

CITY OF INDIAN HILLS
 CITY COUNCIL MEETING
 July 20, 2022 Minutes of Regular Meeting
 Louisville Boat Club
 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Mayor: Chip Hancock

Council: Ann Dreisbach
 Laura Dunbar

James Giesel
 John Harralson, III

Kay Matton

Mimi Zinniel

Attorney: Finn Cato

Public Works: Jim Graven

Police Chief: Kelly Spratt

City Clerk: Donna M. Sinkhorn

ABSENT

Lee Garlove

Lee Maddox

Gary Ulmer

<u>Visitors</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
David Ferguson	102 Blankenbaker Ln	Candidate
Jeanne Ferguson	102 Blankenbaker Ln	---
Vance Von Borries	64 Indian Hills Trail	Observe
LuAnn George	131 Council Rd	---

- 1) Call to Order – Mayor Hancock called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- 2) Recognize any visitors – Mayor Hancock recognized the visitors.

- David Ferguson is a candidate running for Indian Hills Council.
- Vance Von Borries & LuAnn George informed Council there is a meeting regarding proposed interchange changes due to the development of the new VA hospital at 6:30 tomorrow evening at Christ Church.
- Ms. George asked Mayor Hancock about her email regarding the work being done at a residence on Totem Rd. Mayor Hancock and Mr. Graven has discussed this. The resident is requesting 10 – 14 days to complete and the pad will be removed. It will, again, be placed in the newsletter that there is to be no dumping of grass clippings, etc. in creeks or hillsides.
- Ms. George asked about the Dogwood trees that were removed and dead trees, especially the one on Travois, that need to be removed. Mayor Hancock said Ben with Cornerstone needs to get a special crane to remove the tree on Travois because it is so big. The trees removed on Moccasin were half dead. They will be replaced based on the Indian Hills Landscape Manual.
- Discussion regarding the City sending letters to those residents whose trees have dangerous limbs

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hanging over streets. Members of the Environment Committee may notify the City of any dangerous limb/branch on a tree that is on private property and provide the address so that the City may send a letter to the resident.

- Councilor Zinniel asked if a tree that is on private property falls onto the road, should not the homeowner pay for the removal of the tree. Mayor Hancock said he and Mr. Graven just discussed this yesterday at the Staff Meeting. It will be placed in the newsletter to inform residents that if/when a tree that is on private property falls onto the road blocking it/traffic, the City will have the tree cut & removed from the road and it will be placed in the resident's yard. It will be the responsibility of the homeowner to pay for the removal of the tree within a reasonable amount of time.

3) Minutes – June – Emailed - Councilor Matton moved to approve the June Minutes as emailed; seconded by Councilor Dunbar; none opposed.

4) Committee Reports – May - Emailed

(a) Finance (Dunbar/Ulmer)

1. Report – June – Councilor Dunbar presented June's Financial Report to Council.
2. City & Police Disbursements – Approval – June

Councilor Harralson moved to accept the June Financial Report as presented and to approve June's City and Police checks disbursed; seconded by Councilor Matton; none opposed.

(b) Public Safety Report – Spratt & Garlove & Harralson

- Speed Humps – Mayor Hancock, Council & Chief Spratt discussed speeding in different areas of the City. Reasons speed humps are not recommended: 1) They change the pattern of traffic-drivers may go to other areas of the City to avoid them. 2) Fire Departments & EMS do not want speed humps due to delaying times of arrival. 3) The Trail is a main thoroughfare; 4) Some roads are short-distanced which may mean there would not be enough traffic statistically to need one and/or not enough time to alert drivers of the speed hump. General agreement for more enforcement. Chief Spratt will have his officers continue to step up enforcement throughout the City.

- Stop Signs-Westwind & Old Brownsboro Rd – Mayor Hancock and a couple of Councilmembers have received a few complaints regarding the decision to place Stop signs at this intersection. Following discussion, it was decided the Stop signs will be installed once the poles are received. Chief Spratt will send out another notice to residents prior to the installation.

