## CITY OF WATTERSON PARK LEGISLATIVE MEETING

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

November 14, 2012

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. Amold and seconded by Mrs. Wild to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2012, meeting as received. All present voted yes (6-0).

**Treasurer's Report** — Mr. Wild reported revenues for the month of October in the amount of \$98,212.77 with expenditures in the amount of \$31,858.95, giving a surplus in the amount of \$66,353.82. Mr. Welsh made a motion to approve the report; seconded by Mrs. Liebert; all present voted yes (6-0).

## OLD BUSINESS

Low Wire on Regina Lane - Mayor Liebert reported that work has begun on Regina Lane to bury the cable.

## NEW BUSINESS

**Tree Maintenance** — The Tree Committee reported that they met to draw up specs for bidding tree maintenance. The committee is suggesting that our future plans for tree maintenance include the following:

- Re-landscape the signature entrance with low-lying shrubs and plantings;
- (2) Eliminate Jennings Lane and Produce Lane from future plantings;
- (3) Maintain Gardiner Lane, the Lillian Wild Walking path, and Champions Trace with mulching, weeding, pruning and watering as needed; and
- (4) Water trees and shrubs on an as-needed basis only.

They aren't sure if we should bid the job on an hourly basis or a flat rate. Mayor Liebert will ask Mr. Treitz to assist him in drawing up bid specs.

Fence — Mrs. Chesser received one bid so far on the fence at the end of Regina lane. Raatz Fence Company submitted a quote of \$5,400 for a vinyl fence, 60-foot long by 8-foot tall, with 5-inch square posts; the cost would increase to \$6,000 if they put metal inserts inside each post. Okolona Fence was unable to get a bid in time for tonight's meeting, but they are suggesting that we install a wood fence. It was the consensus of the Council that there would be too much maintenance involved with wood. Mayor Liebert suggested that Mrs. Chesser ask all bidders to submit information about the wind speed rating for the fence they are proposing to install. He also suggested that she get a bid from Hartlage Fence Company since they've done work for us in the past. Mrs. Chesser will try to get more bids by the December meeting.

Tagging — Mrs. Chesser reported that she spoke with Sgt. Elliott regarding the tagging of the storage facility on Bunton Court. He told her that a different unit in the Metro Police Department handles tagging. He said he would have Officer John Leonard call her. After she talks with Officer Leonard, she will report back to us.

College Parties — Mayor Liebert reported that he, Mr. Treitz and Mrs. Chesser met with the property owners who own the houses where the recent partying, or college hazing, occurred. At our request, Mr. Treitz had sent letters to the owners expressing our concern regarding the partying. The property owners were upset and felt like the letters were unwarranted. Nothing was resolved. We told them we will continue to monitor the situation.

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Jefferson County League of Cities Dinner — Mrs. Welsh made a motion to appropriate \$300 for a table at the Jefferson County League of Cities dinner on November 29 at the Olmsted on Frankfort Avenue; seconded by Mrs. Chesser. All present voted yes (6-0).

Christmas Dinner — Mayor Liebert reported that Mr. Treitz wanted us to come up with dates on which we are available for our annual Christmas dinner. Mayor Liebert will let Mr. Treitz know that Council agreed on either December 5 or December 6.

Climb-Axe Property — Mrs. Chesser reported that there was supposed to be a pre-trial hearing on November 7 but she doesn't know if it happened and, if it did, the outcome. She was told that the property has not been zoned for what it is being used for, but that Climb-Axe can apply for re-zoning. If this happens, we will need to obtain signatures to attempt to stop the rezoning. Mrs. Chesser said that she did contact Jim King's office to ask for his support. She will continue to monitor the situation.

Website — Mrs. Keefe reported that using the personal property tax listing she received from Mr. Wild, she went on-line and got the nine-digit zip code for each business in the City. She would like to send out a letter to each of the businesses, making them aware of our website and offering to list them free of charge on the Business Bulletin page. She would also invite them to be interviewed for the "Business of the Month." She distributed a draft of a letter to send to the businesses. She also distributed the business questionnaire that we would use for the interviews. Mrs. Keefe would like to mail the letter before the December meeting; she will get postage stamps for the mailing from Mr. Wild.

Copy/Scan/Fax Machine — Mr. Wild said that he is constantly needing to either print, copy or fax for City purposes and can't use the equipment at his office any more. He would like for us to purchase a combination printer/copier/fax machine for his use at home. He was instructed to get some prices and report back at the December meeting.

Question from Business — Mayor Liebert reported that he received a letter from the controller at Star Drywall asking what they get from us for the taxes they pay. Mayor Liebert told him that among other things, any Watterson Park business pays significantly-lower taxes than they would in Metro Louisville. He also told him that we continue to keep our tax rate low for both businesses and residences. When asked if we pay for the street lights in front of their business, Mayor Liebert told him that we can't because their street is a private road.

Adjournment — Mr. Welsh made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Mrs. Wild. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:20 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 12-12-12

Norman Liebert, Mayor

Aggie Khare, Clerk

Minutes taken and transcribed by Aggie Keefe.