# City of Douglass Hills

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### MINUTES Council Meeting—January 5, 2023, 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, January 5, 2023. Members of the Council in attendance were, Mayor Bonnie Jung, Patti Eubanks, Bill Middleton, Matthew Nelson, Jeff Riddle, Neil Sandefur, Denise Scarpellini, City Clerk Clay Porter, City Treasurer Holly Sanford, City Attorney John Singler, Public Works Director Burke Davis were also in attendance.

OFF DUTY POLICE SERVICES Darrell Spurgeon, of Off Duty Police Services, was present at the meeting. Officer Spurgeon reported that the man who assaulted the police office and had a high speed chase through Douglass Hills has been apprehended and is in jail with a large property bond. Officer Spurgeon spoke about the Tik-Tok challenge where youths are stealing older cars. Officer Spurgeon talked about the Flock cameras in Douglass Hills. He stated that several people have been arrested for having stolen cars. Officer Spurgeon told the audience the a USPS mail courier was robbed in the city of Middletown. The mail was recovered in a dumpster near by the robbery.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the **December 1, 2022,** Council meeting were put on the table. Mr. Middleton made a **motion** to accept the minutes; seconded by Mr. Sandefur. The **motion** passed 6-0.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Riddle moved to accept the **November 2022** Treasurer's report; seconded by Mr. Nelson. The **motion** passed unanimously 6-0.

<u>PUBLIC WORKS REPORT</u> Mr. Burke Davis reported that Public Works had a tough time plowing the snow due to the ice underneath on the road. Public Works performed day and night shifts to remove the snow and ice. Mr. Davis reported that the new truck Douglass Hills ordered should be delivered any day.

### **GUEST SPEAKERS-**NONE

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS- Phyllis Hundley, of 11002 Fellswood Court, spoke to the City Council about recent flooding at her house. Mrs. Hundley stated that she has lived in Douglass Hill for 47 years. She said that this is the first time that she has had a water occurrence of this type. Mrs. Hundley was concerned about the clearing of the drainage ditch between

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Fellswood Court and Finchley Road. She believes that leaves and limbs have contributed to the headwall becoming clogged. Mrs. Hundley was also concerned about citizens dumping yard waste into the drainage ditch.

Becky Hedgspeth, of 407 Fellswood Place, spoke to the City Council about heightening Douglass Hills communication with the citizenry. Mrs. Hedgspeth suggested using ReachAlert.com more frequently, mailing the newsletter and updating the Douglass Hills website as quickly as possible. The City Council said they would take these suggestions in to consideration.

**SAFETY COMMITTEE**- The Safety Committee had no complaints and no issues to address this month. The safety Committee meeting was cancelled.

**TREE COMMITTEE**- Morgan Herndon stated that the Tree Committee was working with Public Works Director Burke Davis to find places in the common areas to plant new trees.

#### MAYOR JUNG'S REPORT-

- Mayor Jung announced Libs Paving will begin repaving streets in Douglass Hills as soon as the asphalt plant reopens. Also, Louisville Paving will be starting the Gatehouse Lane paving project mid-February.
- Mayor Jung asked the City Council to think about capital projects for the city in 2023.
- Mayor Jung reminded the Recreation Committee to get the swimming pool application ready for the spring.
- Councilperson Matt Nelson reported that the rehabilitation of the playground at Bill Lile Park will begin in February.

#### **OLD BUSINESS--NONE**

NEW BUSINESS- CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS, KENTUCKY ORDINANCE NO. #1 SERIES 2023 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN INCENTIVE PROGRAM FOR CITY OFFICIALS TO OBTAIN TRAINING RELATED TO CITY GOVERNMENT. Mrs. Scarpellini made a motion for City of Douglass Hills to accept CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS, KENTUCKY ORDINANCE NO. #1 SERIES 2023 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN INCENTIVE PROGRAM FOR CITY OFFICIALS TO OBTAIN TRAINING RELATED TO CITY GOVERNMENT. Mr. Middleton seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0.

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<u>ADJOURMENT</u>
There being no further business, Mr. Middleton moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mrs. Eubanks. The vote was 6-0 unanimous, and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Clay T. Punto Clay Porter, City Clerk

Bonnie Jung, Mayor