

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of Rolling Fields City Commission

6:30 p.m. at Second Presbyterian Church

August 11, 2011

Those Present: Mayor Bill Conway, Commissioners Beth Moffett, Carolyn Wetterer, Dan Tafel, Cliff Krawiec, IHPD Chief Kelly Spratt, Treasurer Joanna Nugent, and Clerk Rachel Schrepferman.

Police Report: The July police report was presented to the Commission by Chief Spratt's. There were two car break-ins in July and two this week which will be on next month's report. There doesn't seem to be a trend, but rather more sporadically. The late shift officers are focused on this type of activity. The monthly police report was added to the minutes.

IHPD had a full-time officer leave the department. A part-time officer filled her vacant position and IHPD has hired another part-time officer and is thinking of hiring another part-time officer.

Mayor Conway initiated a discussion that Commissioner Tafel suggested the newsletter spotlight an IHPD officer each edition. Chief Spratt will provide content.

July Minutes: Commissioner Beth Moffett moved to approve the July minutes and Commissioner Dan Tafel seconded the motion. The minutes from July were unanimously approved.

New Commissioner:

Swearing-in of Commissioner Dan Tafel. Mayor Conway completed the official swearing-in of the new Commissioner.

Mayor Fischer's Merger 2.0: Mayor Conway is serving on a subcommittee to this task force. There has been some talk about eliminating some of the fifth and sixth class cities. Commissioner Krawiec suggested that the agenda for this way of thinking would be to increase tax revenues and to streamline and consolidate municipal services. There are approximately 64 fifth and sixth class cities and 83 suburban cities all told in Jefferson County.

Commissioner Tafel suggested to Mayor Conway that a motion be made within this committee to promote and establish more neighborhoods and smaller cities to maintain the uniqueness of Louisville. Mayor Conway (in cooperation with Jack Will, Director of JCLC) will be prepared to substantiate the value of the fifth and sixth class cities if need be. The restriction on cities merging or annexing new cities will expire in 2012. The next meeting of the subcommittee will be on August 25 and is open to the public. Mayor Conway will keep us posted.

Sidewalk Landscaping: Sidewalk landscaping along Pennington that connects with Lower Brownsboro Road to the end of the property of Second Presbyterian Church was suggested to help the church and pre-school traffic. Commissioner Tafel suggested that we speak to the Church to partner with making such a curb and area. Mayor Conway will talk to Steve Jester at Second Presbyterian Church about this issue. Several years ago, this issue was raised and at that time the pastor did not want a sidewalk.

Curbing Throughout Rolling Fields: Mayor Conway spoke with Joe Dougherty about a company that can lay flagstone around the deeply rutted areas in the city. We will have a quote for this (per linear foot) by the September meeting. Commissioner Tafel noted that some people were putting those cobblestones in areas to reinforce their curb and maintain protection of their yard.

What Is Happening with Brownsboro Road?: Mayor Conway had forward his email to Councilman Fleming and Councilwoman Ward-Pugh to the Commission Councilwoman Ward-Pugh responded that she had contacted Mr. Bauer and she would not recommend that anyone approach him with “going-forward plans. Councilman Fleming did not reply.

Commissioner Tafel related information that Councilman Fleming had discussed conducting a re-engineering study a year or so ago to allow for changes to the lanes at Country Lane and Brownsboro Road. If the developer, Mr. Roth, does not wish to give up any property to account for a sidewalk and landscaping, then the study would allow for changes. Commissioner Tafel will touch base with Councilman Fleming about the results or status of the re-engineering study.

Adjournment and Next Meeting: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Krawiec. Commissioner Moffett seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 8, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at Second Presbyterian Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Schrepferman
Clerk, Rolling Fields