

CITY OF KINGSLEY
COUNCIL MEETING

January 7, 2021 Special Zoom Meeting due to COVID 19

Present:

*Becky Beld
Stephanie Rosenik
Marilyn Whisler*

*Lesa Ferguson
Alik Royalty
Finn Cato*

*George Burns
Tom Schlindwein
Chief Mike Lamey*

Mayor Beld called to order at 7:02 PM a special commissioners monthly meeting via a Zoom online meeting due to the COVID 19 Social Distancing Requirements enacted by Governor Beshear.

PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES:

Alik made a motion to accept the December Commissioners' meeting minutes as presented. Lesa seconded and the motion was passed.

COMMISSIONER'S SWEARING IN OATH OF OFFICE

Per regulations, the Commissioners' signed oaths were mailed to the Jefferson County Clerk's office Attn: Deed Room by Becky after she signed each document testifying as to the oath taking ceremony's completion.

TREE BOARD:

No tree removal permits were received in December.

POLICE REPORT:

Prior to Chief Lamey's attendance, Becky reported there has been no further sightings of adolescent kids trying door handles on parked cars within Kingsley.

Chief Lamey reported a Kingsley resident had hired a professional leaf removal service that had blown their leaves onto Taylorsville Rd creating a potential traffic slip hazard for motorists during rain. Chief Lamey spoke to the resident and they had the leaf service return and clean up the leaves from Taylorsville Rd..

His team caught multiple stop sign violations, one resulting in apprehending a teenage driver with 3 grams of marijuana that had supposedly been purchased either in Kingsley, or close to

Kingsley. No address of the dealer was given. The officer's police dog trained in detecting drugs alerted the officer to the presence of drugs.

There was also a DUI stop for a motorist who was driving erratically. She told the officer she had just purchased and 'taken five hits' of the marijuana she recently purchased from her dealer. She was visibly impaired and not speaking clearly. The motorist did not give an address of the dealer. She appeared to be coming from the Gladstone area and was arrested and jailed.

When her trial date comes up the Chief will continue to work with her to identify the address of the dealer.

There was a call to a home in the Metro section on Gladstone involving a man who had overdosed on heroin and was unresponsive. Officer Clark administered Narcan. Due to these three drug related incidences, Chief Lamey is staying involved with the violators as closely as possible to identify the dealer..

Becky received a phone call that an elderly female motorist cutting through the neighborhood appeared to be stuck at the Montrose intersection. Becky immediately called both Chief Lamey and Lesa requesting they go to the scene. Both arrived within minutes but the motorist and the vehicle were gone. The Chief reported he did not see any marks that might have been left by the vehicle. It was reported the vehicle might have been a silver Altima sedan.

CITY TREASURER'S REPORT:

Tom submitted the Treasurer's report as follows:

SVPD	Police Service (Oct '20)	\$1,314.83
SVPD	Police Service (Nov '20)	\$1,522.50
KY League of Cities	Annual Membership Dues	\$400.00
Marilyn Whisler	Zoom Video	\$14.99
Wallitsch Nursery	Landscaping at Traffic Circle and Park Walkway	\$5,596.95
Wallitsch Nursery	Remove 2 Trees and Replace 2 Trees ,	\$513.00
Marilyn Whisler	Postage for Newsletter	99.00
Marilyn Whisler	Printing Newsletter	\$574.71
Heritage Engineering	Final Construction Admin Costs	\$3,225.00
Fresh Look Services	Fall Clean Up	\$825.00
Fresh Look Services	Fall Mulching	\$525.00
Louisville Geek	Website Development & Training	\$2,650.00
Louisville Geek	Annual Website Hosting	\$354.00
Wayne's Lawn Service	Snow Removal Service	\$329.25
Tom Schlindwein	Printer Paper	\$6.99
Tom Schlindwein	Postage Related to Delinquent Tax payor	\$32.12
Marilyn Whisler	Convert Newsletter to .pdf	\$6.75
Daren Ferguson	Refund - Exemption	\$116.73

Account Balances:

Bank	Account	Account #	Balance
First Financial Bank	General Checking (.05%)		\$31,849.36
First Financial Bank	Money Market Savings (1.00%)		\$28,866.86
First Financial Bank	MRA Checking (.05%)		\$13,620.17
First Financial Bank	Bond Escrow Checking (0.0%)		\$400.00
First Financial Bank	CD-18 mo FFB (2.17%)	(Mat 01/29/2021)	\$52,572.06
First Financial Bank	CD-18 mo FFB (2.02%)	(Mat 02/12/2021)	\$12,712.85
First Financial Bank	CD-6 mo FFB (.40%)	(Mat 04/10/2021)	\$65,724.90
First Financial Bank	CD-18 mo FFB (2.63%)	(Mat 05/15/2022)	\$53,295.63

George made a motion to pay the regular bills and these others. Aliko seconded and the motion was passed.

