

CITY OF FOREST HILLS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 14, 2017

Mayor Kenny Griffin opened the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. Meeting was held in Forest Commons Community Room.

City Commissioner Members: Kenneth Griffin (Mayor), Sharon Doll (Public Works), Sharon Henry (Finance/Landscaping), Susie Strange (Safety), and Lydia Moel (Sanitation).

City Employees: NSAP Lt. Hondro Cabrera (police officer), Pat Cooke (Clerk/Treasurer), John Singler (Attorney) and Mark Madison (City Engineer & Code Enforcement Officer).

Others Present: Residents Sun Yi, Robbie Taylor, prospective buyer for resident property, church members Jim and Linda Ayers.

Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call: All present except Mark Madison and Lt. Cabrera

Mayor Griffin recognized resident Sun Yi. She asked that the Board approve her request to build a fence on her property. A motion was made by Com. Henry, seconded by Com. Strange to approve the fence. Motion carried. Discussion followed about problems with fence line and also questions answered about the use of property that may be sold that does not have access. There was also a question about renting the present home. An application and rental fee would be necessary.

Mr. and Mrs. Ayers gave a report on the mold situation in the Church. They are getting bids to replace the HVAC units and the proper treatment of the building which will require replacing some drywall and removal of carpet, etc. This problem will take about a month to complete once it is started. They will keep the Board informed about the progress. They also reported some vandalism on the outside of the church so they are looking into installing cameras. The Board informed them that the City can continue to meet at Forest Commons as long as necessary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and a motion to approve was made by Com. Henry, seconded by Com. Strange. Motion carried.

Reports:

Finance/Landscaping: The City has a total of \$312,450 in various accounts. There is an error on the P&L for Accounts Receivable that will be corrected through the audit. A CD is coming due on Sept. 3rd and it will just be allowed to roll over.

As far as landscaping, John Waters has completed the installation of light sensors at the entrances. Com. Moel reported that a sprinkler is broken at the Axminster entrance. Com. Henry has asked Edwards Landscaping to clean out the overgrown section of Axminster every three weeks. Com. Henry has contacted Forest Commons about cutting the grass between their fence and the easement on the other side.

Sanitation: Now that the Waste Management crew is collecting earlier in the day, people need to set their garbage out the night before. Com. Moel brought up the fact that several people had approached her about the City sponsoring a bonfire in the fall. She will look into what would need to be worked out with the Fire Department, etc.

Public Safety: Com. Strange reported it has been quiet in the City except for normal things. She will contact the sign company about setting up the signs for the upcoming annual yard sale.

Public Works: Com. Doll said she received a suspicious phone call she reported to the J-town Police. She will be out of town for the next meeting and will need for someone else to put up the No Parking signs for the yard sale. There was some discussion about a holiday party. Since the Church may not be available, the Board will look into other possibilities, perhaps seeing if it could be held at Forest Commons. The former caterer is no longer in business so she asked for suggestions to cater if there is a party.

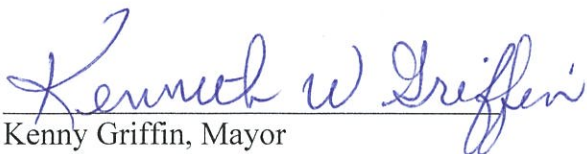
City Clerk: She questioned what is the next step for reimbursement from Metro Government now that the sidewalk leveling project has been completed. She will contact Councilwoman Marilyn Parker's assistant to see what needs to be done. The phone service contract was due to expire and after talking with AT&T, the City qualified for a better rate and the phone and internet services will be reduced by \$100 a month. Newsletter articles need to be in by Aug. 21st.

City Attorney: Mr. Singler gave a report on some yard issues that he has notified owners about. He has filed a claim against an estate that has several liens on it.

City Engineer: No report.

Mayor: He stated that the sidewalk agreement with TARC had been signed and is a go. Plans have been received. Mark Madison had also figured cost of a sidewalk from Narwood to Cherian and the City will ask TARC to pay 50%. May need to ask Jeffersontown to help pay part of the cost. This project should be completed by the end of the year. There is a meeting scheduled for next week with the Mayor, Mark Madison, John Singler and TARC.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.


Kenny Griffin, Mayor


Pat Cooke, Clerk

Date approved: 9/11/17

The minutes stand unapproved until signed.