

CITY OF WATTERSON PARK LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Jefferson County Farm Bureau • 4200 Gardiner View Avenue • Louisville, Kentucky 40213

April 10, 2013

ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION

Prior to the meeting, our Arbor Day Proclamation was read at the Lillian Wild Walking Path in celebration of Arbor Day 2013.

LEGISLATIVE MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call — Roll was called. Present were Mayor Norman Liebert; Councilpeople Helen Arnold, Linda Chesser, Mary Ann Liebert, Joseph Welsh, Marlene Welsh and Lillian Wild; Treasurer Jerry Wild; and Clerk Aggie Keefe.

Pledge of Allegiance — All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes — A motion was made by Mrs. Arnold and seconded by Mrs. Welsh to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2013, meeting as submitted; all present voted yes (6-0). A motion was made by Mrs. Welsh and seconded by Mrs. Liebert to approve the minutes of the special meeting on March 20, 2013; all present voted yes (6-0).

Treasurer's Report — Mr. Wild reported revenues for the month of March 2013 in the amount of \$7,092.88 with expenditures in the amount of \$25,281.20, giving a deficit in the amount of \$18,188.32. Mr. Welsh made a motion to approve the report; seconded by Mrs. Wild; all present voted yes (6-0).

OLD BUSINESS

Budget — Mayor Liebert proposed the budget for fiscal year July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014, giving the first reading of the proposed budget ordinance. He reported that he met with our engineering firm and they said we will need to do some road repairs to Robards Court, Regina Lane, Champions Trace and Eastmoor Road. Therefore, he proposed \$70,000 under the General Fund and \$35,000 under the Municipal Aid Fund for maintenance of existing roadways, sidewalks, etc. We will have the second reading of this ordinance at the May meeting.

"No Parking" signs — Mrs. Chesser reported that she asked ^{John} Joe Leonard with the Sixth District Police if they would enforce our "No Parking" signs if we place them 30 feet from the end of a street, and he indicated that they will. She will find out if Metro Police will enforce a Watterson Park parking ordinance prohibiting parking more than 30 feet from the end of the street if we choose to pass one.

Boarding House — At Mr. Welsh's request, Mayor Liebert will ask Attorney Treitz to find out if a residence is considered a boarding house if the inhabitants are making separate rent payments.

NEW BUSINESS

Fence on Regina Lane — The fence has been installed. Residents cannot tie into the fence without voiding the warranty.

Potholes — Mayor Liebert received a complaint from a resident about potholes on the property between the medical building on Newburg Road and the old Salem United Church. In checking, Mayor Liebert found out that this road is privately owned. Mayor Liebert advised the resident to contact the owner of the property about repairing the potholes.

Website — Mrs. Keefe reported that our website received 3,405 hits in March. She has uploaded the first Business of the Month interview, which was with Masters' Supply, Inc.

Tree City USA — Mrs. Keefe reported that we are not listed as a Tree City USA on the Arbor Day Foundation website. She has left three phone messages with the foundation but has not received a reply. Mayor Liebert will contact Wade Hendricks and have him check into it.

Tree Maintenance Specs — Mrs. Keefe reported that she contacted the Kentucky League of Cities with a request for bid specs for tree maintenance. The City of Lyndon responded and provided a copy of their bid specs and bid form. Mrs. Keefe distributed copies of the specs, which we will review prior to bidding next year.

ID Bills — Mr. Wild received two bills from ID: one for 1507 Gardiner Lane, and the other for 1356 Gardiner Lane, each in the amount of \$150.39. We feel that they were erroneously billed to us and that they might be for private pick-up service. Mayor Liebert will check into it.

Large-Trash Pick-Up — The large-trash pick-up is scheduled for Saturday, April 20.

Operation Brightside — Mrs. Chesser has secured additional volunteers for the clean-up on April 13. Volunteers will meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Lillian Wild Walking Path. Operation Brightside provided bags, gloves, and T-shirts for participants – which Mrs. Chesser picked up – as well as a participation form to be filled out by each volunteer. Mayor Liebert purchased the grabbers.

Drainage Problem — Mrs. Chesser reported that the drainage problem at 4400 Conaem Drive is back on the list of projects with MSD.

Housing Market — Mrs. Chesser reported that she is concerned about why the housing market in Watterson Park is slow. She spoke with a few residents to get their input, and they indicated that the public schools in our area are considered poorly-performing schools. Mrs. Chesser emailed Jim King to express her concerns. He said the School Board makes every effort to insure diversity, but that she should contact the School Board to voice her concerns. Mrs. Chesser will schedule a meeting with our School Board representative to see if it's possible to get the boundaries adjusted so that Watterson Park could be included in the boundaries for better-performing schools. Mayor Liebert would like to be a part of that meeting. Jim Denny, a resident, was present. He said he feels like we need to make our city more aesthetically appealing. He suggested that we check into the Street Scapes program offered by Metro Louisville.

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Insurance Tax — Mr. Denny said that he received the Insurance Tax labels in our newsletter, but since he pays his insurance premiums either on-line or by automatic bill-pay, he has no need for the labels. He said he called one of his insurance companies to make sure Watterson Park is receiving the tax, but the representative there could only give him a code they were using to apply the tax. They couldn't tell him whether or not Watterson Park was the recipient based on that code. He suggested that we might want to include information in a future newsletter as to how someone who doesn't mail premiums can insure that Watterson Park is actually receiving the insurance tax. Mr. Wild will see if he can find out what our code is.

Decorative Street Signs — Mrs. Chesser will contact Saf-Ti-Co to get a proposal for installing decorative street signs on our residential streets.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment — Mr. Welsh made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Mrs. Liebert. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. All those persons noted as being present at the beginning of this meeting, unless otherwise indicated, remained throughout.

Approved at the meeting of the City Council held on 5-8-13.



Norman Liebert, Mayor



Aggie Keefe, Clerk

Minutes taken and transcribed by Aggie Keefe.