

Minutes of a meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Forest Hills

February 17, 2011

The Forest Hills Board of Commissioners (herein also the "Board") held its regular meeting on February 17, 2011 at the City's Offices, 4012 Hillsboro Road, Nashville, Tennessee, beginning at 5:00 p.m. Mayor Coke presided. Also present were Commissioner Douglas, Vice Mayor Lovell, Matt Foster, City Attorney and Al Deck, City Manager. Others present are shown on the attached sign-in sheet. A copy of the Agenda is also attached to these minutes.

1. Approval of the Minutes: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Lovell, which was seconded by Commissioner Tim Douglas, the Board unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2011 meeting.

2. Report from the City Manager, Al Deck.

(a) City Hall Update:

1. Site Work: GEOTEK, the City's geotechnical engineering firm, determined that the soil on the building site failed the "Proof Roll" test and requires additional excavation to reach better soil. Removal of the poor soil will create a better foundation for the both the driveway and the building pad. The additional work will be based on cubic yards of soil removed and cubic yards of gravel fill added. The estimated cost is approximately \$60,000 to reach the final proposed grade for both the driveway and building pad.

2. Audio/Visual & Security: The City Manager, along with Allard Ward, interviewed four companies concerning the city's requirements for security and audio visual equipment. Specifications will be ready by March 1st and notice of bid will appear in next week's paper. Bids will be due March 10th. Recommendations for vendors will be presented to the Board during the March 17th meeting.

3. Furniture, Finishes, & Decorator: The City Manager inquired about the Board wishes on the decision making process for these items. In talking with the Audio/Visual vendors, we will soon need to make decisions about tables for the conference room and Board room, in order to properly prepare for cables, and cut out areas for mountings. The Members will contact the City Hall Task Force.

(b) Fence Height: The Mayor addressed the need to better control fence height and location. At the same time the Members would like to alleviate some of the workload of the Board of Zoning Appeals. The Members requested a copy of Belle Meade's fence ordinance and will also contact the Board of Zoning Appeals Members for their input.

(c) Hillsboro Pike & T.D.O.T.: The Members, along with the City Engineer, will prepare their request to the Tennessee Department of Transportation suggesting a constant speed limit for Hillsboro, except for the entrances into Forest Hills at Harding Place and Old Hickory Blvd. Secondly the Members will suggest removal of some signage along the highway, and the use of the City of Forest Hills's own custom sign post.

(d) Guardrails: The Members agreed to replace three existing sections of guardrail and create on new section, using the brown, power coated guardrail. The locations are as follows: The bridge on Tyne Blvd., just west of Hillsboro Pike; Chickering Road @ Old Hickory Blvd. (both sides of the street); Kingsbury @ Otter Creek; and a new section on Tyne Blvd., just west of Robert E. Lee.

(e) Financial Statements: Upon motion by Vice Mayor Lovell, which was seconded by Commissioner Douglas, the Members unanimously voted to approve the financial statements for January 2011.

3. Report from the City Attorney, Matt Foster:

(a) City Court: The City Attorney discussed the newly created court and suggested the next step would be appointment of a judge. The process will take a few months to obtain software, and training for the personnel. Mr. Foster also stated that he will file notice of the Ordinance with Metro.

(b) Open Legal Matters:

1. The City Attorney informed the members that Mr. Batsuk has

indeed complied with the City's directive to remove all building material from the vacant lot and restore the property to a natural state.

2. Mr. Forster presented a revised Landscape Maintenance Contract. Joe Hodgson provided suggestions and the final version will be ready for the Board's approval March 3rd.

4. Public Comment: A question was raised about the condition of Tyne Blvd. @ the intersection of Hillsboro Pike, across from the Church of Christ. Motorist, in an effort to make a right turn onto Hillsboro, are leaving the pavement and driving along the shoulder of the street, adjacent to Mrs. Brown's property. The second problem is the lack of drainage, which causes the water to pond in the area noted and further weakens the roadbed. The City Manager promised to take action to correct the drainage and restore the roadbed.

There being no further matters to be discussed and no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.