

CITY OF INDIAN HILLS
 CITY COUNCIL MEETING
 March 16, 2022 Minutes of Regular Meeting
 Louisville Boat Club
 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Mayor: Chip Hancock

Council: Ann Dreisbach (6:10)
 Laura Dunbar
 Lee Garlove (6:20)
 LuAnn George
 James Giesel
 John Harralson, III

Gary Ulmer (left 7:10)
 Mimi Zinniel

Attorney: Finn Cato

Public Works:

Police Chief: Kelly Spratt

City Clerk: Donna M. Sinkhorn

ABSENT

Kay Matton

Jim Graven

<u>Visitors</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Neville Blakemore	Candidate for Jefferson County Clerk	
Josh Baric	2306 Phoenix Hill Drive	2302 Phoenix Hill-Rental
Nick Cotter	5508 Hempstead Rd	2302 – Pit bull

- 1) Call to Order – Mayor Hancock called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- 2) Neville Blakemore – Mr. Blakemore is a Democrat Candidate running for Jefferson County Clerk.
- 3) Recognize any visitors – Mayor Hancock recognized the visitors.

Residents, Nick Cotter and Josh Baric, were present to express their concerns about the Phoenix Hill tenants’ dogs (a Pit Bull, and a Great Dane) getting loose; they are concerned for the safety of their children. Yesterday, Mayor Hancock was contacted by the property owner as a response to Attorney Cato’s letter to him. The landlord called the tenants and they assured him that the Pit Bull was removed from the property that evening. Mr. Cotter and Mr. Baric asked what can be done if it is returned to the home and it and the other dog continue to get loose. Mayor Hancock, Chief Spratt and Councilor Harralson explained that the City and Indian Hills Police have done all they can legally do. The City and the Police Department do not have the equipment to corral the dogs, so it was suggested they contact Metro Animal Services. Councilor Harralson and Attorney Cato further explained it is a law enforcement issue and if it is a non-felony case, the police cannot do anything unless they witness it. Mr. Cotter mentioned having a fence placed in his front yard to keep the dogs away from his children and nanny. Councilor Harralson suggested he formally apply for a waiver for the fence and Council would consider it. Discussion.

In response to Mr. Baric’s question about multiple families living in the rental property, which is zoned a

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single-family residence, Attorney Cato stated Louisville Metro has jurisdiction over Indian Hills and all other cities in Jefferson County for purposes of code enforcement and suggested Mr. Baric call 311 to make an anonymous complaint or go to Metro Planning & Design website and file a complaint. They will refer it to Louisville Metro Code Enforcement and a zoning official will go out to the property and investigate. Discussion.

4) Minutes – February – Emailed - Councilor Dunbar moved to approve the February Minutes as emailed; seconded by Councilor Zinniel; none opposed.

5) Committee Reports – February - Emailed

(a) Finance (Dunbar/Ulmer)

1. Report – February – Councilor Ulmer presented the Financial Report for February. In response to Councilor Ulmer’s question regarding #6 on page 1 of the report, there appears to be a typo, Mayor Hancock will check with our City Controller.

2. City & Police Disbursements – Approval – February

Councilor Zinniel moved to accept the February Financial Report as presented and to approve February’s City and Police checks disbursed; seconded by Councilor George; none opposed.

Legal – Cato (Item #10 on Agenda)

a. American Legal Publishing – Code of Ordinances – Update – Attorney Cato – Mr. Graven is needed to finish up the last couple of meetings, but he has been unavailable due to health issues.

b. Ordinance No. 1, Series 2022-Mayor/Council Compensation-1st Reading – Following discussion, there was general agreement amongst Council that \$18,000 would be the annual compensation for the mayor beginning January 2023, and there would be no compensation for council. Councilor Dunbar introduced, and Attorney Cato gave first reading of Ordinance No. 1, Series 2022.

c. Ordinance No. 2, Series 2022-Approval of Amended Budget FYE 6/2022 reflecting ARPA funds-1st Reading – Councilor Dunbar introduced, and Attorney Cato gave first reading to Ordinance No. 2, Series 2022.

