

CITY OF INDIAN HILLS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 19, 2025 Minutes of Zoom Meeting
(LBC closed due to Ohio River flood)
Live Video Teleconference - 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Mayor: Chip Hancock

Council:

Laura Dunbar

John Harralson, III
Chip Hayward, Jr.
Lee Maddox
Kay Matton

Attorney: Finn Cato

Public Works:

Police Chief: Kelly Spratt

City Clerk: Donna M. Sinkhorn

ABSENT

Bob Astorino, Sr.
Ann Dreisbach

David Ferguson
Lee Garlove

Jim Graven

1) Call to Order – Mayor Hancock called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2) Recognize any visitors - None

3) (a) Minutes – Zoom Meeting Minutes – Emailed - Councilor Matton moved to approve the January 15, 2025, minutes as emailed, seconded by Councilor Maddox; none opposed.

4) Committee Reports – Emailed

(a) Finance (Dunbar)

1. Report – January – Councilor Dunbar presented January's financial report to Council.
2. City & Police Disbursements – January – Approval

Councilor Harralson moved to accept the January financial report as presented and to approve January city and police checks disbursed; seconded by Councilor Matton; none opposed.

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

1. Police Report – Chief Spratt's report included five crimes; one traffic collision report; one criminal arrest/citation; and year-to-date stats.

Chief Spratt reported having emailed a sign-up option to receive text alerts to those who are signed up to receive emailed Crime Alerts. The text option will be used sparingly such as recently used for the closure of Indian Hills Trail yesterday. Text alerts will be used for time-sensitive information. Discussion.

Discussion ensued regarding vehicles parked on the street overnight or longer than 24 hours. There have been issues for the driver getting through with the snowplow on Calumet. Chief Spratt and his officers will watch for vehicles parked on the city streets longer than 24 hours.

(c) Public Works & Building

In Mr. Graven's absence, Mayor Hancock reported the following:

- The lighting at the Locust Hill entrance has been repaired.

- Mr. Graven has received several plans from contractors for large renovation projects within the city.

Councilman Harralson stated that for several weeks now there has been a huge pothole on Indian Hills Trail. The traffic cones placed in it have been run over. With not knowing the timeline in fixing the pothole, he suggested a flasher barricade be placed there. Councilor Dunbar suggested temporarily filling up the pothole with gravel. Mayor Hancock and Chief Spratt will see if there is something that may be done with it.

5) Other Reports

(a) Waste Management Report – Graven/Hancock

Councilor Dunbar spoke with someone at Rumpke and was told that there would be a one-day delay this week because of the road conditions due to the recent snowfall. Since Mayor Hancock had not received any information on this, he suggested everyone put out their trash for tomorrow's pickup.

(b) Environment Committee – Maddox – No report

6) Council Members Comments

Councilor Hayward commented on the large hole where Louisville Water made a repair on Brownsboro Road turning on Blankenbaker Lane that may ruin a vehicle and asked if anybody at the office could call in on it to see what Metro can do. Mayor Hancock said we can call Metro Call 311 to tell them about it. Councilor Matton asked if he would request the sticks be removed from Brownsboro Rd & Pennington, but was told the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet needs to be contacted for that request. Discussion.

7) Old Business - None

8) New Business - Mayor Hancock informed Council that Stroll Magazine will soon be doing an article on Indian Hills.

9) Legal – Cato – Attorney Cato – No report.

10) Mayor's Comments - Mayor Hancock commented that the snowplowing has been working out and explained that when snow is forecasted, Miner Company will text him suggesting that they should pretreat the city roads and ask for his approval to do so. Chief Spratt is sent the same text as well so that he and his officers will know the plans. It appears that the cost is \$9000 each time the roads are treated. Many agreed that this winter season has been an unusually rough year with snow and ice. It is expensive, but the roads have been in good condition after the snowfalls. Discussion.

Mayor Hancock and Chief Spratt informed Council that the Rio Vista gate is opened due to the flooding and snow.

11) Adjournment – Councilor Harralson moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 p.m.; seconded by Councilor Matton, none opposed.

Next Meeting:
Louisville Boat Club
Wednesday – March 19, 2025/6:00 p.m.

/S/

Donna M. Sinkhorn, City Clerk

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Chip Hancock, Mayor