

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of Rolling Fields City Commission

6:30 p.m. at Second Presbyterian Church
March 13, 2014

Those present: Mayor Bill Conway, Commissioners Beth Moffett, David Dunn, Danny Tafel, Carolyn Wetterer, and Clerk Barker Price.

Metro Council: Metro Council 7th District candidate, Angela Leet, asked to address the council to provide details of her qualification for the position. Angela is a Louisville native, with a Speed School of Engineering degree and an Environmental MBA. She is board member with Habitat for Humanity, Fund for the Arts, and a past board member at Spalding University. Angela's web site can be found at vote4leet.com. The Rolling Fields Commission has not endorsed any Metro Council candidate.

February Police Report: Chief Kelly Spratt advised that February remained relatively calm. A total of three burglary incidents were reported in Indian Hills and Mockingbird valley. None were reported in Rolling Fields. Mayor Conway asked about the previously discussed plan to utilize the department's radar trailer and to periodically station a police cruiser on Club Lane in an effort to slow speeders. Chief Spratt advised that this will begin as soon as the weather breaks.

February Minutes: The February minutes were approved with no corrections. Commissioner Tafel moved to approve the minutes and Commissioner Moffett seconded the motion. They were approved unanimously.

Public Works Committee: Commissioner Tafel had provided Public Works Committee minutes prior to the commission meeting. Commission members had reviewed the minutes, and no revisions were requested. Commissioner Tafel reported that progress on new curbing continues to be on schedule. He explained that work at some curbing locations is a multi-step process because of the need to rebuild some of the adjacent storm drains. He advised that curbing work should complete by May.

Mayor Conway presented a comprehensive curbing/drain summary document compiled by Commissioner Dunn. The well organized summary includes photographs and location details of all work areas in Rolling Fields. It was passed around for all commissioners to review.

There was quite a bit of conversation regarding the storm drains in the city. The current road budget covers this year's repaving project, but does not provide funds to rebuild neighborhood drains. Commissioner Tafel advised that approximately seven of the city's storm drains are directly incorporated into the curbing and will have to be partially upgraded at the same time new curbing is installed. The current plan is to rebuild the drain flumes only at this point, and to leave the drain aprons sod. Some sort of creek stone finish is planned for the flumes. Funding for this work may come from excess Road Funds and/or the Discretionary Fund.

The Public Works Committee will make a formal recommendation for a storm drain rebuilding program at the next Commission meeting.

Mayor Conway and Commissioner Tafel provided an update on the planned repaving project for Rolling Fields, noting that repaving work should begin in early summer. Flynn Brothers Contracting has submitted the low bid and is working closely with the commission to prepare for street resurfacing work. Commissioner Wetterer asked if Flynn would be doing driveways at the same time. Mayor Conway advised that driveways are not included, but that arrangements are possibly being made for Flynn to repave pull-off's in front of some homes. Flynn Brothers has indicated that it will do this work, but that it will need to be paid by the city, not the homeowner. Commissioners Dunn, Moffett and Wetterer felt that the city should not be placed in between Flynn Brothers and the homeowner with regard to payment and collection of residential repaving costs. After some discussion, it was agreed that Rolling Fields would send out formal notice to all residents, asking that they sign up if they wish to have their pull-off repaved. Once a list of interested residents has been completed, the city will ask Flynn Brothers to prepare specific quotations for each site. Residents who accept the quotation will be asked to prepay the city for this work. The city will then pay Flynn accordingly.

Commissioner Wetterer suggested that all affected utility companies should be updated and kept well advised of the city's planned repaving project. Commission Dunn suggested that the city should advise homeowners well in advance of paving work so that lawn sprinkler heads can be properly marked to avoid damage.

Communications Committee: Mayor Conway advised that the city is quite close to having a consolidated list of all resident names, email addresses, and street addresses. He noted that this will provide for more comprehensive communications in the future, and suggested that multiple communication vehicles be used to provide information to residents. These systems include: Email, DEAN Alert, Indian Hills Crime Alert, the R.F. Web Site, and possible future use of Constant Contact. There was general agreement with this approach. Mayor Conway noted that there are approximately 35 homes still without email in the neighborhood.

New Business: Clerk Barker Price suggested that the city take some sort of action to regain use of the sidewalk connecting Country Lane (at the entrance to R.F.) to Pennington Lane in front of the condos facing Brownsboro Road. Commissioner Tafel suggested that the city might want to consider purchasing an easement across this property, however, funds are not available for this currently. Mayor Conway said that he would talk with the attorney for the condo association to see if something can be done.

Old Business: None.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m. by a motion from Commissioner Wetterer and a second from Commissioner Tafel.

Respectfully submitted,
Barker Price
Clerk, Rolling Fields