

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE CITY OF FOREST HILLS**

MARCH 19, 2009

The Forest Hills Board of Commissioners (herein also the "Board") held its regular meeting on March 19, 2009 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, Al Deck, City Manager, and City Attorney, Matt Foster. Others present are shown on the attached sign-in sheet. A copy of the Agenda is also attached to these minutes.

1. Comments from Forest Hills residents. Mr. Em Ghianni addressed the lack of street lights on Andover and Kingsbury. He suggested additional street lights would enhance public safety. Mr. Bob Scruggs (contractor with an active permit in Cambridge Downs) requested the Members remove the 18 month expiration period for building permits, or pro rate the renewal fee based on the percentage of completion.

2. Approval of the Minutes for March 5, 2009. Upon motion by Commissioner Tim Douglas, which was seconded by Vice Mayor Lovell, the Board unanimously approved the minutes for the March 5, 2009 regular meeting.

3. Report from the City Manager, Al Deck.

(a) Strom Warning System: The City reached agreement with NES and the 2nd storm warning siren will be installed on the NES sub-station site, at Old Hickory Boulevard and Hillsboro Pike.

(b) 2108 Timberwood Place: as of this date, the property owner has failed to demolish the house at 2108 Timberwood and the permit will expire Monday, March 23, 2009. Mr. Deck requested authorization to proceed with demolition by the City and award the contract to the low bidder, Phillip Denning, dba All Seasons Landscaping, License #47411 and place a lien on the property to recover the City's cost of demolition and future maintenance costs. Upon motion by Commissioner Tim Douglas, which was seconded by Vice Mayor Lovell, the Board unanimously voted to approve demolition by the City and authorized the City Attorney to place lien on the property and recover the demolition and any future maintenance costs.

(c) TML Risk Management Pool: The Manager discussed the option of insuring the newly built Gateway Entrance at Old Hickory Boulevard & Hillsboro Pike. The rate of 1.1% is rather expensive and after consulting with Mr. Clay Jackson, the Members rejected coverage on any Gateways or Secondary Monuments.

(d) Police Protection: The Manager requested the Public Safety Committee convene and consider options for increased patrols within the City.

4. Report from the City Attorney, Matt Foster.

(a) WKRN: Mr. Foster addressed the previously agreement that WKRN would dismantle and remove one of the towers, when digital broadcasting was available.

It appears WKRN has reached that point and the Attorney is not completely satisfied with the reply from WKRN. He will continue to discuss this matter with the company.

(b) Zoning Ordinance: Mr. Foster explained that Ordinance No. 09-186 amends the Zoning Ordinance by clarifying the definitions of rear and side yards and the proper location of accessory buildings. The amendment also corrects the ambiguity of Section 402(C), regarding the maximum building coverage for accessory buildings. The ordinance was approved on first reading February 19, 2009. A Public Hearing will be held April 16, 2009, at the Planning Commission meeting and the Ordinance will come back to the Board of Commissioners for final reading May 6, 2009.

(c) Resolution 2009-02: A Resolution to authorize a \$10,000 donation to the Land Trust of Tennessee, for services rendered in the working with the Green Community Study Group. The Land Trust is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. The first payment, in the amount of \$3,000, will be paid in April. The balance of \$7,000 will be paid on completion of the project.

(d) Storm Water Legislation: Mr. Toby Compton of the Mayor's Office and Mr. Scott Potter of Metro Water addressed the Members. The topic was the recent legislation passed by Metro Council implementing a storm water fee. The legislation does not include the satellite cities and in order to participate, each Board must enter into an agreement with the Nashville Davidson County Metropolitan Government. Metro would then assume responsibility for managing stormwater program and maintaining the stormwater system (bridges, ditches and culverts) within the City. Forest Hills would surrender its stormwater permit and be covered under Metro's permit. The Members took the matter under advisement.

5. New Business

(a) Plantings along Hillsboro Pike: Mayor Coke requested Mr. Clay Jackson provide an update on the Nashville Cherry Blossom Festival Committee. He reported that Mr. Hiroshi Sato, Consul-General of Japan, will furnish 100 Cherry trees each year for the next decade. Each year 20% of the cherry trees will be planted within Forest Hills. This project coordinates perfectly with the City's plan to plant trees along Hillsboro Pike, south of Harding Place. Mr. Jackson estimated the City will need to purchase 142 additional trees, about 2 caliper inches and approximately 7 feet tall. The goal is to prepare for a fall planting. The Members authorized gathering the needed information and prepare for implementation in the fall.

There being no further matters to be discussed and no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned, upon motion by Vice Mayor Lovell, which was seconded by Commissioner Tim Douglas.

Recorder

Mayor