public Comments:** The following is a list of people who spoke and a general summary of what they had to say:

1. Peter Becker, 3105 Chickadee – mentioned low wires at Chickadee and Dove Road, and he asked if someone can ride by to take a look at them.

Mayor Scalise said someone will take a look; and he said they will contact LG&E, AT&T, or whoever the lines belong to regarding the situation.

2. Nancy Heine, 3219 Oriole Drive – commented about dogs running around loose in the area. She specifically mentioned a situation involving her husband walking near Cardinal and Thrush. She said she's noticed it in the Newsletter, but she said she thinks it should be reiterated again. She also mentioned the reports of coyotes in the area. She went on to comment about a cat roaming around her part of the neighborhood as well.

Rose Mangino commented about a dog on her street without a tag, and Al Huber mentioned a lost dog on Cardinal.

Mayor Scalise introduced Col. James Curtis as acting in place of Chief Cox in his absence. He also went on to introduce Jonathan Leachman as acting City Attorney with the absence of Patrick McElhone.

**Financial Report:** The information submitted on the Financial Report showed the figures through the month of February. Patrick Kehoe made motion to accept the Financial Report as presented. Al Huber seconded; and a discussion followed regarding Robert's Rules and seconding a motion as well as payments to Gall's, Decatur Electronics, the University of Kentucky, and Cheaper Than Dirt. Mayor Scalise along with Deputy Chief Curtis explained the payments. The vote was taken with the Financial Report passing unanimously.

**Police Report:** Deputy Chief Curtis read the Police Report for the month of February. A copy of the said report is made a part of these minutes.

Patrick Kehoe (after being given the floor by Mayor Scalise) said he had asked for the Chief to give him the breakdown of the statistics relating to inside versus outside of Audubon Park, and he asked if Chief Cox had passed that along to Deputy Chief Curtis.

Deputy Chief Curtis said that is all he has, and he said it is broken down into Audubon Park and Parkway Village.

**Forest Board Business:** Gilbert Zinner passed out copies of the Forest Board Report dated March 19, 2012 to the Council and Mayor for their review. He mentioned they will be planting 50 new trees on easements and on peoples' properties, and Mayor Scalise later described the program involving the trees. Mr. Zinner also commented about a work day in Henderson Park scheduled for April 14 from 10 A.M. until Noon.

Mayor Scalise mentioned Mayor Greg Fischer's week of service scheduled for April 15<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup>. He said he thinks the work in Henderson Park can be included in the total hours for this.

**Unfinished Business:** Rose Mangino again inquired about doing something at the end of the streets in regard to visibility, and she specifically mentioned Meadowlark. She later mentioned it is hard to see from both sides when trying to pull out.

Mayor Scalise said he has checked it, and he said the City has been dealing with the homeowner regarding the situation. He also mentioned Jason Payne with the Works Department had cleaned at that location approximately a month ago.

**New Business:** Al Huber made motion and introduced and Mayor Scalise read RESOLUTION NUMBER 01, SERIES 2012, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF AUDUBON PARK, KENTUCKY AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR, AND, UPON APPROVAL, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE KENTUCKY OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY (KOHS), TO EXECUTE ANY DOCUMENTS WHICH ARE DEEMED NECESSARY BY KOHS TO FACILITATE AND ADMINISTER THE PROJECT AND TO ACT AS THE AUTHORIZED CORRESPONDENT FOR THIS PROJECT.

Mayor Scalise went into a brief explanation of the grant from the Kentucky Department of Homeland Security to provide equipment for the Police Department.

Patrick Kehoe inquired about the equipment to be purchased with the grant. He later questioned about maintenance issues involved.

Deputy Chief Curtis said this is an ongoing process that is done every year to obtain equipment; and he said it is anything they may need such as computers, car equipment, uniforms, duty weapons, etc. He later added that there is no real cost involved as most of the maintenance is done in-house.

Al Huber said the grant specifies what can be purchased, and Mayor Scalise agreed.

Rose Mangino seconded the motion to accept the Resolution, and the motion passed unanimously.

Al Huber spoke at great length regarding Parliamentary Procedures for meetings and Robert's Rules of Order. He went into an explanation of voting, call to order, quorums, motions, amendments, what needs to be or not be put on the Agenda, meeting control, motion to table, motion to refer, adjournment, point of order, point of privilege, challenge of ruling, recognition, repetition of points, appointing a Parliamentarian, etc. He said these rules are in place to make the meeting run better or to keep a person or group from taking over in the meeting.

Mayor Scalise mentioned the City Officials' Legal Handbook, and Patrick Kehoe inquired about the City paying for training for the Council. Mayor Scalise said he will look into it.

Patrick Kehoe spoke at great length regarding the condition of the roads in the City. He said he thinks they are in bad shape, and he said he has questions. He passed out information sheets relating to cuts in the City streets. He inquired about Road Funds, savings for repaving, the Works Department, State funding, General Funds versus Road Funds, account balances, fund uses, allotment of expenses for audits, items at City Hall to be picked up, the cutting of City streets with or without permits, utilities, Louisville Metro Ordinances relating to cutting streets, changing the current Ordinance, the number of cuts in each street, the Budget, paving cost, etc.

Mayor Scalise said he would like to obtain a copy of Louisville Metro's Ordinance to see how their Ordinance reads in relation to street cuts. He asked Taylor Coots with Councilman Jim King's Office if he can get a copy, and Mr. Coots said he can. Mayor Scalise said he has been looking for financing with the State or somewhere for the road work. He mentioned past grants for paving on Chickadee, etc; and he said the work has to be prioritized.

Al Huber and Gary Vogel agreed about it being a good idea to look at the Louisville Metro Ordinance.

**Mayor's Report:** Mayor Scalise said he had mentioned the week of service from April 15<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup>, and he said he had mentioned the possibility of trying to find funding for the streets. He also added that MSD will be taking down the flagpole at Audubon and Oriole (temporarily) because a manhole cover is located under the flagpole at that location. He thanked Patrick Kehoe for the information from the meeting last month on them taking it down for the City. He also thanked Taylor Coots with Councilman Jim King's Office for helping with the effort. He went on to mention the City had purchased a truck about a month ago from the Commonwealth of Kentucky. He briefly explained the gas mileage difference between the Works vehicles.

Al Huber made motion to adjourn the meeting. Judy Schwenker seconded, and the meeting was adjourned.

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