

THE MINUTES OF THE STRATHMOOR VILLAGE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON MONDAY FEBRUARY 9, 2009 AT FIRST CAPITAL

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Vicki Bell at 6:30 p.m. Those in attendance were: Mayor Vicki Bell, Commissioners Jay Bowman, Tim Haertel, and Peggy Preston, Atty. Stan Chauvin, III, Treasurer Mark Klein, Chief Joe Renzi, Clerk Sheila Kaelin
GUESTS: Clay Porter, Susan Melcher, Randy Stambaugh, Don Angermeier, Pete Angermeier, Marilyn Mitchell, Al Cabrera, Thelma Brooks, David Brooks, Carolyn Browning, Marguerite Drane, Terry Anderson, Sandy Price, Janet Board, Leah Pepper, Mike Petra, Bonnie Brown, Scott Barrow, Bob Arnold., and John Aubrey, Jr.

MINUTES

Mayor Bell read the minutes of the special meeting on January 22, 2009. Vicki made a motion to approve, and Peggy Preston seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Vicki read the minutes of the regular meeting on January 9, 2009. With the correction under Website noted Vicki made a motion to approve, and Tim Haertel seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

ETHICS COMMITTEE

Bonnie Brown had no report.

GUESTS

Al Cabrera explained the services available through NSAP (Neighborhood Security and Asset Protection). An information sheet about NSAP is a part of the minutes.

Leah Pepper, assistant to Brent Ackerson, stated that letters were mailed today to small cities and neighborhood associations in the 26th district about their wish lists. Public works will pick up storm debris at the curbside in Strathmoor Village. Branches must be in six foot lengths, and Public Works will pick these up according to a schedule.

Clay Porter, PVA government liaison, explained the assessment process, appeal process, and available exemptions by the PVA. The website address is www.pvalouky.org. where residents can obtain information about the PVA.

David Brooks read a statement about the Board's decision about the tax issue. This statement is a part of the minutes. Thelma Brooks requested a letter about the Board's decision in regard to their request. Stan will send one to them.

John Aubrey, Jr. explained the services of his security firm. The website is Kleonline.net. All officers are metro officers and work a minimum of a 4 hour block.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Renzi presented the monthly report which is a part of the minutes. He stated that Scott Barrow will resign effective February 13, 2009. Bob Arnold has applied for a part-time position of 1-2 days per week with the SVPD. He took the psychological exam in Richmond last week, but the results have not been received. Scott performed a background check on Bob.

Mike Petra's probationary period ends today. He is scheduled for Richmond next week for in-service.

Scott suggested that the Board consider an ordinance that requires residents to use their driveways during times of snow and ice. Mayor Bell said that the residents need to be informed about these situations.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Atty. Chauvin prepared a municipal order regarding Mayor Pro-Tem and will bring it to the next meeting. Stan contacted Mr. Triplett about Tim Haertel's driveway. Tim said that he has not heard from Mr. Triplett. Stan will call Mr. Triplett and give him Tim's cell phone number. The house at 2510 Tennyson will be auctioned next Tuesday. Any questions about this property should be referred to Stan.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Vicki presented the bill from Bisig for snow removal (\$1275. – 300. retainer = \$975.00 total). Vicki made a motion to pay the bill for snow removal in the amount of \$975.00, and Jay Bowman seconded. There was discussion about snow removal, and it was decided that Bisig will call Vicki after he has plowed the streets, and Bob Baker will talk with him about salt and brine. After discussion the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mark Klein reported that bonding is in effect. Treasurer Klein presented the interest rates for Republic's Money Market CD which is .06% and 1st Capital's Gold Account which pays 2% (10,000. of Strathmoor's Road Fund is in this latter account). After discussion Vicki made a motion to move the Strathmoor Village Road Fund from Republic in the amount of \$52,183.00 to 1st Capital, and Tim seconded. The motion passed with the voting as follows: Tim Haertel – yea Jay Bowman – yea Vicki Bell – yea Peggy Preston – abstain.