d. Municipal Order No. 3, Series 2022 – Use of CARES Act funds for Police License Plate Reader Cameras – Councilor George introduced, Attorney Cato read, Councilor Ulmer moved to, and Councilor Dunbar seconded to approve Municipal Order No. 3, Series 2022 approving service contract for police automatic license plate detection using \$63,000 of CARES Act funds. Mayor Hancock proceeded to take the following roll call vote:

Ms. Dreisbach	Yea	Mr. Harralson	Yea
Ms. Dunbar	Yea	Ms. Matton	Absent
Mr. Garlove	Yea	Mr. Ulmer	Yea
Ms. George	Yea	Ms. Zinniel	Yea
Mr. Giesel	Yea		

Motion passed unanimously. (Municipal Order No. 3, Series 2022)

e. Municipal Order No. 4, Series 2022 – Approving the \$10 million standard revenue loss allowance – Councilor Dunbar introduced, Attorney Cato read, Councilor Harralson moved to, and Councilor Giesel seconded to approve Municipal Order No. 4, Series 2022. Mayor Hancock proceeded with the following roll call vote:

Ms. Dreisbach	Yea	Mr. Harralson	Yea
Ms. Dunbar	Yea	Ms. Matton	Absent
Mr. Garlove	Yea	Mr. Ulmer	Absent
Ms. George	Yea	Ms. Zinniel	Yea
Mr. Giesel	Yea		

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Motion passed unanimously. (Municipal Order No. 4, Series 2022)

f. Municipal Order No. 5, Series 2022 – Approving contract with KIPDA and KIPDA’s administrative fee – Councilor Dunbar introduced, Attorney Cato read, Councilor Giesel moved to, and Councilor Harralson seconded to approve Municipal Order No. 5, Series 2022. Mayor Hancock proceeded with the following roll call vote:

Ms. Dreisbach	Yea	Mr. Harralson	Yea
Ms. Dunbar	Yea	Ms. Matton	Absent
Mr. Garlove	Yea	Mr. Ulmer	Absent
Ms. George	Yea	Ms. Zinniel	Yea
Mr. Giesel	Yea		

Motion passed unanimously. (Municipal Order No. 5, Series 2022)

End of Legal

- 5) Committee Reports – February – Emailed - Continued
b. Public Safety Report – Spratt & Garlove & Harralson

License Plate Reader Cameras (Item #5) b. 2. on Agenda - Chief Spratt reported six cameras have been installed.

Police Report – February - Chief Spratt (Item #5) b. 1. on Agenda–Chief Spratt’s report included five criminal reports; no traffic collisions; two arrests/criminal citations; multiple traffic citations and year-to-date stats.

- c. Public Works & Building – Graven
1. Public Works Director Report – Graven – No report.

2. Columns – River Hill – Mayor Hancock mentioned the columns on River Hill and Councilor Zinniel commented that the columns are not owned by the city; she has spoken with the property owner, but she does not know what the owner’s plans are.

6) Other Reports

a. Waste Management Report – Graven
1. Fuel Tax – Mayor Hancock informed Council that beginning July 1, 2022, Eco-Tech would like to add a monthly surcharge for the cost of fuel. Beginning at that time, according to our contract, the cost per resident would be \$16.86; Eco-Tech is proposing an increase of \$3.01 per household to \$19.87 which is about a 15% increase. Following discussion, there was general agreement amongst the Council to allow the increase of \$3.01 per household for three-month intervals at which time, if the gas prices have gone down, the surcharge would be decreased.

- b. Environment Committee Report – Zinniel/George
1. Report – February – Councilmembers George & Zinniel – No report.

7) Council Comments – None

8) Old Business – None

9) New Business – None

10) Legal – Cato – See above

- a. American Legal Publishing – Code of Ordinances – Update – Attorney Cato

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- d. Municipal Order No. 3, Series 2022 – Use of CARES Act funds for Police License Plate Reader Cameras
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11) Mayor’s Comments - None

12) Adjournment – Councilor Zinniel moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.; seconded by Councilor Garlove; none opposed.

Next Meeting
Wednesday – April 20, 2022
6:00 p.m.

/S/ _____
Chip Hancock, Mayor

/S/ _____
Donna M. Sinkhorn, City Clerk