

# CITY OF NORBOURNE ESTATES

## February 14, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the City of Norbourne Estates Board of Commissioners was held on February 14, 2017, at the St. Matthews Eline Library. Mayor Paul Brooks called the meeting to order at 6:00PM. The following City officials were in attendance; Commissioners Bert Erny, Lucy Heskins and Kevin Thomas, Treasurer Elena Marquette and Clerk Jerry Brown. Commissioner Daiber was not present. Eleven guests also attended. Attendance Record is on file.

Comm. Erny made a motion to approve and distribute the January 10, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes. Comm. Heskins seconded the motion, it passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report together with the bank statement for January 2017 was presented. Comm. Thomas made a motion to approve the report for audit. Comm. Heskins seconded the motion, it passed unanimously.

Clerk Brown read the following invoices to be paid in January;

Elena Marquette, Treasurer (February)	\$500.00	LG&E (Browns – 12/16-01/18)	\$42.13
Treasurer Expenses (February)	\$59.63	LWC (Combined acct 11/09-01/07)	\$61.92
Jerry Brown, Clerk (February)	\$800.00	James Hodge, Atty. (fees – January)	\$402.50
Clerk Expenses (February)	\$163.51	Wallitsch Nursery, Christmas lighting	\$1,595.00
NSAP (January)	\$980.00	Wallitsch Nursery, Christmas decorations	\$580.57
Waste Management (January)	\$2,465.00	Klausing Group – prune trees	\$152.50
LG&E (lights – 12/15-01/17)	\$696.35	Klausing Group – leaf removal	\$1,620.00
LG&E (Breck – 12/16-01/18)	\$45.39	Korfhage, snow event 01/05	\$490.00

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Security, Finance & Communication

Security Officer Lt. Al Cabrera's report was received. Officer Cabrera also reported on the huge increase in automobile theft and break-in activity that parallels the serious increase in drug related crime in the greater Louisville Metro area. Officer Cabrera related that most theft activity resulted due to lack of precaution by property owners. Often keys (spares and fobs) left in cars, cars left unlocked and valuables left in clear view within the cars. He continued to stress that steps should be taken to secure automobiles and homes due to the county wide increase in drug related crime.

Mayor Brooks recognized residents David & Beth Willey, 4038 Saint Germaine Court to continue discussion and resolution of the traffic sightline safety issue involving the large holly trees adjacent their property in the turn of Sherrin Avenue and Saint Germaine Court. By mutual agreement, the Willey's had the trees drastically trimmed to provide for proper visibility but preserve the trees as part of the City canopy thus alleviating the traffic hazard. The Willey's requested the City's assistance in the ground restoration in the right of way exposed by the removal of the lower limbs of the trees. The Commission agreed to affirm the actions taken to improve the safety issue and assist in the restoration of the ground scape.

## **Ordinance & Resolutions**

Mayor Brooks recognized Brad Abell of Vincent Abell Contracting, Inc., who presented information for a requested building permit for a garage addition, deck roof and screen renovation at the residence of Robert & Barbara Davis at 4001 Saint Germaine Court. After review of the plans and documents presented, Comm. Erny made a motion to approve the request. Comm. Heskins seconded the motion, it passed unanimously.

## **Grounds & Landscape**

Mayor Brooks recognized Tim Kraus and Peter Dennis representing the Norbourne Estates Tree Committee and residents Billy Andrews, Bill Dobbs, Linda Hester, Jenny Marsh and David & Beth Willey to participate in open discussion with the Board of Commissioners regarding the Norbourne Estates Tree Initiative. Specific ongoing efforts to replace trees removed to improve the health of the tree canopy and add trees as suggested by the Tree Committee and the City Arborist were discussed. Mayor Brooks also made notice of the departure of the current City Arborist due to increased commercial contract demands. Efforts are under way to appoint a new arborist. Discussion also made reference to funding available in the form of a grant from MSD.

Comm. Thomas made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45PM. Comm. Erny seconded it.

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