

CITY OF WINDY HILLS

Minutes of Regular Council Meeting  
November 8, 2021

The Council and Officers of the City of Windy Hills met at the Sojourn Community Church, 2501 Rudy Lane, at 7:00 P.M. Mayor Davis called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:** The following were present:

MAYOR

Helen M. Davis

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Bruce Blue by Zoom

Kate Greer

Marcia Myers

Marianne Rademaker

Suzanne Spencer

Laura Trachtenberg

OTHER CITY OFFICIALS

Lisa Kraft

Attorney Clay Barkley

Steve Teaford

MINUTES:

Councilwoman Rademaker moved to approve the minutes as corrected of the October 11, 2021 Council meeting; seconded by Councilwoman Myers. The motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORTS, APPROVAL OF BILLS:

The financial reports for October 2021 were moved for approval by Councilwoman Greer, seconded by Councilwoman Trachtenberg. The motion passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Myers moved to approve the October bills, totaling \$47,582.12, and was seconded by Councilwoman Trachtenberg. The motion passed unanimously.

**RESIDENTS' COMMENTS/CONCERNS:** A resident, Addison Sandefur, asked if anything could be done about the speeding on Foeburn now that Rudy is closed near there. The Mayor will contact Graymoor/Devondale Police.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Police Report: We paid for 96 hours of Police support.

There was radar monitoring on multiple locations on Rudy and Ambridge with no tickets or warnings. There were 5 parking citations, 2 of which have been paid. I will be following up on the unpaid citations next week. There was an unauthorized individual at 618 Rudy Lane rummaging through cars and taking property. A report was filed.

As I reported last month, we have located an auditor and I signed a contract last week.

Another MSD update regarding the Rudy Lane Culvert Replacement – Their goal was to start work on November 1st and we sent an email to our residents stating this. MSD did not notify

me that the project had to be postponed 1 week because the contractor could not get the metal pipe. The project will now start on November 8. The sidewalk will remain open for pedestrians.

Update on the ARPA funds and reporting. I was able to upload the required documentation into the Treasury certification portal. I spent lots of time and energy trying to file our ARPA reports since the first one was originally due by October 31, 2021. Marcia found out that the first report has been postponed until April 2022. I truly appreciated the info because it has made my life much easier.

Bob Callendar, Marianne Rademaker and I met to discuss the 3 businesses in the Brownsboro Center that applied for the ARPA funds. After reviewing the files, it appears that they are ineligible to receive funds but I will follow up with the businesses to ensure that the information is correct.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Finance/Ordinances: Councilwoman Rademaker reported the city has collected taxes from most of the residents. As of October 31<sup>st</sup>, only 63 people haven't paid.

Code Enforcement: Steve Teaford reported he has had a slow month.

Windy Hills Green/City Maintenance/Newsletter/Tree Board - Councilwoman Greer:  
Councilwoman Greer reported, "I emailed Aaron to put down pine mulch on the Regency Circle.

Carolyn Westfall developed a plan for the LG&E Westport project. It has been sent to Rick Grismer and the nursery owner. I emailed Rick Thursday to see how the project was proceeding.

Marsha and I put the pumpkins around Rudy for the fall. When they get too ripe, we will see that they go to wildlife.

I am getting ready to start working on the Tree City USA form that must be submitted annually.

Caroline Westfall said that the tree we usually use for the lights has bounced back due to the fertilization treatments. So we will use it again. The question is do we want white or colored lights? I thought I would have the timer set from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 A.M. What is your opinion?

I got an estimate from SavaTree about decorating the foliage around the signature entrance. The plan is beautiful but extremely expensive. The Mayor and I think we can do it much cheaper but maybe not quite as beautiful".

**GLOW ON THE GREEN:** After cancelling numerous community events, we plan to have Glow on the Green this year. It will be a short, outdoor event. Marcia will be doing this with me. The plan is to have it from 6:00-7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, November 30. I have already contacted the

accordion player, Mike O'Bryan. He has sent me a form to complete and send into our Metro representative to get money to pay for him. We would also give him an additional gratuity. There will be no refreshments because of Covid rules concerning food. We will, however, make "goody bags" for the children to take home with them. There will also be 2 door prizes. We will contact Greymoor-Devondale police department to have an officer assist with crossing Rudy. I will also ask Jim Leher to lend us two fire pits for warmth.

Newsletter - Councilwoman Myers: Councilwoman Myers reported The Windy Hills Breeze was sent to 724 "residents and friends" subscribers on Friday, October 15th. 57% were opened. Several residents responded with appreciation and a submission which I hope we can share in our upcoming issue.

The next issue will be sent out next week. The deadline for submissions is Wednesday, November 10th at noon. Thank you for those who have sent things to me already. Steve Teaford gets the gold star for thinking ahead by submitting his article for the January print newsletter!

Deadline for the December Breeze issue will be Wednesday, December 15th at noon.

Thank you for your support with articles and getting new subscribers to Lisa.

Community Caring/Health & Fitness/Welcome to Windy Hills – Councilwoman Spencer:

Councilwoman Spencer reported the following:

- Welcome to Windy Hills - We had 4 new residents in October.
- Holiday Decorations – 6 Women working on bows and swags.
- Per Mayors request – walkway at the Green

Public Works – Councilman Blue: Councilman Blue reported:

- The Mayor has signed the contract for snow/ice removal for the winter of 2021-2022. This is Greenway Landscape. They also are installing the decorations for all the poles for the holidays. This is the same company doing the lawn care.
- I would request Marcia to place the following in all publications until spring. "When snow plowing, the company cannot remove snow build up at the end of the driveway. It is impossible to accomplish".
- I have looked at the request of Marcia to repair the hole in the sidewalk on Rudy Lane.
- I have asked Martha to write down the locations of the damaged handicapped end of sidewalk markers so I can see about repairs.
- The repair of the damaged pipe underneath the road on Rudy should begin November 1, 2021. This will close part of Rudy Lane, and may be all of Rudy Lane for a period of time. We will make sure of all safety issues during this.
- I will call the sign company on the repair of street marker's at Eastgate and Ambridge. They will be reflective signs and a breakaway pole.
- I have had no complaints concerning waste and recycling.
- I have not had any street repair issues.

Ordinances/Community Standards - Councilwoman Trachtenberg: Councilwoman Trachtenberg no report.

City Clerk – Lisa Kraft: The Clerk reported all property taxes received at this point have been recorded.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** Councilman Blue made a motion, "In keeping with Resolution 1, Fiscal Year 2021-22, I move that we expend \$20,000 of the Windy Hills ARPA funds for the Louisville Orchestra to mitigate the financial hardship from the public health emergency."

A roll call vote was held.

Councilman Blue - Yes

Councilwoman Greer - Yes

Councilwoman Myers - No

Councilwoman Rademaker – Yes

Councilwoman Spencer – No

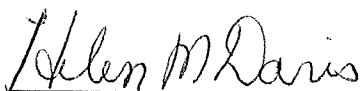
Councilwoman Trachtenberg - Yes

4 Yes and 2 No - Motion Carries

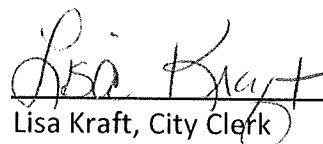
**ATTORNEYS COMMENTS:** Attorney Clay Barkley reported he is still monitoring the transportation on Brownsboro Road, and the MSD project.

**COMMENTS/QUESTIONS TO THE COUNCIL AS A WHOLE:** None

Councilwoman Greer moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m., seconded by Councilwoman Rademaker and the motion passed unanimously.



Helen M Davis, Mayor



Lisa Kraft, City Clerk