

Graymoor-Devondale

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

August 15, 2023

The regular meeting of the Graymoor-Devondale City Council was held at the Graymoor-Devondale City Office, 1500 Lynn Way.

CITY OFFICERS PRESENT: Mayor John Vaughan, Council Members Michael Allen, Alan Bryant, Angela Coan, David Meiners, Mark Sites and Yvette Winnette. **ALSO PRESENT:** City Attorney John Singler, City Engineer Mark Madison, and City Clerk Nancy Perito. **ABSENT:** Security Director Harry Weddington

GUESTS PRESENT: None.

PUBLIC FORUM: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Yvette Winnette motioned to approve the minutes of the July, 2023 meeting. Michael Allen seconded the motion and the July, 2023 minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Michael Allen motioned to approve the July, 2023 treasurer's report. Alan Bryant seconded the motion and the July, 2023 treasurer's report was approved by unanimous vote.

There was a question of creating a separate category for storm removal in the budget. Mayor Vaughan stated that the City does not have a relationship with any specific tree service. The City couldn't get a response in a reasonable time. The City might want to consider this; however, Waste Management has been picking up the majority of debris put to the curb and may eventually go to a separate container for yard debris. In a major event, the City may need someone to call to help dispose of large limbs.

Michael Allen stated that he thought working with Larry Nalley in the past was the best solution because of the immediate response. Legacy Tree Service did pick up the large limbs. Bob Ray said their response time would be a week or two. Michael did not think it was fiscally necessary to pay someone a retainer. He suggested taking it on a case by case basis. John Singler stated that the Waste Management contract allowed for 4 cubic yards of debris with bundles not to exceed 6 feet and a weight of 35lbs.

OLD BUSINESS:

Waste Management Issues: There was an extensive discussion of the issues with Waste Management as they move to an automated pickup system. Some residents did not receive the required trash containers causing some confusion on pickup day. Many residents had complaints about the lack of pickup and were talking about purchasing services on their own. Attorney John Singler stated that if an individual wanted to opt out of the trash pickup, it would cost them more to purchase service on an individual basis. There would be no property tax rebate. Michael Allen suggested that we put the

contract out for bid to try and obtain a new provider. John Singler stated of the four possible bidders, only two would do all pickups on the same day causing more confusion. Mark Sites suggested a postcard mailing to all residents with the updated information. Mayor Vaughan stated that Waste Management has not come through with the promised information after his meeting. He will follow-up with Waste Management.

a) Development updates: Bull Run: Kristen Hedden sent out a new construction schedule update to the Mayor and Council for August 14, 2023 through September 18, 2023.

Angela Coan stated that the empty lot on Crossmoor Ln. still needs to be regraded and to fill in the settlement. City Engineer Mark Madison stated that there is significant settlement.

VA: Construction on the VA site is moving right along. No significant updates. The mayor's meeting for the month was cancelled.

b) MSD Projects Update: City Engineer Mark Madison sent a list of the MSD projects. There was still a question as to whether a project on Applewood Ln. at Fairmeadows Ln. is included. Milestone Design Group will be making weekly reviews of the current work. The current project is on Glen Arbor Rd.

Mark Sites brought up the need to review the fire hydrants in the city. He stated that the distance between fire hydrants is too far. Mayor Vaughan asked for St. Matthews Fire to do an assessment and plot for the need of additional hydrants. David Meiners will check with St. Matthew's Fire.

c) Techny Ln. Update: Attorney John Singler reported that he had contacted the homeowner and that he was cooperative. He was willing to assist the investigation which allowed the police to ramp up their investigation. Cars at the location were towed and an arrest was made of a female at the location. A warrant is out for the arrest of the individual who fired the shots at the home. John Singler followed up with an email to residents of Techny Ln.

Yvette Winnette emphasized the need for a street light at the end of Techny Ln. David Meiners agreed with the need. Mayor Vaughan asked Mark Madison to contact LG&E for assistance in choosing the proper size and placement of the streetlight.

NEW BUSINESS:

COUNCIL REPORTS:

a) Public Safety: There are no public safety updates. Yvette Winnette asked the Police Chief about the Flock cameras. A bill has been filed to make these cameras illegal.

b) Code Enforcement: The Code Enforcement Board met to hear an appeal to the fines levied against the owner of 1700 Devondale Dr. The property owner explained that the renters at the time had made threats against him for coming onto the property. After hearing the appeal, the Board lowered the fine to \$125.00.

c) Sanitation: No further report.

d) Public Works/Signage: No report.

e) Beautification: Angela Coan stated that she is trying to make contact with Rudy Volz about the upcoming Tree Program.

She also stated that she wanted to move forward with the caps on the stone walls at Crossmoor Ln. and Fairmeadows Ln.

f) Insurance/Finance: No report.

g) Public Information: Yvette Winnette will be making several updates to the website: information on the new trash containers and rules for pickup; the recycling schedule and the House Watch form.

h) City Clerk: There are still a number of businesses and rental properties who have not yet renewed their licenses. There are also still two businesses from last year, The Comfy Cow and Bend and Zen Hot Yoga, who have not obtained their business licenses and paid the fees. Tax bills for 2023-2024 have been received and will be mailed September 15, 2023.

i) Special Projects: No report.

j) Ice and Snow Removal: David Meiners stated that the ice/snow removal contract was ending and he would talk to Jody about the renewal.

k) Legal: Attorney John Singler reported that Metro Louisville has approved the annexation of a small area of Bull Run Townhomes into Graymoor-Devondale.

Michael Allen motioned for the **1st Reading of Ordinance #3, 2023-2024**, an ordinance annexing a certain area of Bull Run Townhomes into Graymoor-Devondale. Alan Bryant seconded the motion and the ordinance was read after unanimous vote.

There being no further business to discuss, the motion for adjournment was made Yvette Winnette and seconded by Michael Allen. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Nancy Perito, City Clerk

Approved _____

John Vaughan, Mayor