

CITY OF WINDY HILLS

Minutes of Regular Council Meeting  
November 14, 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 Kate Greer Jim Ising Marianne Rademaker Mike Skelton Suzanne Spencer	Sandy Moore Foster Haunz (absent) Bob Rosenbaum

**MINUTES:**

Councilwoman Rademaker moved to approve the minutes of the November 4, 2011 special council meeting; seconded by Councilman Ising and approved unanimously.

Councilwoman Greer moved to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2011 council meeting; seconded by Councilwoman Cooper and approved unanimously.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS, APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

The financial reports for October, 2011 were moved for approval by Councilwoman Greer, seconded by Councilman Skelton and approved unanimously.

Councilwoman Rademaker moved to approve the payment of bills totaling \$39,394.02. The motion was seconded by Councilman Ising and approved unanimously.

**RESIDENTS' COMMENTS/CONCERNS:** None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Budget, Finance & Audit: Councilman Ising reported that he and the Mayor had been diligently searching for better CD interest rates. The best they have been able to find is .7% for one year.

Community Events/Newsletter: Councilwoman Greer reminded everyone of the Winter Newsletter deadline of November 21.

Ombudswoman: No report.

Police Protection & Public Safety: Councilwoman Rademaker reviewed the reports she had passed out to the Council. She reported on Police activity for both September and October since the September report arrived after the meeting date. She stated that in September the Graymoor-Devondale Police Department spent 15:39 hours for radar checks including Rudy Lane and Ambridge Dr. This resulted in four speeding tickets on Rudy Ln., one on Ambridge Dr., one on Indian Ridge and one at Antrim; fourteen traffic warnings were given on Rudy Ln, Ambridge Drive, and Indian Ridge. One City ordinance citation was issued on Bonfire Dr. and three warnings were given on Antrim, Kingslook and Southview.

She reported that in October, the Police Department spent 109:25 hours patrolling, including 18:15 hours in radar checks. This resulted in two speeding tickets on Rudy Lane and two on Brownsboro Rd. Eight "courtesy Notices" were issued for speeding. There were no parking tickets issued, but three warnings for City Ordinance violations – three on Clerkenwell and one on Bonfire.

Public Works: Bob Rosenbaum reported that there must be a new resident on Bonfire on the Metro Police Dept., as there is a car parked on a driveway there. Mr. Rosenbaum also reported that he removed all of the voting signs left from Election Day.

Welcome/Health Fitness: Councilwoman Spencer reported that she will write an article for the winter newsletter regarding an after work fitness/yoga class. She stated she will organize a class after the first of next year if they have at least 10 participants and the class will be held at either Calvin Presbyterian Church or Christ Methodist Church.

Windy Hills Green/City Beautification: No report.

Code Enforcement: Bob Rosenbaum reported that the last house is being built on Hill Top. He also stated that there is a new resident in the house finished in Kirkwood Glen.

WHHAG Status Report: Martha Davis reported that there have been two trees purchased through the Tree Program. She also stated that it was the WHHAG committee that initiated the arborists to look at the trees on Brownsboro Rd.

Community Caring Program: Martha Davis reported there will be a survey included in the newsletter. The purpose of the survey is to update or add any information since the last survey. The survey will be sent directly to the Graymoor-Devondale Police Department to update their records.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Signature Entrances: Councilman Skelton reported that the Signature Entrance for Brownsboro Rd. and Rudy Lane is finished. He stated he will check with Mara Smith to see if she had any updated pictures.

Windy Hills Green: Councilman Skelton reported that there has been a lot of activity on the Green. He stated that the walkway and pad for the TARC bench was being poured; Cundiff Electric will be putting in the electric needed to light up the 60' Weeping Spruce Tree on the Green and that this should be ready after Thanksgiving. He also stated that LG&E could delay the project due to their time constraints. Councilman Skelton also reported that someone contacted him to inform him that a tracking device had been placed at the Bear on the Green. It is part of a game and the bear was chosen as one of 15,000 tracking spots in the Country.

Block Watch Program: No report.

Hubbards Lane Sidewalk: The Mayor reported that the work is almost completed on the Sidewalk and should be finished this week, depending on the weather.

Rudy Lane R-O-Way Sign: Councilman Ising reported the sign has been taken down and is at Eagle Sign Company to be repaired. It will be re-installed further down Rudy Ln., but still on the Green.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Other: The Mayor stated he would like to again this year repeat the gifts of Fruit Baskets to the St. Matthews Fire Department and Shady Lane Gift Certificates to the Graymoor-Devondale Police Department. Councilman Skelton made a motion to give these gifts and was seconded by Councilwoman Rademaker and was passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Rademaker made a motion to remove underbrush and weeds in the right of way strip between the sidewalk and the street at the southeast corner of Rudy Lane and Regency Lane. And, to cover that same area with sod after the cleanup. The motion is contingent with the owner at this site agreeing to have this work done. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Greer. After some discussion pertaining the a limit of the amount of money the City should spend on the project, Councilwoman Rademaker made a motion to amend the original motion to state that the amount the City would provide for this project will not exceed \$1,000. The amended motion was seconded by Councilwoman Greer and passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Cooper stated she was concerned about receiving materials in preparation for the Friday Working Sessions on a timely basis. She stated she does not always look in her mailbox before the meeting and has missed items placed there by the Mayor. She proposed that all items be sent out to all the Council members via email when possible. It was decided that the Clerk will send all correspondence pertaining to the meetings and other City issues via email when possible.

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT:** Attorney Haunz was absent.

**COMMENTS/QUESTIONS TO THE COUNCIL AS A WHOLE:**

Dick Kastings, a resident of Windy Hills, stated there is an abandoned house on Greenbriar. He said he has heard the owners have filed for Bankruptcy and the house is owned by a bank in Cincinnati. He also stated that he and other neighbors have kept the yard maintained this summer, but wanted to make the City aware of it for the security of the neighbors and the house itself. The Mayor stated he would look into it.

Councilwoman Rademaker moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 P.M., seconded by Councilwoman Greer and the motion passed unanimously.

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Louis A. Phillips, Mayor

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Sandy Moore, City Clerk