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MINUTES

Council Meeting—October 4, 2018 Pg1

A Council meeting of the Douglass Hills City Council was called to order by Mayor Jung at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 4, 2018 at City Hall. Members of the Council in attendance were Bill Middleton, Becky Hunter, Patti Eubanks, Neil Sandefur and Denise Scarpellini, City Clerk Clay Porter, City Treasurer Ronnie Hodgson and City Attorney John Singler were also in attendance. Jason Bowman was absent.

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

POLICE REPORT

Officer Darrell Spurgeon, of **Off-Duty Police Services**, was in attendance. He stated that his officers performed 109 hours of patrol for the month of September. He also stated that there has been a spike in crime for areas surrounding Douglass Hills. He is relying on ICAP Reports to determine the times of where and when these crimes are being committed and from that he determines when to schedule officers to patrol.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the **September 6, 2018** Council meeting were put on the table. Mrs. Scarpellini made a **motion** to accept the minutes, seconded by Mr. Middleton. The **motion** passed unanimously as amended.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mrs. Hunter asked about the swim pool debt of \$213,000 and if it had been moved to the general fund. She wanted to know if this inter fund was eliminated. John Singler stated that the pool fund is not different from the city fund. The swim pool has no separate existence from the city. The pool and its assets along with the land is owned by the City of Douglass Hills.

Mr. Middleton moved to accept the **August 2018** Treasurer's report. Seconded by Mrs. Eubanks The **motion** passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Mr. Bill Lile asked the City Council to reconsider a donation of money in the name of Paula Miller and "Beat It Cancer". Douglass Hills has budgeted a community chest of \$2,500 for such donations. A charitable donation should be considered. In the past, Douglass Hills has donated to entities outside of the city, such as, Project Graduation at Eastern High School.

Mr. John May candidate for Jefferson County Property Valuation Administrator spoke in regard to the general election on November 6, 2018. Mr. May stated that his first house was on Sunderland Place. He still has family that live in the city. He went into detail about his career saying he was a Certified Appraiser in the Commonwealth of Kentucky for over thirty years. He was the Jefferson County PVA from 2005 to 2006. Next, he was the Commission of Revenue over all 120 counties PVA's in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Mr. May was also the President of Kentucky Board of Realtors. He stated that Douglass Hills and all the suburban cities are important clients to the PVA. Douglass Hills purchases the tax roll from PVA. It is critical that properties be assessed fairly to ensure Douglass Hills retrieves the most potential tax dollars. Mr. May state that if properties were assessed properly it would avoid sticker shock of assessments.

Peter Panagopoulos, who lives in Douglass Hills on Tattenham Lane, discussed the need for sidewalks on his street. He stated his children must walk in the street to get home from school. This is very dangerous due to the volume and rate of speed cars travel on Tattenham Lane.

Mr. Jerry McGraw expressed his thanks to Mrs. Becky Hunter and Mr. Jason Bowman for their dedication to the City of Douglass Hills. Mr. McGraw encouraged the next City Council to address such items as road paving and the renovation of City Hall. Mr. McGraw also encouraged the City Council to consider a full time Public Works employee.

OLD BUSINESS- None

NEW BUSINESS- Mayor Jung accepted the resignation of Councilperson Jason Bowman effective immediately. Mayor Jung thanked Jason for his dedication, hard work, service to the community.

Mrs. Becky Hunter made a **motion** to accept Mr. Bowman's resignation from the City Council. Seconded by Mr. Middleton. The **motion** passed unanimously.

Mrs. Becky Hunter made a **motion** to fill Council vacancy with Matthew Nelson. Seconded by Mr. Middleton. The **motion** passed unanimously.

City Attorney John Singler swore Matthew Nelson in as new Council Person.

There was much discussion regarding the City's infrastructure. Mr. Sandefur made a **motion** to work with Milestone Design Group and accept Section (A) of Engineering Specifications for \$4,500. Seconded by Mrs. Scarpellini. The **motion** passed with a vote of 5-1 (Mrs. Hunter voted Nay).

Mr. Sandefur made a **motion** to include more detail in Section (C) of Engineering Specifications. Seconded by Mr. Nelson. The **motion** passed with a vote of 5-1 (Mrs. Hunter voted Nay).

Mrs. Becky Hunter made a **motion** to donate \$200 from Douglass Hills to Twisted Pink in honor of Paula Miller. Seconded by Mrs. Eubanks. The **motion** passed unanimously.

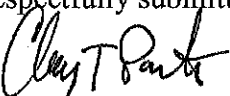
MAYOR JUNG'S REPORT

- The Kentucky League of Cities convention went well. Lots of new information for suburban cities. Denise Scarpellini won Five Hundred Dollars at convention.
- Kentucky Cities are having problems with drugs. In particularly discarded needles. KLC has designed a Needle Disposal Kits for all cities police, first wave responders, and public works. Douglass Hills has fourteen kits to be used in our city.
- Per Denise Scarpellini, Mayor Jung received the Master of City Governance award for her training as an elected official. She is one of only twenty-three in the Commonwealth of Kentucky to receive such an award this year.
- Plans are to start the Strategic plan possibly in November or in the first of the new year. The following people have expressed interest on being on the committee: Mayor Bill Lile, Council Member Denise Scarpellini, Arlene Lovas, Matthew Nelson, Jerry McGraw, Gil Betts, Andy Vetter, Craig Jennings. Plus, three new names to add to the list Kris Carlson, Patti Eubanks and Jeff Riddle.
- Douglass Hills is still waiting on data from 8th Division Police on the speed machines placed on Gatehouse Lane and Running Creek Road.
- The Eagle Scout projects of rebuilding the volleyball courts and tree signage in Warren Walker Park are complete.
- City of Douglass Hills' tax bills will be mailed on October 15, 2018.
- New shrubs have been planted at the Bill Lile Park on Running Creek Road.
- The Recreation Committee met twice this month. First, to inspect swimming pool and pump house. Secondly, to draw up a list of concerns for the parks in the City.
- The path in Warren Walker Park is deteriorating in one spot. Joe Exeley, Engineer for MSD, stated that this spot on the path is a hazard because of drainage issues. He will use his discretionary funds to fix the drainage and repair path at no cost to Douglass Hills.
- Flag retirement will be on November 10, 2018 from 1pm to 2:30pm at the concrete pad in Warren Walker Park.

ADJOURMENT

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

Respectfully submitted,


Clay Porter, City Clerk


Bonnie Jung, Mayor