

# City of Douglass Hills

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## MINUTES Council Meeting—September 2, 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, September 2, 2021. Members of the Council in attendance were Bill Middleton, Jeff Riddle, Denise Scarpellini, Matthew Nelson, Patti Eubanks, City Clerk Clay Porter, City Treasurer Holly Sanford, City Attorney John Singler and Public Works Burke Davis were also in attendance. Neil Sandefur was absent from the meeting.

## POLICE REPORT

Officer Darrell Spurgeon, of **Off-Duty Police Services**, was absent. Officer Roberto Grider stated **Off-Duty Police Services** have been working 100 hours per month. Officer Roberto Grider stated that many citizens are leaving their garage doors open and their car doors unlocked at night.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the **August 5, 2021**, Council meeting were put on the table. Mr. Riddle made a **motion** to accept the minutes; seconded by Mrs. Scarpellini. The **motion** passed 5-0.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Middleton moved to accept the **July 2021** Treasurer's report; seconded by Mr. Riddle. The **motion** passed unanimously 5-0.

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT** Mr. Burke Davis introduced the new Public Works employee Craig Nelson. Mr. Davis reported that Public Works has been trimming and cleaning up Bill Lile Park off Running Creek Road. He has also ordered a new swing for the playground at Bill Lile Park.

**GUEST SPEAKER-** Cliff Whalin, Director of Louisville East Christian Care, spoke about his new position. Christian Village transferred ownership to Louisville East Christian Care in December 2020. Louisville East Christian Care is an independent and assisted living facility for the mind, body and spirit. Mr. Whalin stated that the facility had no shortage of labor. Many of the employees have work there for years. Louisville East Christian Care has many activities and events scheduled for their clientele. He said Louisville East Christian Care has a rentable event space. Mr. Whalin concluded that he was looking forward to working with the City of Douglass Hills.

**COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS-** Mr. Kurt Wallace spoke about his concern with Jefferson County Public Schools and Crosby Middle School. Mr. Wallace spoke against mask and vaccine mandates. Mr. Wallace cited a court case in Boone County Circuit Court in which the court band mask mandates. He stated that nose swabs contain ether which causes cancer, organ failure and reproductive issues. Mr. Wallace also stated that there are no vaccines on the FDA approved list.

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Mr. Wallace provided a stat that 45,000 plus people died within three days of receiving a vaccination. Mr. Wallace was concerned about all the processed food the children at Crosby Middle School were consuming. He would like to see a garden built on Crosby Middle School's lot to feed the children. Mr. Wallace asked Major Jung to communicate this information to the principle at Crosby Middle School.

Mr. Thomas Buckman, of 514 Selkirk Lane, spoke about a strange vibration in his home. Mr. Buckman has contacted all the local utility companies to no avail. Mr. Buckman stated that he has exhausted all his options. He asked the City Council to please help him with his problem.

Mr. Coffee, with Boy Scout Troop 71, has permission from the City Council to us Douglass Hills Council room for meeting on a Thursday once a month for Boy Scout meetings. The City Council granted his request.

Mrs. Carolyn Koppen asked the City council about what might be developed on the Burnett property? Mr. John Singler stated that the Burnett property was purchased by Clark Construction out of Lexington, Kentucky. Mr. Singler stated that Clark Construction intended to build condominiums on this property. Mr. Singler stated that will be several meetings in the future to discuss the development. These meetings will for the public to have input on the project.