There was discussion about a corporate or purchasing card. There can be a limit of \$500. with two cards to be issued. After discussion Jay made a motion to establish a \$500. credit account in the name of Strathmoor Village through 1st Capital with two cards, one to be held by the Bookkeeper and one by the Mayor, and Peggy seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Mark reported that ninety-seven out of two hundred ninety-two tax bills have been paid to date. Next month he will inform the Board about the number of homeowners who took advantage of the discount and the plan of attack for the beyond on time payment period.

Treasurer Klein presented the police expense sheet as follows:

\$25,284.paid by Strathmoor Manor with one hundred forty households

\$31,200.paid by Kingsley with one hundred eighty households

\$38,269.paid by Strathmoor Village with two hundred ninety-two households.

Mark presented two bills for approval: \$22.40 for flyers to Peggy Preston and \$270.67 to Betty Manek for supplies. After discussion Vicki made a motion to approve payment of these two bills, and Jay seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Mark presented the monthly financial report. After discussion Jay made a motion to approve the financial report, and Peggy seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

SIDEWALKS/STREETS

There was no report.

LIGHTING/SIGNS

The mailing address for the LGE bill is PO Box 5253, Louisville, KY 40255. Jay will get the four bills from Betty and contact LGE about combining the four. He will report the rear light problem for 2242 Gladstone to LGE as well as obtain information on green lighting from LGE.

SANITATION

There was discussion about possible reimbursement for tree service from FEMA due to the recent natural disasters. Jay said that the next newsletter should ask residents to put their garbage cans in front during a natural disaster.

WEBSITE/NEWSLETTER

Articles for the March newsletter should be given to Tim at the March meeting. Any updates for the website should be sent to Tim.

TREES

There was discussion about waiting for Public Works to pick up storm debris versus paying a private contractor for this service for Strathmoor Village. Peggy delivered a

flyer to residents about Strathmoor Village's policy on dumpsters and reimbursement for tree and debris removal. Peggy made a motion that Strathmoor Village pay for the removal of hanging branches overhead and trimmings from the trees in the easement which are hazardous and any pruning that is necessary for the health of the tree due to extenuating circumstances and the contractor will shred only what he cuts, and Vicki seconded. After discussion the motion passed unanimously.

Peggy presented three tree estimates (see sheet that is a part of the minutes). Vicki made a motion to use T's Trees per the written estimate of \$10,313., and Peggy seconded. After discussion the motion passed with the voting as follows: Peggy Preston – yea Tim Haertel – yea Vicki Bell – yea Jay Bowman – abstain.

Peggy is working on a grant for beautification of the islands. She will call the Courier-Journal about the papers that are being thrown onto driveways in Strathmoor Village.

Pursuant to KRS 61.810 the Board went into closed session to discuss police personnel matters at 9:18 p.m. Only the police personnel matters were discussed, and no action was taken. The closed session ended at 9:35 p.m.

After extensive discussion which included the factors set out in the SVPD SOP on page II-5, Jay made a motion to hire Bob Arnold for a twenty-four per week position in the SVPD, pending the psychological testing results and Stan's review of Bob Arnold's investigative background report, and Tim seconded. The motion passed with the voting as follows: Vicki Bell – abstain Peggy Preston – yea Tim Haertel – yea Jay Bowman – yea.

After extensive discussion in closed session regarding Officer Petra's probationary status, including the fact that he has not received any write-ups or complaints from residents during his probationary period, Jay made a motion to remove Officer Petra from probationary status and make him a full-time officer, pending a written report from Chief Renzi, and Tim seconded. The motion passed with the voting as follows: Peggy Preston – yea Tim Haertel – yea Jay Bowman – yea Vicki Bell – abstain.

There being no further business Vicki made a motion to adjourn, and Peggy seconded. The meeting adjourned at 9:47 p.m.

Vicki Bell, Mayor

Sheila Kaelin, Clerk