

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of Rolling Fields City Commission

6:30 p.m. at 2nd Presbyterian Church

January 13, 2011

Those Present: Mayor Bill Conway, Commissioners Beth Moffett, Carolyn Wetterer, Sheila Oliver, and Cliff Krawiec, Treasurer Joanna Nugent, Clerk Rachel Schrepferman, and Indian Hills Police Chief Kelly Spratt. Resident Susan Simpson.

Police Report: Chief Kelly Spratt presented the report he sent to the members of the Commission via email. Mayor Conway suggested that we put House Watch in the Rolling Fields newsletter to remind residents of the service. Chief agreed to provide details of program.

December Minutes: Commissioner Beth Moffett moved to approve the December minutes and Commissioner Sheila Oliver seconded the motion. The minutes from December were unanimously approved.

Swearing-In of Commission: All members of the Commission completed the oath for the swearing-in ceremony.

Nomination for Vacant Seat: Commissioner Sheila Oliver nominated Cliff Krawiec to fill the vacant Commission seat. Commissioner Beth Moffett seconded the nomination and the Commission unanimously approved the nomination. Commissioner Cliff Krawiec completed the oath for the swearing-in for his seat.

State of the City: Rolling Fields resident Susan Simpson addressed the Commission regarding aspects of the City that have not been kept “up to par.”

- Snow plowing has not been effective (old trucks and dull blade) and suggested that we have a dedicated contract with a snow removal company;
- The condition of some homes/yards in Rolling Fields reflect poorly on the neighborhood;
- We should have a more up to date newsletter and website (Beth Moffett’s husband, Paul, has volunteered to edit and publish any articles or copy that the City wants published.);
- The lighting in the city is poor and some streets have considerable “dark spots;”
- Commissioner Oliver stated that she would like to see us update the street lights and the street signs (information from LG&E presented at November meeting);
- Mayor Conway stated that unless there is a public health issue, there is nothing that we can do to enforce specific upkeep of personal property;
- Mayor Conway stated that he would look into a more dedicated snow removal service.
- Mayor Conway asked Susan Simpson to itemize what she thinks needs attention;

- Commissioner Wetterer asked Commissioner Oliver to check with LG&E whether adding lights would take away our grandfathered rate and to give a figure as to the new fees.
- Mayor Conway asked that any changes be offered as a motion to be voted on at the February meeting and that “due diligence” information be provided prior to the meeting.

Lighting: There was discussion about whether new lights needed to be added to “dark spot” areas of the neighborhood. Commissioner Oliver asked Commissioner Wetterer to bring a list of potential new light areas. Commissioner Oliver will bring a proposal for new light fixtures, their installation, and the cost of the new rates to the February meeting.

Filing of Financial Interests Statement: All Financial Interests Statements by the Commission were filed according to requirements by law.

MSD Project:

Mayor Conway reported on the activity from MSD on Club and Country Lanes. Mayor Conway has spoken with residents who have spoken with the contractors and the major aspects of the project have been completed. They will repair the streets to look as they did before. Mayor Conway stated that the plan has undergone many changes during the construction process.

Treasurer’s Report: The new software (QuickBooks) did not come with training and Joanna has requested to purchase the training DVD (\$399) or attend a training seminar (\$425). Mayor Conway restated the request and asked for affirmation from the Commission. The expense was unanimously approved by the Commission.

Triangle Beautification Proposal: A copy of the proposal was reviewed by the Commission (proposal attached). The Commission tabled the issue until February when they have an answer to the debate of the new lights.

Bauer Property Development Update:

Commissioner Oliver reported on a conversation she had with Councilman Fleming.

- Rite Aid has backed out of their commitment to the Bauer family;
- Ken Fleming and Tina Ward Pugh are to meet with Skee Bauer next week to discuss the fall-out;
- The future of the former Azalea property is now in question. The property may not be used for a restaurant following the withdrawal of Rite Aid;
- The withdrawal by Rite Aid affects the Brownsboro Road/Country Lane turn lane project. Bauer will be contributing less money, so the turning lane will no longer extend to Mockingbird Gardens entrance.
- Originally, three projects were to be completed at the same time:

- Improvement of the entrance of Old Brownsboro Road at Highland Cleaners - a triangle will be added and it will be right in-right out only with no entrance possible from across Brownsboro Road on Chippewa;
- Chenoweth Lane and Brownsboro Road: Chenoweth Lane will be widened on both sides of the traffic light to allow for a turning lane. The south side of Chenoweth Lane will have a dedicated right turn lane (funnel-shaped and tapering off near the second house on Chenoweth. The north side of Chenoweth will have a dedicated left turn lane to Brownsboro Road.
- Left turn lane from Brownsboro to Country Lane.
- The first two projects will be let next week. One month will be allowed for the bids, then 2-3 weeks to negotiate and choose a bid and construction likely the beginning of March.
- The third turn lane project has been approved and funded but will be let later, pending the meeting with Bauer.
- Commissioner Oliver will ask Councilman Fleming to address the Commission when he has the full assessment of the situation with some of the pending questions answered.

Rolling Fields Condominiums: The Condo Association has a new president (Andrea Carter) who is concerned about the widening of Brownsboro Road and how that affects their parking and the proximity of traffic to their condos. She also told Mayor Conway that they will replace the Rolling Fields sign that is gone. They also plan to dismantle the small walking bridge and not replace it.

Newsletter Items to be Included: Thank you to Paul Moffett who has graciously volunteered to assemble the Rolling Fields newsletter. A search for a “content aggregator” will be necessary.

Adjournment and Next Meeting: Having no new business, the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m. by a motion from Commissioner Oliver with a second from Commissioner Moffett. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 10, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at Second Presbyterian Church

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Schrepferman
Clerk, Rolling Fields

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Rolling Fields Island**Estimate for Landscape Improvements**

The following estimate includes the cost to place a cobblestone border around the outside perimeter of the grassy island at the intersection of Rolling and Pennington Lanes. Cobblestones will be set 3” above grade in a cement base. Topsoil will be added to level area and raise the grade behind the stones. The entire area will be finished with sod.

Cobblestones	\$ 800
Stone mason labor	2,130
Topsoil, sod, grading	1,575
Project oversight by Barbie Thomas	250
Total	\$4,755