### **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. There will be food trucks and an ice cream stand. The band will start playing at 5:30pm.
- Mayor Jung reported that the annual Whisper Walk will be on Sept 25, 2021. The Whisper Walk organization has asked for a donation from Douglass Hills. The city has prepared a Municipal Order for the August City Council meeting.
- Ecotech will be hosting a shred event at the pool parking lot on October 9, 2021, from 9am to 12pm.
- Mayor Jung was asked to host a reception at Douglass Hills for Major Hasch with the 8<sup>th</sup> Divisions LMPD

**OLD BUSINESS- CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS ORDINANCE #3 SERIES 2021 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PORTIONS OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 24, TO UPDATE THE ORDINANCE TO CURRENT STANDARDS IN THE REVISED PORTIONS OF THE KENTUCKY OPEN RECORDS LAW KRS 61.870- 61.884.** Mrs. Scarpellini made a new **motion** to CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS ORDINANCE #3 SERIES 2021 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PORTIONS OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 24, TO UPDATE THE ORDINANCE TO CURRENT STANDARDS IN THE REVISED PORTIONS OF THE KENTUCKY OPEN RECORDS LAW KRS 61.870- 61.884. Mr. Middleton seconded the **motion**. A roll call vote was taken Mr. Middleton Yea, Mr. Nelson Yea, Mr. Riddle Yea, Mrs. Scarpellini, Mrs. Eubanks Yea. The **motion** passed 5-0.

**NEW BUSINESS- - CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS MUNICIPAL ORDER #4, SERIES 2021 A MUNICIPAL ORDER RELATING TO THE APPROVAL FOR A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT WITH KENTUCKIANA REGIONAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (KIPDA)** Mr. Middleton made a new **motion** to accept CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS MUNICIPAL ORDER #4, SERIES 2021 A MUNICIPAL ORDER RELATING TO THE APPROVAL FOR A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT WITH KENTUCKIANA REGIONAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (KIPDA) Mrs. Eubanks seconded the **motion**. The **motion** passed 5-0.

**-SWIMMING POOL MANAGEMENT SPECIFICATIONS-** After much discussion regarding specification the City Council to put out the Pool Management bid for 2022. The City Council decided that the bids will be due on 10/06/2021 at 10:00am.

**-LG&E FRANCHISE DISCUSSION-** Mayor Jung and City attorney John Singler met with LG&E representatives to discuss future maintenance of the tree and plant grown along the Blankenbaker Parkway wall. Mr. Singler advised that the Constitution for the Commonwealth of Kentucky allows for franchise agreements with utilities. This franchise agreement would have LG&E would maintain the area and pass the charges to residents on the monthly LG&E bill. Mr. Nelson made a **motion** to enter into a franchise agreement with LG&E to maintain behind Blankenbaker Parkway wall. Mrs. Scarpellini seconded the **motion**. The **motion** passed 5-0.

Mr. Jeff Riddle spoke about the renderings of parking project around Gatehouse Lane. This project would add 143 parking spots around Gatehouse Lane from to playground to the Douglass Hills condominiums. This project is ready for MSD review.

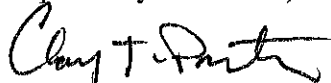
Mr. Jerry McGraw gave an update on the Public Safety Committee. Mr. McGraw discussed Flock's demonstration to the Public Safety Committee on license plate camera readers for the city. Mr. McGraw stated that several Home Rule Cities and neighbor associations were

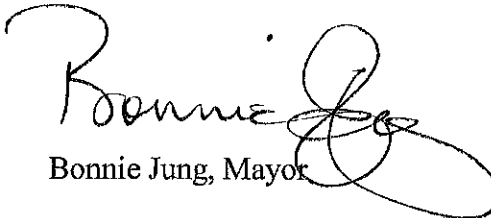
investigating the license plate camera readers. Cities and neighbor associations Mr. McGraw mentioned were Jeffersontown, Middletown, Lake Forest, and Polo Fields. Mr. McGraw discussed complaints of speeding on Running Creek Road. He has asked that Public Works move the speed detection machine on Running Creek Road for date collection. Mr. McGraw also discussed data from the speed detection machine on Kinnaird Lane. He stated that it recorded nine speeders over 10 mph. Mr. McGraw discussed the bicycle rodeo and other events that could work with the bicycle rodeo. The activities that he mentioned were fingerprinting and DNA sampling for children in Douglass Hills.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mr. Middleton moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Riddle The vote was 5-0 unanimous, and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Clay Porter, City Clerk

  
Bonnie Jung, Mayor