

CITY OF KINGSLEY  
November 2, 2023

Present:

Mayor: Tom Schlindwein  
Treasurer: Lesa Ferguson  
City Attorney: Finn Cato  
Tree Board: Susan Melcher

Commissioners: Alik Royalty, Andy Looney, Ron Peron  
Clerk: Marilyn Whisler  
City Police: Chief Lamey

The meeting was called to order at 7:03PM by Mayor Schlindwein.

RECOGNIZING VISITORS:

Tom made a motion to appoint Jamie Klein as commissioner to replace Alik Royalty effective December 1st. Jamie moved with his family to Kingsley in 2019. He was born and raised in Louisville and is a member of the Tree Board. Ron seconded and the motion was passed. Jamie will be sworn in at the start of the December meeting.

PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES:

Andy made a motion to accept the October Commissioners' meeting minutes with changes discussed. Ron seconded and the motion was passed.

POLICE REPORT:

Chief Lamey presented his report for October as follows:

9 Traffic stops at the five way intersection and Montrose Lane at Tyler Lane

5 House watches

2 Calls on Coyote sighting at Kingsley Green Park and Montrose. No coyotes were spotted and one resident said it could have been a large dog, which also wasn't spotted.

1 Suspicious person at Kingsley Green Park. Homeless, removed to a shelter.

5 Traffic stops for speeding on Taylorsville Rd (3 tickets, 2 warnings)

1 Stalker in Strathmoor Village. Stalker was captured on Hawthorne Ave after a foot chase starting at the Speedway. A total of 15 units were dispatched to assist in the capture.

CITY TREASURER'S REPORT:

Lesa submitted the Treasurer's report as follows:

Account Balances:

Bank	Account	Account #	Balance
First Financial Bank	General Checking		\$22,624.13
First Financial Bank	Money Market Savings		\$43,496.93
First Financial Bank	MRA Checking		\$14,454.38
First Financial Bank	Bond Escrow Checking		\$100.00
First Financial Bank	ARRA Checking		\$100.00
River City Bank	CD-12mo RCB 4.25%	(Mat 12/13/2023)	\$103,244.46
River City Bank	CD-12mo RCB 4.75%	(Mat 9/18/2024)	\$100,000.00
KLCIP/PNC	Money Market Fund		\$103,809.17

Payments:

Cato & Cato	Retainer-Legal Services	\$625.00
Nan Schlindwein	Welcome Basket	\$18.00
Westcor Land Title Ins Co	Refund overpayment of Qtr ended 12/31/21	\$17.50
William Abshire	Homestead Exemption 2023	\$119.19
Jefferson County	Fire Protection 2023-2024	\$31,170.00
Louisville Geek	Website Hosting Fee	\$354.00

Aliki made a motion to pay the regular bills and these others. Andy seconded and the motion was passed.

There are outstanding tax bills from two residences. Lesa is calculating the penalties by the month paid, both the current month and the next, and sending courtesy letters to both homes.

Ron made a motion to allow Lesa to cash out the CD that matures 12/13/23 and to move the money to the KLCIP Money Market Account for the short-term. It was discussed using the proceeds to purchase a 12-month CD in March of 2024 so CD maturity dates would be better spread through the year (our other 12-month CD matures in September 2024). The KLCIP Money Market account current returns are comparable to current CD rates. Andy seconded and the motion was passed.

QUARTERLY BUDGET COMPARISON:

Lesla presented the first quarter budget comparison report to the commission. The revenue and expenses were reviewed and discussed by the commission. We have spent approximately 24% of our budget in the previous quarter.

ODD YEAR AUDIT UPDATE:

Tom and Lesa met with Brian Cobb to confirm he has the information he needs. Brian will be at the December meeting to present the audit report.

RENTAL PROPERTY ORDINANCE:

Finn recommended amending Ordinance #2 Series 2022 vs repealing it and then creating a new ordinance. The new ordinance amending the current ordinance will be Ordinance #3 Series 2023. Some of the amendments were removing line items that are covered in other ordinances to streamline the ordinance.

TREE BOARD:

With the loss of trees in Kingsley Green Park during recent wind storms, Tree Board members are considering what replantings should be recommended. They will present their recommendations at a later meeting.

In response to the mayor's request to investigate any available grants, Tree Board identified an LG&E grant. Susan filled out the first part of the application but did not get any confirmation of receipt from LG&E, even after calling them and leaving messages. The deadline was October 31, 2023 so the Tree Board feels they have missed this grant opportunity.

The residence on Taylorsville Rd with the broken branch hanging high in the tree has had the branch removed.

INSURANCE PREMIUM TAX ORDINANCE:

Tom will draft an ordinance to amend Ordinance #1, Series 2019.

OLD BUSINESS:

George – In George’s absence, Tom presented a spreadsheet showing a total cost of \$8027.20 for the 2023 picnic. With Strathmoor absorbing 60% of the costs, they will owe \$4816.32 and Kingsley will be responsible for \$3210.88. Tom will draft a letter to the mayor of Strathmoor informing him of this summary. There are two open costs (the band and the balloon man) that Strathmoor has not presented yet that may affect this summary.

Andy – The speed limit sign has not been installed yet. He has followed up with the company owner to get it installed.

COMMISSIONER’S COMMENTS:

Aliki – No issues.

Ron— No issues

George – Not present

Andy – No issues

MAYOR’S COMMENTS:

After the last wind storm, the mayor received several calls about a tree on Taylorsville Rd that had a large broken branch suspended in the branches high in a tree not immediately visible from the ground. This was the tree reported in the Tree Board report. He contacted the residents and the branch was recently removed.

Tom wanted to remind us we are commissioners, etc but also stewards of the city. When driving through Kingsley we should watch for potential safety issues/ordinance violations. If we see something, let him know immediately.

ATTORNEY COMMENTS:

Finn informed us of a recent Court of Appeals decision where business for a Kentucky company was conducted on personal employee phones and personal emails. The court decided if there is an Open Records request, any city business matters conducted on personal phones and personal emails would be subject to the request. This decision is subject to appeal. Finn recommended we investigate getting Kingsley emails that are separate from our personal emails.

Andy has experience at setting up email addresses for employees such as [Clerk@cityofkingsley.org](mailto:Clerk@cityofkingsley.org) or [Treasurer@cityofkingsley.org](mailto:Treasurer@cityofkingsley.org), etc. He will meet with Marilyn before the next meeting to work with Louisville Geek to set up email addresses for all of us.

CLOSING:

Andy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Aliko seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 8:49 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Whisler  
Clerk  
City of Kingsley

Tom Schlindwein  
Mayor  
City of Kingsley