# City of Bouglass Hills

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# MINUTES Council Meeting via Zoom—June 3, 2021 Page 1

A Council meeting of the Douglass Hills City Council was called to order by Mayor Bonnie Jung at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 3, 2021. Members of the Council in attendance were Bill Middleton, Jeff Riddle, Denise Scarpellini, Matthew Nelson, Patti Eubanks, Neil Sandefur, City Clerk Clay Porter, City Treasurer Holly Sanford, City Attorney John Singler and Public Works Burke Davis were also in attendance.

# POLICE REPORT

Officer Darrell Spurgeon, of **Off-Duty Police Services**, spoke about the problem with solicitors in Douglass Hills. Off-Duty Police Services is removing the solicitors from the city as they are found.

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the May 6, 2021 Council meeting were put on the table. Mr. Middleton made a motion to accept the minutes; seconded by Mr. Riddle. The motion passed 5-0. Mrs. Scarpellini abstained from the vote.

Minutes of the May 27, 2021 Council meeting were put on the table. Mr. Nelson made a motion to accept the minutes; seconded by Mr. Sandefur. The motion passed 6-0.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Mrs. Scarpellini moved to accept the **April 2021** Treasurer's report; seconded by Mr. Riddle. The **motion** passed unanimously 6-0.

<u>PUBLIC WORKS REPORT</u> Mr. Burke Davis reported that one of the Public Works employees resigned his position. The city has hired two teenage boys to help with summer duties. Mr. Davis stated that Public Works needs another full-time employee. Public Works is maintaining the grass in Warren Walker Park. This process takes about 20 hours a week. Public Works will be buying a couple of pieces of equipment a tiller and a dump trailer.

GUEST SPEAKER- Justin Thompson, Boy Scout with Troop 386, proposed his Eagle Scout project to the City Council. Mr. Thompson planned on building a pergola on the concrete pad at Bill Lile Park. He also intends to rehab the picnic table in Bill Lile Park.

#### **COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS-** None

# **MAYOR JUNG'S REPORT**

- Mayor Jung stated that the Douglass Hills annual July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks show has been moved to Labor Day weekend September 4, 2021.
- Mayor Jung reported that Councilperson Anthony Piagentini will be having district meeting on 06/07/2021 in the City of Middletown.
- Mayor Jung reminded the citizens that the city is looking for two volunteers for the Code Enforcement Board. She would like some citizens from the east section of Douglass Hills.
- Mayor Jung acknowledge that there is a pool lounge chair shortage. The City Clerk has ordered 40 new chairs.
- Mayor Jung has invited Ecotech to speak at a City Council meeting to discuss wasted collection processes.
- Mayor Jung stated that there are citizens concerned with short term rentals in Douglass Hills. Mayor Jung confirmed that short term rentals are not legal. Any complaints about short term rentals should be referred to Metro Louisville.
- Mrs. Denise Scarpellini gave a Safety Committee report. The Safety Committee is providing a bicycle safety course for Douglass Hills's citizens. This program is scheduled for June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021 from 9:00am to 1:00pm at the gazebo in Warren Walker Park. Lowe Chiropractic will be a sponsor and are donating 200 helmets. Also, Brain Injury Awareness group will be sponsoring and provide information.

OLD BUSINESS- 2<sup>nd</sup> READING ORDINANCE NO.1, SERIES 2021 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN OPERATING BUDGET AND ALLOCATING FUNDS FOR JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022. Mr. Riddle made a motion to accept ORDINANCE NO.1, SERIES 2021 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN OPERATING BUDGET AND ALLOCATING FUNDS FOR JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022. Mr. Sandefur seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0. A roll call vote was taken Mr. Middleton Yea, Mr. Nelson Yea, Mr. Riddle Yea, Mrs. Scarpellini, Mrs. Eubanks Yea, Mr. Sandefur Yea. The motion passed 6-0.

# <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>- CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS MUNICIPAL ORDER NO. #1, SERIES 2021 A MUNICIPAL ORDER RELATING TO THE APPROVAL OF A VARIANCE IN THE CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS

WHEREAS, the city has received an application for a variance and wishes to approve the variance;

#### NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS:

- 1. The city council has been presented with a variance request, which is described as follows:
  - a. Robert Barret and only Robert Barret, is allowed to keep his currently owned utility trailer at his home at 501 Rothbury Lane if he lives at this location and needs the trailer for his occupation. The City Council hereby approves the variance requested, upon the conditions set out in Section 2 herein. The City Council finds that the requested variance will not adversely affect the public health and safety, will not alter the essential character of the general vicinity, not cause a hazard or nuisance, will not allow an unreasonable circumvention of the city's ordinances and the variance arises from special circumstances which do not generally apply to land in the general vicinity or the same zone.
- 2. This approval is conditioned on the full compliance with the application and plans submitted, as well as the following conditions:
  - a. The trailer must be always kept in good condition and be parked on a hard asphalt surface in the back of the driveway, behind the gate that crosses the driveway.

Adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June 2021.

In Favor: 4 Opposed: 2 (Mrs. Eubanks & Mrs. Scrpellini)

Mr. Matt Nelson gave a report on the progress of putting together a bid to replace the playground in Warren Walker Park. Mr. Nelson spoke to several companies about options for different equipment and surfaces that would comply with American with Disabilities Act.

# **ADJOURMENT**

There being no further business, Mr. Middleton moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mrs. Scarpellini. The vote was 6-0 unanimous, and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Clay Porter, City Clerk

Bonnie Jung, Mayo