

# City of Douglass Hills

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## MINUTES

Council Meeting—August 3, 2017

A Council meeting of the Douglass Hills City Council was called to order by Mayor Jung at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 3, 2017 in City Hall. Members of Council in attendance were Jeff Riddle, Patti Eubanks, Denise Scarpellini, Becky Hunter, Bill Middleton and Jason Bowman. City Clerk Clay Porter and City Attorney John Singler were also in attendance. City Traesurer Ronnie Hodgson was absent.

Mayor Jung led the Council and those present in THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

## POLICE REPORT

Darrell Spurgeon, of **Off-Duty Police Services**, was not in attendance. Mayor Jung stated there will be 150 hours of patrolling for August 2017. Major Jung asked Mr. Spurgeon to shift his officers to more day patrols during the summer during the hours of 7-8 a.m. and 2-3 p.m. when school is in session and releasing for the day.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the **July 6, 2017** Council meeting were put on the table. Mr. Riddle made a **motion** to accept the minutes. Seconded by Mr. Middleton. The **motion** passed unanimously.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Mrs. Scarpellini moved to accept the **June 2017** Treasurer's report. Mr. Bowman seconded. The **motion** passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS- Mayor Jung made a **motion** to rename the Council Room the Ken & Rheba Roten Room for their combined years of service to the Douglass Hills. Mr. Bowman moves to accept motion to rename Council Room. Seconded by Mrs. Eubanks. The **motion** passed unanimously.

**1<sup>st</sup> READING OF MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. 10, SERIES 2017 "A MUNICIPAL ORDER RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF AMY MCFARLAND OF THE BOARD OF ETHICS OF THE CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS."** Mr. Bowman moved to accept **MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. 10, SERIES 2017** Mrs. Scarpellini seconded. The **motion** passed unanimously.

Mrs. Hunter made a **motion** on the floor to set the real property tax rate of .133. Mr. Bowman seconded. The **motion** passed unanimously.

**1<sup>st</sup> READING OF AN ORDINANCE 7, SERIES 2017 “ADOPTING THE JEFFERSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, AD VALOREM TAX ASSESSMENT FOR THE CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS, KENTUCKY, LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAX THEREON FOR CITY PURPOSES FOR THE YEAR 2017 AT A RATE .133 PER \$100.”** Mr. Bowman moved to accept, **LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAX THEREON FOR CITY PURPOSES FOR THE YEAR 2017 AT A RATE .133 PER \$100.** Mr. Riddle seconded. The **motion** passed unanimously.

### **Public Hearing for Municipal Aid Road Fund**

Mr. Riddle made a **motion** to close the regular Council Meeting. Mr. Middleton seconded. The **motion** passed unanimously.

Mrs. Eubanks made a **motion** to open Public Hearing Municipal Road Aid Fund Hearing. Mr. Middleton seconded. The **motion** passed unanimously.

John Singler spoke extensively regarding the budget for Municipal Road Aid fund. He suggested that Douglass Hills hire a company that can map an inventory of sidewalk infrastructure and the areas of ADA non-compliance. Douglass Hills can then systematically follow a plan to achieve compliance goals.

Mrs. Scarpellini made a **motion** to close the Public Hearing for Municipal Road Aid Fund Hearing. Mr. Riddle seconded. The **motion** passed unanimously.

### **MAYOR JUNG’S REPORT**

- Congratulated the Douglass Hills Swim Team which had over 323 swimmers and divers for finishing second this year.
- Three Boy Scouts are planning Eagle Scout projects for the City. One is going to refurbish and redo the sand volleyball courts, and the second one is going to build a playground shelter next to the kid’s playground at Warren Walker Park. The third will be replacing the signage on the trees in the Warren Walker Park.
- Island clean up continues: large area behind Cheskirk Place and Sandness Court plus Hillrose Court and Green Valley Road. Childress Tree Service will be stump grinding the berm at Running Creek Park.
- A water line will be installed at Bill Lile Running Creek Park for new water fountain.
- A new and improved newsletter will be coming out in the next couple of weeks. It will be larger to give Douglass Hills the ability to deliver more information on news and events. The newsletter will have all the Council Members’ email addresses.

- Council members were encouraged to contact her prior to printing if they had a concern with that issue.
- The Middletown Chamber Luncheon is on 08/10/07 @ 11:30. Skipper Martin will be speaking about the history of Middletown and Douglass Hills.
- Please sign up for the Dee Edwards Whisper Walk happening on September 9<sup>th</sup> @ Warren Walker Park.
- Questions about Spectrum letter and cable boxes was presented.
- Solar Eclipse Party in Warren Walker Park on August 21<sup>st</sup> 2017
- A letter was sent to Chief Conrad thanking him and the police for keeping our City safe regarding Rave Party.

### COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Kurt Wallace, of 402 Willenhall Court, entered a variance request regarding Ordinance #1 Series 2016 to Douglass Hills City Council. He asked for a variance for a fence around the subject property yard per exhibit option #2

A **motion** was made by Mr. Riddle and seconded by Mr. Bowman to approve the variance for a residential fence. **Motion** passed 4-2.

Jim Swartswood spoke regarding Council Meeting Agenda and making sure notice on Douglass Hills website.

Adam Lee, of 800 Farmingham Road, had concerns about the extension of Farmingham Road and the effect on traffic flow due to the new Elite development.

Barb Smith spoke regarding ordinance updated and/or revisions. She stated that the Nuisance Clause needs updating or revision.

John Byrne spoke about Ordinances and Code Enforcement.

## COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS REGARDING TRAILERS

Jim Swartwood spoke regarding the Trailer Ordinance, property values and the general appearance of Douglass Hills.

Sharon Angermeier spoke regarding the Trailer Ordinance wants to maintain a nice peaceful neighborhood.

Jim Williamson, who just moved into Douglass Hills, questioned on how the current ordinance reads regarding the trailers.

## OLD BUSINESS-

**2ND READING OF ORDINANCE 5, SERIES 2017 "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PARKING REQUIREMENTS FOR TRAILERS"** Mrs. Scarpellini made a **motion** to accept **Ordinance 6, Series 2017** as second reading. Seconded by Mrs. Eubanks. Voice roll call was taken by City Clerk Clay Porter—Middletown—No, Hunter—Yes, Bowman—Yes, Scarpellini—Yes, Eubanks—Yes, and Riddle—Yes. The **motion** passed 5-1


**2ND READING OF ORDINANCE 6, SERIES 2017 "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PARKING REQUIREMENTS FOR TRAILERS"** Mr. Bowman made a **motion** to adopt a fee of \$550.00 per year starting January 1, 2018 all other provisions to remain the same in **Ordinance 6, Series 2017** as. Seconded by Mrs. Hunter. Voice roll call was taken by City Clerk, Clay Porter—Middleton—No, Hunter— Yes, Bowman—Yes, Scarpellini—No, Eubanks—No, and Riddle—Yes. Mayor Jung cast the tie breaking 3-3 vote. Mayor Jung voted No. The **motion** failed 4-3.

## ADJOURMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Middleton moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mrs. Eubanks. The vote was unanimous and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Clay Porter, City Clerk

  
Bonnie Jung, Mayor