

Council Meeting Minutes

September 19, 2016

The regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council of Audubon Park was held on Monday, September 19, 2016 at 3340 Robin Road with the following present: Mayor Dorn Crawford and Councilors Tony Williams, Laura Stevens, Nancy Zinner and Joanne Bader. Also present were Chief of Police Douglas Sweeney, City Attorney Steve Emery, bookkeeper Susan Gordinier, and City Clerk Janette Mercer.

Call to Order

Mayor Crawford called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. He opened the floor for public comments.

Opening Public Comments

Louisville Metro Councilor, Pat Mulvihill wanted to take a few minutes to update the residents on events that he feels will impact District 10. He started with the proposal for the K-Mart property. The proposal is a high-end storage space and two restaurants. The proposal will be presented on September 21, 2016 at 6:00 PM at the Allgeier Community Center; he encouraged people to attend. Councilor Mulvihill discussed the centralization of Metro counter-narcotics staffing to help combat the heroin epidemic. He gave an update on the Biodigester: it will not be located near Audubon Park, but near the Jefferson County landfill. The last two subjects Mr. Mulvihill discussed were a rental property registry for all property owners, and a proposal to add "sharrows" on Oriole and Audubon Parkway.

Michael Gardner, 926 Audubon Parkway – Mr. Gardner noted the information about two restaurants as part of the K-Mart proposal, was similar to a proposal for the space in front of the storage complex on Preston, and those restaurants have not come about. He also noted that the turning lane coming off Preston to Audubon Parkway is dangerous because it is too narrow.

Attorney's Remarks

Mr. Emery noted that in the Louisville Regional Airport Authority case the first Court of Appeals brief has been filed. The Kentucky League of Cities Insurance Services matter has not begun briefing. The Reesor 1 case the first brief has been submitted. The Reesor 2 case is awaiting a response from the plaintiffs.

Engineer's Report

The Mayor noted the Engineer's written report and opened the floor for questions. Tony Williams wanted to know if the \$20K budget line for Public Facilities was an estimate for the entire entrance lighting project. The Mayor answered yes. Laura Stevens wants to know the purpose of having both gas and electric lines run to the entrance columns. The Mayor answered so we would have an economical choice of lighting. The report is included as part of these minutes.

Public Safety

Chief Sweeney presented the report. He noted that he has purchased another police car from the City of St. Matthews. He introduced Kelly Jones as a candidate for a reserve officer. Joanne Bader made motion to confirm Mr. Jones as a reserve officer. Tony Williams seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The report is included as part of these minutes.

Financial Report

The Mayor noted the written financial report, and opened the floor for discussion. Joanne Bader asked about the \$5K under Public Safety – Equipment. Chief explained that \$3K was for the new police car and the balance was equipment for the older cars. Ms. Bader asked about the storm damage reserve amount for fiscal year 2016. Susan explained that number will come from the auditor. Joanne Bader also noted that the FY 2016 Utilities and Administrative Costs were over budget.

Tony Williams asked about line item 5454-10, Public Facilities, on both years. He was not clear why on the 2017 report shows no money spent. Mr. Williams noted that money has been spent on the entrance columns, however it is not noted. Susan explained that work on the columns was budgeted for FY 2016, so it appears on the 2016 report.

There were comments on when the 2016 fiscal year will be closed. Susan explained when the audit is completed.

Mayor Crawford asked if the Council will consider discontinuing the Profit and Loss report, since it is redundant. The Council agreed.

Joanne Bader a motion to accept the financial report. Nancy Zinner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The reports are included as part of these minutes.

Forest Board Report

The Mayor noted the written report and opened the floor for questions. Hearing none, the Mayor moved on to the Parks and Recreation. The report is included as part of these minutes.

Parks and Recreation Report

The Mayor noted the written report and opened the floor for questions. Laura Stevens asked about the meeting with the auditors to help with carryover monies. The Mayor answered that information will be included in the audit. Ms. Stevens also wanted to be updated on the amount of money that should be carried over and the processes. Joanne Bader offered information about the finance and accounting meeting referred to in the Parks and Recreation report. Ms. Bader noted that all parties involved came to agreement on processes and waiting on a completed audit of the events for the dollar amount to be carried over.

Tony Williams asked about the when the last swing will be hung. The Mayor answered that it should be soon.

Daniel Stephen, Park and Recreation board member, asked about the agreement of spending funds. He reiterated that it should be consensus between the Parks and Recreation Board and Council. The reason he brings this up, he heard that \$2,300 was the cost estimated for cabling one tree swing. The Mayor clarified that dollar amount was for cabling all three swings, and this is a separate issue that is still being discussed. The report is included as part of these minutes.

Unfinished Business

The Mayor presented the August 15, 2016 minutes. Joanne Bader made a motion to approve the minutes. Nancy Zinner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

New Business

The Mayor gave a brief update on the entrance columns. He then spoke about the 3-year water main project on Eastern Parkway. Mayor Crawford noted that he has put a link on the Facebook page with all the information about this project.

The Mayor stated that he has redrafted the Forest Code with changes and updates suggested from previous meetings.

Tony Williams asked about write-in candidates for the upcoming Council election. The Mayor noted that four packages have been picked up from City Hall. Mr. Williams wanted to express the importance of water and electric hook-ups for the parks. He also noted that work needed to be started on the new resident packages and the employee handbook.

Closing Public Comments

Mike Gardner, 926 Audubon Parkway – Mr. Gardner expressed his dismay with AT&T and their tree-trimming work.

Nancy Zinner made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Laura Stevens seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM

The next scheduled meeting is October 17, 2016.



Attested



Approved