

**City of Hills and Dales**  
**Minutes of the City Commission Meeting**  
**Thursday, January 12, 2023**  
**7:00 p.m.**

The Commission met in regular session on Thursday, January 12, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Treasurer Joan Taylor, 3300 Mt. Rainier Drive. City Officials present were Mayor Andreas Wokutch and Commissioners Michael Adair, Bill Bowman, Roger Owen and Barbara Rogers. Treasurer Joan Taylor and City Clerk Jeanne Keats also attended. Mayor Wokutch called the meeting to order.

**Minutes**

*Mayor Wokutch called for a motion to approve the December 8, 2022 Regular Commission Meeting minutes. Commissioner Adair so moved, Commissioner Owen seconded and the Commission approved by unanimous vote.*

**Resident Comments**

No residents were in attendance.

**Treasurer's Report**

Financials

Treasurer Taylor reported on financials through December 31, 2022. She told the Commission the Balance Sheet showed City assets of \$326,625.80 and the City has no liabilities. The Profit and Loss Detail showed total income for the month of November of \$444.63 and total expenses of \$4,265.97. The Profit and Loss Budget vs. Actual showed that revenues and expenses were in line with the budget.

Bonding of New Mayor

Treasurer Taylor also reported that Mayor Wokutch has replaced former mayor Johanson as one of the two bonded city officials. It is the City's practice for both the mayor and the treasurer to be bank account signatories for the City's accounts with authority to transact and, therefore, both are bonded. She said that she and Mayor Wokutch are bonded for \$100,000 each, and these bonds are continuous until such time as the commission wishes to change them.

*Mayor Wokutch called for a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report on December financials. Commissioner Owen so moved, Commissioner Adair seconded and the Commission approved by unanimous vote.*

**REGULAR COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Municipal Governance and Legal**

Municipal Order 2023-1 re: Assignment of Commission Committees

*After discussion, Mayor Wokutch called for a motion to approve Municipal Order 2023-1 re: Assignment of Commission Committees as follows:*

*Mayor Andreas Wokutch  
Commissioner Michael Adair  
Commissioner Bill Bowman  
Commissioner Roger Owen  
Commissioner Barbara Rogers*

*Municipal Governance and Legal  
Technology Services and Community Security  
Roads, Snow Removal and Signage  
Maintenance, Utilities and Beautification  
Communications and Neighborhood*

*Commissioner Rogers so moved, Commissioner Owen seconded and the Commission approved by unanimous vote*

Municipal Order 2023-2 re: Appointment of Mayor Pro Tem

*After discussion, Mayor Wokutch called for a motion to adopt Municipal Order 2023-2 re: Appointment of a Mayor Pro Tem as required following each election of a new Commission. Municipal Order 2023-2 appoints Commissioner Roger Owen Mayor Pro Tem. Commissioner Bowman so moved, Mayor Wokutch seconded, and the Commission approved by unanimous vote.*

**Maintenance, Utilities and Beautification**

Nally Snow Removal

Commissioner Owen discussed recent snow removal services provided by Nally Snow Removal, the City's new snow removal contractor, with the Commission. The Commission's comments were positive. Commissioner Owen said the City has not yet received the invoice for these services.

Removal of Fir Tree Stump

Commissioner Owen asked the Commission for feedback about removing the stump that was left when a Fir tree was cut down at the entrance not long ago. The Commission agreed that it would be nice to get rid of it and plant something in its place in the spring. Commissioner Owen estimated the cost to be around \$100, and he said he would pursue getting the stump removed.

Ready Electric – Replacement of Electric Line

Commissioner Owen told the Commission he has heard nothing further from Ready Electric regarding the costs and feasibility of replacing the City's electric line that feeds power to the entrance lights and security cameras. He said he would tell Ready Electric that the Commission is anxious to have this information by the February 9 Commission meeting. The Commission's goal is to utilize Federal ARPA funds to replace this electric line.

**Roads, Snow Removal and Signage**

Commissioner Bowman reported that he and Commissioner Owen met recently to discuss the City's roads, snow removal and signage, the areas that will be under his committee responsibility. He said he and Commissioner Owen will work together initially while he learns more about these areas.

**Technology Services and Community Security**

Camera Outages

Commissioner Adair told the Commission that about a week ago, the entrance security cameras were out again, probably due to a power glitch. He said these outages will continue unless a new power line is installed. (See above "Maintenance, Utilities and Beautification" Ready Electric – Replacement of Electric Line.) The City's Unified Care maintenance agreement for repairs to the camera system will be in effect until December 31, 2023.

Website Log-In Issues

Commissioner Adair told the Commission that he would remain after the meeting to answer questions and provide assistance with website log-in issues.

**Communications and Neighborhood**

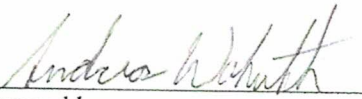
Winter Newsletter

Commissioner Rogers reviewed the contents of the winter newsletter with the Commission. Articles to be included are a recap of the recent City holiday gathering, contact information for all city officials and the Planning Committee, general explanation of the role of the Commission, information about coyotes in our midst, links to selected Louisville Metro Ordinances, tips for safety and security and more.

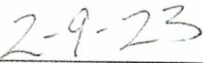
**Other Business**

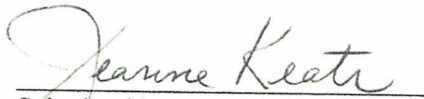
**Adjournment**

*There being no further business to come before the Commission, Mayor Wokutch called for a motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Bowman so moved, Commissioner Owen seconded and the Commission approved by unanimous vote. The formal meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.*

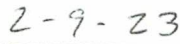


Approved by  
Mayor Andreas Wokutch

  
Date



Submitted by  
City Clerk Jeanne Keats

  
Date

***NEXT COMMISSION MEETING***  
***Thursday, February 9, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.***  
***Home of Treasurer Joan Taylor at 3300 Mt. Rainier Drive***