

CITY OF CROSSGATE
THOMAS JEFFERSON UNITARIAN CHURCH ANNEX
REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, JULY 9, 2012

The meeting came to order at 7:03 p.m. Present at the meeting were Mayor Pro-tem John Lepping, Commissioners Larry Kirshenbaum, Bobby Hazen and Anna Stanley Hoffman. Also present were Treasurer Tom Elmes, Clerk Susan Dotson, thirteen City residents and two individuals representing the Blue Equities the owner of the Midlands property adjacent to Crossgate and the proposed site for the new VA Medical Center.

The June 11th minutes were approved, first by Commissioner Kirshenbaum and second by Commissioner Hoffman.

The June 26th special meeting minutes were approved, first by Commissioner Hoffman and second by Commissioner Kirshenbaum. The June 26th meeting was for the sole purpose having the second reading of the City Tax and Budget ordinances, 01 series 2012 and 02 series 2012.

The July 5th special meeting minutes were approved, first by Commissioner Kirshenbaum and second by Commissioner Hoffman. The July 5th meeting was for the sole purpose of the election and swearing in of the new City Mayor Kirk Hilbrecht.

The Treasurer's report for June was presented by Tom Elmes. The report was approved first by Commissioner Hazen and second by Commissioner Hoffman. Treasurer Elmes reported that the Kentucky state road fund had not been received this month, and the issue was being looked into. Treasurer Elmes also gave the Commission a recap of expenses for the fiscal year 2011-2012 and mentioned that the City had received more insurance funds than expected.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS

Per Commissioner Hazen, the City had two new families move in and two more houses in the city, possibly a third will be going on the market soon.

The Graymoor-Devondale police report was also reviewed, and residents were reminded that the Graymoor-Devondale police provide a home watch when residents are on vacation.

A new City directory will be published next year (2013). The directory is published on odd numbered years.

Per Commissioner Hoffman, she is working with the new Mayor to help update the City e-mail list so it can be more effective and efficient for the City. Commissioner Hoffman also informed

the Commission that the picnic committee formed this past May has not gotten back to her and she has no new information on the subject at this time.

The annual citywide yard sale will be held Saturday, August 4th; Commissioner Hoffman will publish a notification about the yard sale in the Voice, Leo, Courier and post an announcement on Craigslist.

Per Commissioner Kirschenbaum, no new information on new street signs for the City is available yet but he expects to have a full report at the regularly scheduled meeting in August.

Per Commissioner Lepping, the Waste Management contract has been extended for one more year with the City at no additional cost and that the only other maintenance being performed in the City at this time is routine grounds maintenance.

A City resident has expressed concern about another City resident parking their RV in their driveway. The resident in question was sent a letter referencing the Jefferson County ordinance which regulates RV's.

The final results of the Crossgate traffic study done by Neel-Schaffer Inc. have not yet been received. When the final results are received they will be compared to the traffic studies done by the VA and Blue Equity.

The Treasurer received a fuel service charge, in addition to the contract fee from Class A Lawn Service; the Treasurer notified the Commission that he paid the base amount only not the fuel service fee to the contractor.

The City of Crossgate has renewed its membership with Kentucky League of Cities.

NEW BUSINESS

Concerning the VA Medical Center Development.

The Commission held a discussion on the possibility of the City retaining council to review the VA Medical Center Development as issues may come up that the City feels needs to be addressed.

Review the development

Review the commission and land development plan

Review issues as needed concerning the VA Medical Center Development

Commissioner Lepping made a motion to pass a resolution authorizing the City Commission to look for an attorney to represent the City of Crossgate when needed concerning the VA medical development, but not a specific firm at this time. First by Commissioner Kirschenbaum, second by Commissioner Hoffman, Commissioner Hazen opposed, the motion passed.

Some Crossgate residents expressed concern about the cost of such action and made it clear that they do not want the City to waste its limited funds on this matter. The Commission made clear to the residents present that the City has no intention of suing the VA over the medical center development.

The Commission then took a second vote to clarify the resolution made earlier. A motion was made to look for and secure an attorney or attorneys to represent the City when dealing with the VA Medical Center Development and that not more than ten thousand dollars be spent for this initial process. The vote was two yes and two no resulting in a tie. A proxy vote was then cast for absentee Mayor Hilbrecht voting yes. The motion passed.

Adjourned at 7:53 p.m. First by Commissioner Hazen and second by Commissioner Hoffman.

City Clerk

Susan Dotson