

City of Strathmoor Manor Minutes for February 25, 2016

The meeting of the City of Strathmoor Manor Commission was held. In attendance were the following: Mayor, Brian Cobb; Commissioners Bob Peterson, Kathy Barber, Susan Stopher and Kathy Zandona; Attorney, John Harrison; and Isabella Christensen, Center for Neighborhoods.

The Minutes for January 2016 were approved. The Forestry Board Minutes from February 4, 2016 were also approved.

Resident Business -No residents were present.

Police Business – No police reports were presented.

General City –

1. Isabella Christensen explained the planning, education and advocacy work of the Center for neighborhoods. They are sponsoring a neighborhood Summit on June 4th.
2. Google Fiber – Google Fiber contacted the Manor about signing a Right of Entry and Installation Agreement. It was noted that the Manor signed a “Jefferson County Uniform Communications Services Franchise Interlocal Cooperation Agreement” at the January meeting where the Manor granted Google Fiber a franchise in the Manor giving a company the right to use a utility easement in the Manor. The Jefferson County League of Cities reports that all the small cities have signed this “Interlocal” agreement. Louisville Metro will bid on behalf of all cities within Jefferson County. When this has been done, the Manor can consider this other agreement.
3. Information about the Manor membership in the Jefferson County League of Cities was reviewed. Cobb will forward information about meetings to the commissioners.
4. Political candidates will not be added to the agenda, but are welcome to attend the Manor’s open meetings and meet the commission members prior to the meeting. The Manor shall not endorse any candidates.

Financial Business -

1. The Balance sheet, check register, 2015/2016 Budget vs. Actual, and Statement of Profit and Loss reports from Pat Colgate were reviewed.
2. Stopher will file the audit report for June 30, 2015 with the Department for Local Government.
3. Cobb will prepare the UFIR for the year ending June 30, 2015.
4. A refund of \$115 to the Tuckers on Emerson was made upon notice of this homestead exemption from the PVA.
5. Franchise Tax revenues from the past are being researched to verify past receipts and obtain payment of these taxes now collected by State Government,
6. It was noted that the Manor Insurance Tax Rate is 7% and Metro Louisville’s is 5%.

City Business/Legal –

1. Ordinance changes – Harrison will update our binders at the March, 2016 meeting. Commissioners should bring binders to the meeting.
2. Upon request from a commissioner, Harrison explained that monies cannot be spent that have not been budgeted. Therefore, if expenses in a line item exceed the budgeted amount, an ordinance amending the budget is required. Cobb will draft this ordinance for the March meeting.
3. Financial Disclosures – Mayor and Commissioners have completed the required forms for the 2016 records.
4. Ordinances -

—A proposed Ordinance Series 2016, Number 1 relating to released or rented properties passed unanimously.

—A proposed Ordinance Series 2016, Number 2 relating to the definition of public nuisances and procedures for abating such nuisances passed unanimously. This is a revision of a current ordinance.

—A proposed Ordinance Series 2016, Number 3 relating to the parking and storage of recreational vehicles, boats and commercial vehicles within the City had its First Reading in October, 2015 and was tabled until the next meeting.

—A construction permit ordinance was tabled.

5. Harrison reported on the removal of a satisfied lien from 2003 on 2104 Lowell Avenue.

Maintenance Report -

1. The snow removal expenditures were discussed.
2. The Forestry Board report was discussed. The removal of the stump at Eleanor and Lowell is scheduled with a tree planting to follow. A plan for the park and circle landscaping is being developed.

Communications -

Newsletter to include:

- Audit results and related required reporting
- New ordinances, if passed
- Budget revisions, if budget revised

The Forestry Board Minutes will be added to the website.

Next meeting is March 24, 2016.