

CITY OF WINDY HILLS

Minutes of Regular Council Meeting
August 8, 2011

The Council and Officers of the City of Windy Hills met at the Calvin Presbyterian Church, 2501 Rudy Lane, at 7:00 P.M. Mayor Phillips called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL: The following were present:

<u>MAYOR</u>	<u>COUNCIL MEMBERS</u>	<u>OTHER CITY OFFICIALS</u>
Louis A. Phillips	Cheryl Cooper	Sandy Moore
	Kate Greer	Foster Haunz
	Jim Ising	Bob Rosenbaum
	Marianne Rademaker	
	Mike Skelton	
	Suzanne Spencer	

MINUTES:

Councilwoman Greer moved to approve the minutes of the August 4, 2011 Special council meeting; seconded by Councilman Skelton and approved unanimously.

Councilman Ising moved to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2011 council meeting; seconded by Councilwoman Rademaker and approved unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORTS, APPROVAL OF BILLS:

The financial reports for July, 2011 were moved for approval by Councilwoman Greer, seconded by Councilwoman Cooper and approved unanimously.

Councilwoman Cooper moved to approve the payment of bills totaling \$44,896.42 from the General Fund Operating Account and \$300 from the Road Fund Account. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Rademaker and approved unanimously.

GOOD NEIGHBOR AWARDS:

The Mayor presented a Good Neighbor Award to Terry Edington in recognition of his good deeds he does for his neighbors on Ambridge and Eastgate Court.

The Mayor also presented a Good Neighbor Award to Leigh and Mark Ray in recognition of their volunteering and planning the 4th of July Bike Riders Parade and Bike Rodeo. Mark was unable to attend the meeting, so Leigh accepted the award for both of them.

RESIDENTS' COMMENTS/CONCERNS: Davy Dabny addressed the Council stating that she has lived in Windy Hills for many years, finds it to be a wonderful community and hopes it does not change too much. She feels that with the current economy being what it is at the current time,

her hope is that the City will not make any big expenditures and save as much money as the City can.

Lynn Renau addressed the Council with concerns regarding the preliminary signature entrance designs. She stated that while the brick work is beautiful, in her view, it would be subject to weather damage from ice, snow and rain as well as open to graffiti damage. She is also concerned about the amount of money that would be spent on the entrances. Councilman Skelton addressed her concerns by telling her that the brick will be treated and if some bricks were damaged, the damaged brick(s) could be removed and replaced with a new identical one. Councilman Skelton said he anticipated the cost to be below what has been budgeted for them.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Budget, Finance & Audit: No report.

Community Events/Newsletter: Councilwoman Greer reported that the deadline for submitting information for the 2011 Fall Newsletter is August 22 with a publish date of September 15. She also stated the Ice Cream Social will be held on September 25.

Ombudswoman: No report.

Police Protection & Public Safety: Councilwoman Rademaker reported that she had not received July's report from Graymoor-Devondale Police department. She had talked with the Chief about radar on Brownsboro Rd., for which he told her they are not running radar on Brownsboro Rd, but sometimes, that is where they end up stopping the car. She asked him to increase the radar on Rudy Lane. She also reported that the police have changed the citation forms.

Public Works: Bob Rosenbaum reported that the trees on the "Green" have been removed in preparing for the new "H" beam that supports a utility pole.

Welcome/Health Fitness: No report.

Windy Hills Green/City Beautification: Councilman Skelton reported that the grass is now being cut from the Watterson Expressway "off" ramp to just past Foeburn. This is being done at an extra cost of \$100 for a total of \$200 each time the cutting is done...on an as needed basis.

Code Enforcement: No report. Mr. Rosenbaum asked the Attorney Haunz if he could forward any information and/or County Ordinances regarding the placement of "PODS" and any time limit on them. Attorney Haunz stated he would get that information to him.

WHHAG Status Report: Martha Davis reported there have been no new requests for trees but stated the committee is going through the City looking for any potential tree/plant issues and will be making recommendations to the Council.

Community Caring Program: Martha Davis stated they recently had a meeting. She stated that all of the City's residents are part of the Community and would like to start promoting the volunteers in the Community in hopes to build on good deeds being done. She asked if an article could be included in the newsletter to highlight some of the volunteers.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Signature Entrances: Councilman Skelton reported that the cost of the designed brick work for the Signature Entrances should be under \$30,000 with the increase of size.

Windy Hills Green: Councilman Skelton reported that the Council held a special meeting with Mike Smiley to review the "Green" park concept designs. Mr. Smiley had provided two designs. Councilman Skelton made a motion to proceed with a color rendering for the Option "A" design with these changes/additions – more benches, street lights/electricity, a shelter priced separately, and an irrigation system for the planting areas. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Cooper and passed unanimously.

Street Paving in Windsong Subdivision: The Mayor reported that he is working on the lease agreements on the private roads.

Municipal Order Approving New Garbage Contract: Attorney Haunz read into record Municipal Order 11-03 with the regards to the new garbage contract with Waste Management. Councilwoman Greer made a motion to approve Municipal Order 11-03 and was seconded by Councilman Ising. The motion passed unanimously.

2010/2011 Audit: The Mayor reported that the "in office" work of the audit has been completed. The final report should be presented by Tom Clark, our accountant, at the September meeting.

Block Watch Program: Councilwoman Rademaker reported that she will compose a letter to be forwarded to all residents on the City's email system to determine how much interest there would be from the residents for this kind of a program. She may write an article to be included in the upcoming newsletter.

NEW BUSINESS

Overnight Parking on Street: The Mayor reported that the subject was discussed at length at the Council's Friday working session. Councilwoman Greer made a motion to deny the request to change the existing City Ordinance to allow exemptions for overnight parking. The motion was seconded by Councilman Ising and passed with a vote of 5 ayes and 1 nay.

Grawmeyer Green City Interest: The Mayor reported that he was approached to see if the City has any interest in taking over the parcel of land which is located at the northwest corner of Coach Gate and abuts Coach Gate and Brownsboro Road. Metro would like to lease it to the City or Coach Gate for \$1. Councilman Skelton made a motion to tell Metro Louisville that the City of Windy Hills has no interest in leasing the property. The motion was seconded by Councilman Ising and passed unanimously.

Other: Mayor Phillips stated that the Council has received two "Good Neighbor" award recommendations and distributed to the Council. Councilwoman Rademaker made a motion to proceed with the recommendation for the "Good Neighbor Awards" and was seconded by Councilwoman Spencer. The motion passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Spencer reported that there is an occupied house in Windsong that is infested with raccoons and opossums. Attorney Haunz suggested that they call Metro Call at "311".

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Attorney Haunz had no report.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS TO THE COUNCIL AS A WHOLE:

Kelsi Poteet addressed the Council to express her objection to the Council's vote on her recommendations for an exemption for overnight parking. The Mayor assured her that the Council had received a copy of her original letter that included her recommendations and suggestions for alternative overnight on street parking solutions. He also stated that the Council discussed these alternatives at the Council's Friday Work Session.

Councilwoman Greer moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 P.M., seconded by Councilwoman Rademaker and the motion passed unanimously.

Louis A. Phillips, Mayor

Sandy Moore, City Clerk