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MINUTES Council Meeting June 6, 2024, Page 1

A Council meeting of the Douglass Hills City Council was called to order by Mayor Bonnie Jung at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 6, 2024. Members of the Council in attendance were Jeff Riddle, Denise Scarpellini, Bill Middleton, Patti Eubanks, Neil Sandefur, Matthew Nelson, City Clerk Clay Porter and City Treasurer Holly Sanford, City Attorney John Singler, were also in attendance. Public Works Director Burke Davis was absent from the meeting.

OFF DUTY POLICE- Mr. Darrell Spurgeon was absent from the meeting. Mayor Jung stated that Douglass Hills will extend the Off Duty Police services contract for a two-year period as a professional service contract.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the **May 23, 2024**, City Council meeting were put on the table. Mr. Middleton made a **motion** to accept the minutes; Mr. Sandefur seconded by. The **motion** passed unanimously 6-0.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Riddle moved to accept the April **2024** Treasurer's report; seconded by Mrs. Scarpellini. The **motion** passed unanimously 6-0.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT Mr. Burke Davis was absent from the meeting. Mr. Jeff Riddle reported that the Public Works Department has been mulching and planting at the city entrances. Also, the entrance lights at Burnsdale Road have been repaired. Mr. Riddle stated that the Public Works garage addition will be starting soon. Derek Construction will be blocking part of the swim pool parking lot for the project. Mr. Riddle stated the Public Works cleaned fallen trees off Shelbyville Road after the storm per a request from LMPD. Mr. Riddle spoke about the extensive storm damage in the city. He stated that it will take several weeks to clean up all the debris.

GUEST SPEAKERS- NONE

SAFETY COMMITTEE- Mr. Jerry McGraw spoke about a complaint of speeding on Berry Hill Road and Dunbar Place. The radar machine indicated speeds from 18mph to 30mph on Dunbar Place. The Safety Committee recommended acquiring safety lights for crosswalks. Mr. McGraw spoke about LG&E meeting with the city on 06/17/2024 for placement of new streetlights around the city. Mr. McGraw talked about traffic safety issues at Crosby Middle School. He plans to meet with Louisville Metro and Jefferson County Board of Education this summer to resolve these issues.

TREE COMMITTEE- NONE

EVENT COORDINATOR- Mrs. Jennie Norfleet highlighted upcoming events such as the city-wide yard sale and Movie Night in the park (Grease) on 06/08/2024. Also, Thunder in the Hills fireworks show on 07/06/2024.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE- NONE. Mr. Singler stated that Hagan Properties has submitted the plans for Sweetwater Development to Louisville Metro Planning and Design.

RECREATION COMMITTEE- Mr. Neil Sandefur spoke about cleanliness issues at the swimming pool. Mr. Sandefur's recommendation with respect to the cleanliness issues were to ensure we take care to incorporate more specific language in our upcoming contract renewal that includes timeframes and penalties before the swimming pool opens each year. Mr. Riddle suggested having a volunteer workday at the swimming pool next year before opening day. Mr. Sandefur stated that the Recreation Committee recommended having a flash sale for bundles of daily passes and season passes for the remainder of the swim season starting around the fourth of July.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS- NONE

MAYOR JUNG'S REPORT-

- Mayor Jung reported that the city has \$750,000 remaining in ARPA funds. She stated that the Public Works garage addition will cost between \$350,000 to \$400,000. She would like recommendations from the City Council about other projects to spend the remaining ARPA funds.
- Mayor Jung stated that there was a medical emergency in Warren Walker Park last week. She wanted to thank Jeff Riddle and Burke Davis for a quick response to the accident.
- Mayor Jung thanked Jeff Riddle for organizing the woodchipper going to thirty-eight streets in Douglass Hills to assist in storm cleanup.
- Mayor Jung spoke about the fact that the Kentucky League of Cities discourages cities from using social media within cities.

OLD BUSINESS- A/V MEDIA FOR THE COUNCIL ROOM Mr. Sandefur made a **motion** to table **A/V MEDIA FOR THE COUNCIL ROOM** until the next meeting. Seconded by Mr. Riddle. The **motion** passed with a unanimous vote 6-0.

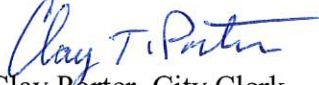
NEW BUSINESS- FIRST READING CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS ORDINANCE NO. #3, SERIES 2024 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE JEFFERSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, AD VALOREM TAX ASSESSMENT FOR THE CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS, KENTUCKY, LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAX THEREON FOR CITY PURPOSES FOR THE YEAR 2024. Mr. Sandefur made a **motion** to accept **CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS ORDINANCE NO. #3, SERIES 2024 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE JEFFERSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, AD VALOREM TAX ASSESSMENT FOR THE CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS, KENTUCKY, LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAX AT .176 THEREON FOR CITY PURPOSES FOR THE YEAR 2024.** Seconded by Mr. Riddle. The **motion** passed with a unanimous vote 6-0.

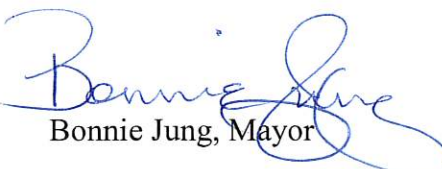
FIRST READING CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS ORDINANCE NO. #4, SERIES 2024 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN OPERATING BUDGET AND ALLOCATING FUNDS FOR JULY 1, 2024, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025. Mr. Middleton made a **motion** to accept **CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS ORDINANCE NO. #4, SERIES 2024 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN OPERATING BUDGET AND ALLOCATING FUNDS FOR JULY 1, 2024, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025.** Seconded by Mr. Riddle. The **motion** passed with a unanimous vote 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT

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 Porter, City Clerk


Bonnie Jung, Mayor