

CITY OF INDIAN HILLS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 20, 2021 Minutes of Regular Meeting
Louisville Boat Club
6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Mayor: Chip Hancock

Council: Ann Dreisbach

Lee Garlove
LuAnn George
James Giesel
John Harralson, III
Kay Matton
Gary Ulmer
Mimi Zinniel

Attorney: Finn Cato

Public Works: Jim Graven

Police Chief: Kelly Spratt
(Late- attended JCLC virtual meeting, per Mayor's request)

City Clerk: Donna M. Sinkhorn

ABSENT

Laura Dunbar

- 1) Call to Order – Mayor Hancock called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.
- 2) Recognize any visitors – None

3) Minutes – Mayor Hancock asked for a motion for approval to amend the March Minutes to reflect February's numbers of the Indian Hills Police Report instead of March's numbers. Councillor Matton moved to approve the amendment to the March Minutes; seconded by Councillor Giesel; none opposed.

Councillor Matton moved to approve the April Minutes as emailed; seconded by Councillor Harralson; none opposed.

- 4) Committee Reports – Emailed
 - (a) Finance (Dunbar/Ulmer)

Mayor Hancock informed Council that the building deposit forfeitures will be taken in as income for this year as recommended by the City's auditors.

1. Report – April – Councillor Ulmer presented April's Finance Report to Council.

Councillor Ulmer informed Council that the PNC/Kentucky League of Cities (KLC) Investment Pool paperwork has been completed. Instead of investing all the City's excess funds in the pool, it may be done over a three-month period to watch the market. His recommendation is to take \$300,000 to place it in the investment pool and then possibly next month, invest another \$300,000 unless Council decides not to do so. Basically, PNC has given a recommendation of the allocation which he likes because of PNC's experience in dealing with over 200 other cities. The City would be able to access the funds if or whenever needed. The annual fee is 35 Basis Points, 10 to go to KLC and 25 to PNC. Following discussion, Councillor Ulmer moved to invest \$300,000 of the City's reserves in the PNC/Kentucky League of Cities Investment Pool administered by PNC and allocated per PNC's

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recommendation; seconded by Councillor Giesel; none opposed.

Councillor Matton moved to accept the April Financial Report as presented and to approve the April City and Police checks disbursed; seconded by Councillor George; motion passed unanimously.

Public Works & Building – Graven – Public Works Director Report (Item #4) (c) 1. On Agenda

Mr. Graven's report included an update on the Eastwind structure. There was general agreement amongst Council to send a letter to the residents allowing the structure on Eastwind property to remain until after the harvest.

His report also included updates on the following: Calumet guard rail project which is now complete; the clearing of bush honeysuckle throughout the City; Stonebridge & River Hill pillars; the listing of Indian Hills Trail property; construction moving forward on Indian Hills Trail property since owner has new contractor.

Waste Management Report – Recycling Bins - Update (Item #5) (a) 1. on Agenda) - Mayor Hancock informed Council he talked with a representative from Eco-Tech. They will continue to pick up recycling on a weekly basis per our contract; but Eco-Tech will not be replacing the current bins with larger bins.

Environment Committee Report – Zinniel/George (Item #5) (b) 1. On Agenda) - Councillor George informed Council she is waiting to hear back about the tours from Booker Design. She and Mayor Hancock thanked those who took the time to take the tours.

6) Council Members Comments - Councillor Zinniel asked if there was an update on the Code of Ordinances. Attorney Cato has talked with Richard Frommeyer, American Legal, and was told Indian Hills draft will be completed by the end of this month, two weeks of review and sent to printing. Council will receive a draft form on blue paper of what it will look like before it goes to their legal team for reviewing and reporting which may take one to two months. Then the Council will get to review and make any changes.

7) Old Business – None

Chief Spratt joined meeting.

In response to Councillor George's question and concern, Mr. Graven said the Stop sign at the end of the Trail where there is a traffic light will be removed. It had been placed there in error.

8) (a) New Business Shredding Event – Mayor Hancock informed Council that Mr. Graven has suggested having the Shredding Event at Sagamore Park. There was general agreement amongst Council that it would be better to have it at the park. The date is August 28th but will need to check with the shredding company on the time.

Mayor's Comments (Item #10) on Agenda) – None

Police Budget - FYE 06/2022 (Item #4) (a) 3. on Agenda)

Shortly before the meeting, a copy of the Police Budget FYE 6/2022 was distributed to Council. Following discussion, Councillor Matton moved to approve the Police Budget for FYE 6/2022 as presented; seconded by Councillor Harralson; motion passed unanimously.

Public Safety Report – Spratt & Garlove & Harralson (Item #4) (b) 1. On Agenda) – Chief Spratt's report included 10 criminal reports; two arrests/criminal citations; multiple traffic citations issued and year-to-date stats. (Includes City of Rolling Fields)

City Tax Rate & Budget – FYE 06/2022 (Item #4) (a) 4. on Agenda)

Mayor Hancock informed Council the City's properties were assessed about \$36 million more this year than last year. Since there is an appeals process for taxpayers with the PVA and more than likely changes being made to

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some assessments, the preliminary numbers cannot be used to prepare the budget. A Kentucky League of Cities representative recommended we use the actual income figure that was received last year for the upcoming budget. The budget will not reflect the 20% discount because it is included in that number. Attorney Cato stated we will need to have a first reading of the property tax rate ordinance when the PVA provides the final assessments.

Councillor Matton introduced, and Attorney Cato gave first reading to Ordinance No. 1, Series 2021 relating to a budget for FYE 6/2022.

Councillor Matton introduced, and Attorney Cato gave first reading to Ordinance No. 2, Series 2021 relating to setting compensations for city officers.

9) Legal – Cato - None

10) Adjournment – Councillor Matton moved to adjourn at 7:09 pm; seconded by Councillor Giesel; motion passed unanimously.

Next Meeting
Thursday – June 17, 2021
6:00 p.m.

Chip Hancock, Mayor

Donna M. Sinkhorn, City Clerk