1. Police Report – Chief Spratt's report included eight criminal reports; three traffic collisions; one arrest/criminal citation; multiple traffic citations and year-to-date stats.

(c) Public Works & Building – Graven

1. Public Works Director Report – Graven - Mr. Graven's report included the following:

- Dead Trees–At last month's meeting, it was requested by a couple of residents (one being present, the other via email) to remove dead trees located along Brownsboro Road and located in the Locust Hill Section on Blankenbaker Ln on left side in City easement between creek and road. All have been removed.

- Octoberfest plans are coming along.

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- River Hill residents want a gate like Rio Vista. Discussion.
- 4th of July Parade had a great turnout. Mayor Hancock has written Thank You notes to the Parade Committee.
- Rio Vista Guard Rail – Mr. Graven called Metro again and was told they will get on it.

Ms. George mentioned to Mr. Graven that one of Mr. Ackermann’s workers has mowed right up to the creek on Indian Hills Trail. He runs over trash, runs over sticks, not picking up anything. He needs to be told he is not to mow near the creek. Discussion.

5) Other Reports

a. Waste Management Report – Graven – Mayor Hancock is still receiving calls and emails about Eco-Tech workers putting the trash and recycling in the same truck. He and Mr. Graven will meet with an Eco-Tech representative to talk to him about this.

b. Environment Committee Report – Zinniel

1. Report – Councilmember Zinniel – The bridge on Stonebridge Rd is nearly done. Kentucky Transportation Cabinet will have their contractor replace sixteen trees that had to be removed. The trees were going to be planted, but Councilor Zinniel told them trees cannot be planted in the summer. She is going to ask the contractor if the City can help pick out the trees. The term of the contract is over in September, so that may be when the trees will be planted.

6) Council Comments

- Councilor Giesel asked the status on the project on Blankenbaker Ln. Mayor Hancock has talked with the owner’s builder. Once plans are complete, they will be brought to the City to review. Mr. Graven has been keeping the grass cut.

- Councilor Harralson commented the big house on Indian Hills Trail seems to be at a standstill. Discussion.

- Councilor Matton asked about the garage being built and the hole on the property on Indian Hills Trail. Mr. Graven said the hole is for landscaping, trees. He believes the hold up on the garage is they are waiting for the garage doors.

7) Old Business

- Condominium Development-Brownsboro Rd-Windy Hills - Mayor Hancock informed Council there is a meeting tomorrow at the Old Jail Building. Councilor Dreisbach said the developer has agreed to build 12 units instead of 14 as requested by Windy Hills so now Windy Hills and Coach Gate are in support of it. Mayor Hancock has asked the developer to soften the front with landscaping. He has prepared a letter in support of the development for the City of Indian Hills; Councilor Dreisbach will give it to the developer.

- Phoenix Hill Dr. Rental Property - Councilor Giesel asked if there was any update. Chief Spratt said there has been one call received at the end of May.

8) New Business - None

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9) Legal – Cato

(a) Municipal Order No. 9, Series 2022 – Re-appointing Richard Cleary to Ethics Board-3 Year Term Councilor Giesel introduced, Attorney Cato read, Councilor Zinniel moved to approve Municipal Order No. 9, Series 2022; seconded by Councilor Matton. Mayor Hancock proceeded with the following roll call vote:

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

Motion passed unanimously. (Municipal Order No. 9, Series 2022)

(b) Ordinance No. 6, Series 2022-Approval of Amended Budgets FYE 6/2022 & FYE 6/2023 reflecting ARPA funds & ARPA Expenditures– 1st Reading – Councilor Dunbar introduced, and Attorney Cato gave first reading to Ordinance No. 6, Series 2022.

(c) American Legal Publishing - Discussion regarding acceptable hours for operation of power equipment for commercial and residential landscaping and construction.

10. Mayor’s Comments – None

11. Adjournment – Councilor Matton moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m.; seconded by Councilor Giesel; none opposed.

Next Meeting
Wednesday – August 17, 2022
6:00 p.m.

/S/

Chip Hancock, Mayor

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Donna M. Sinkhorn, City Clerk