Tom received a cancellation notice from a company named State Auto. This is an independent agency with whom the City has had a policy since 1987. It was a governmental criminal theft policy that no longer was handled by this company. The independent agent did not return phone calls requesting additional information. The attorney was asked whether this old policy was needed since the City has KLC bond coverage covering revenue and assets. The opinion was that while it does not appear necessary it would be best to have KLC review and compare the cancelled policy and KLC's. KLC was contacted and they are in the process of reviewing. They will advise if any action is needed.

Aliko made a motion to retroactively approve payment to Louisville Geek of \$354.00 for the annual web hosting of the new website. The company hosting the old website would not host the new site. George seconded and the motion was passed.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Linda Ain sent Kingsley an email concerning the Emergency Broadband Benefit Program where eligible households can receive a discount on broadband service. Linda will keep Finn up to date with what progress the FCC is making on this relief program.

Finn reported other Home Rule Cities he works with use American Legal Publishing to manage their ordinances. ALP can codify and store ordinances, keep track of any Metro or KY laws that might invalidate a Kingsley ordinance, and assist in the creation of new ordinances. Finn will investigate what it would cost Kingsley to contract with them for a year, and what services they could offer Kingsley.

George made a motion to allow Finn to work with Wellington's and Strathmoor Village's attorneys concerning recovery of funds to the City to clean the 12 STOP sign posts in Kingsley from the adhesive used by a Hawthorne resident to post Lost Bird signs. The Hawthorne resident would not answer the door or phone calls after he was told it was a violation to attach any type of signs to City of Kingsley signs.

COMMISSIONER'S ASSIGNMENTS REVIEW:

For the upcoming term of office, Becky reviewed with the commissioners their tasks and got their agreement to accept those tasks.

SOLAR POWERED SPEED TRAFFIC SIGNS:

Seneca Gardens Mayor contacted Mayors of surrounding home rule cities to see whether we would be interested in contracting to purchase solar powered traffic signs which flash the speed a vehicle is moving and advises the motorist to slow down. St. Matthews uses these signs throughout their city on side streets with high volume cut through traffic. Metro is also installing some of them along Trevillian Way.

Becky had also contacted Brandon Coan to see whether these types of signs could be used along Taylorsville Road in an attempt to slow traffic down. He checked with Metro Public Works to see what were the possibilities. They responded that LMPD would have to support their use by joining in the request but Public Works had learned that the Ky Highway Department would only allow these signs to be in place for 30 days and then the signs would have to be moved to a different location along the roadway. Learning this Brandon advised we might try getting with the new council person to try to have the Ky Highway Department do a case study of Taylorsville Road and develop a road diet.

After discussion it was decided to not purchase the solar powered signs. Instead, George and Stephanie would begin contacts with neighboring cities to work towards a road diet for Taylorsville Road.

In the meantime Chief Lamey was asked whether SVPD could patrol/run radar on Taylorsville Road to slow down the speeding vehicles. He advised we would need to contact the Strathmoor Village Mayor to get permission for SVPD to do this.

WARNING SIGNS:

Becky sent the commissioners copies of various warning signs (object markers, caution, reduce speed, etc.) approved by the Federal MUTCD which could be installed to alert drivers to the changes that have occurred in the five-way intersection. There was discussion regarding the failure of some drivers who may be unfamiliar with Kingsley to appropriately reduce their speed at the intersection or be attentive to their surroundings and how they would maneuver their vehicle around the traffic island. It was also noted that the majority of the roads within Kingsley AND other close by neighborhoods are narrow and have some tight turns. The commissioners decided to not have any cautionary signs installed.

PARK BENCHES:

George will contact the Vet and Groomer on Taylorsville Rd and ask if they would sponsor a park bench within Kingsley Green. Aliki had previously contacted the First Financial Bank and they agreed to participate provided a plaque shows their participation.

FLAG CONTEST:

Aliki reported she has received a flag design from a resident's child. She will put a note on Next Door to remind Kingsley residents about the contest.

MAYOR'S STIPEND:

Becky reminded commissioners that the stipend for both the Mayor and the Commissioners were scheduled to increase effective January 2021 and that she did not want the increase. Through the end of 12/31/20 the Mayor's stipend was \$80 per month and each commissioner received \$75 per month. The scheduled increases raised the Mayor's monthly stipend to \$200

and the each Commissioner's to \$100. She indicated a more appropriate amount would be no more than \$5 above that of the Commissioner's stipend. Finn also stated that there are some small home rule cities in which neither the Mayor nor Commissioners are paid anything. George made a motion to change Becky's monthly stipend to \$5 more than the Commissioner's stipend. Aliko seconded and the motion was passed.

POSSIBLE UPCOMING CITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS:

The prioritization of City improvement projects was put on hold until the budget for the upcoming fiscal year is better understood. It was also understood that all of the listed possible improvements did not mean they would be scheduled for the upcoming fiscal year--rather they were simply ways to further improve the city and make it more attractive to individuals considering the purchase of a home.

Certain income sources have seen a reduction, such as the Municipal Road Aid Fund, partial police funding, interest income on savings while certain expenses have increased.

CLOSING:

Lesia made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Aliko seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 9:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Whisler
City Clerk
City of Kingsley

Becky Beld
Mayor
City of Kingsley