

City of West Buechel
Council Meeting
City Council Chambers
3705 Bashford Avenue
Louisville, KY 40218
August 12, 2021 6:30 PM

Present: Mayor Brenda Moore, Attorney Mark Hall, Councilwoman Linda Cook, Councilwoman Danielle Wood, Councilwoman Ashley Stewart, Councilwoman Evelyn Saldana, Councilwoman Kim Richards, Councilman Toby Clark, City Clerk Debbie Batliner and Deputy Clerk Sherri Osbourne.

Mayor Moore called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

A motion was made by Councilman Clark and second by Councilwoman Wood to approve the minutes of July 8, 2021. Motion carried with unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Richards and second by Councilwoman Wood to table Ordinance 292-2021 Insurance for Council members. Motion carried with unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Wood and second by Councilwoman Stewart to table Ordinance 295-2021 Amending Sections of the Code Enforcement Ordinance 281-2019. Motion carried with unanimous vote.

Clerk Batliner introduced Brian Cobb, City Auditor. Mr. Cobb reviewed the June 30, 2020 audit with the Council.

Councilman Clark left the meeting at 7:16 PM.

Clerk/Treasurer Batliner presented the Financial Reports to the Council. Councilwoman Richards questioned the education expense under administration. Clerk Batliner informed her that it was for the conferences that the council and administration are going to and for the webinar trainings that Clerk Batliner and Deputy Clerk Osbourne took online. A motion was made by Councilwoman Wood and second by Councilwoman Saldana to approve the financials as presented. Motion carried with a unanimous vote. Councilman Clark was absent for the vote.

Clerk Batliner updated the Council on the Road Aid Funds. With audits completed, the Department of Local Government reinstated the Road Aid and gave us the funds from 2016 to present (\$127,328.52).

Clerk Batliner also informed the Council that the American Recovery funds was going to be more than we had originally thought. Instead of \$246,000.00 we will be receiving \$329,000.00 as long as we meet

the criteria and submit the reports as requested. Clerk Batliner stated that the residents would see more drainage work.

Mayor Moore stated that the US Department of Treasury had specific guidelines to spend the funds.

Mayor Moore introduced a Health and Workplace Place Executive Order that is guided by state law. Since there was an increase in the Delta Variants, we are passing an executive order for outlining a policy to stay healthy at work following CDC guidelines.

Mr. Piffier at 3715 Selma Avenue requested upgrades to the street, sidewalk and driveway on Selma Avenue. Mr. Piffier wants the city to talk about the drainage issue with MSD. He also wants to get rid of the ditches because he cannot mow his yard. He also spoke very highly of the Police Department and thanked them for their service. Mr. Piffier is upset about the reviews on the web. We informed him that it is not on our official page and there was nothing we could do about the reviews from other persons pages.

Mr. Jerry Embry requested a speed limit sign on Shepherdsville Road in front of City Hall. He also wanted to know from the Assistant Chief if we write traffic offenses such as speeding. Assistant Chief Hibbs informed Mr. Embry that this police department does write traffic citations as warranted. Mr. Embry also stated that there were too many cats in this neighborhood. Mrs. Liz Bierbaum informed Mr. Embry there was a foundation that will fix cats if the cats are brought to them and then the cats are returned to the same neighborhood.

Economic Development Committee Report: Councilman Clark left the meeting. Secretary Kim Richards stated that the committee did not accomplish anything at their meeting. They received 14 suggestions from residents. Councilwoman Richards stated that there would not be a meeting in September due to the holiday.

Budget Committee Report: City Clerk Batliner informed the council that the budget committee will not meet until December or January.

Community Center Committee Report: Councilwoman Stewart stated that the July minutes were approved and the committee discussed hours for the community center being 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Senior programs would be from 10-12, 12-2:30 adult enrichment, 2:30 – 6:00 is for tutoring sessions. It was stated that the Committee did not have a quorum present. Councilwoman Saldana stated that the members needed to be present and stated that Ms. Marler had gotten a new job and needed to be replaced. Councilwoman Stewart stated that information needed to be placed on the City Website and inform residents that the Community Center is no longer rented to the public. A recommendation was made to proceed with the Reach Alert system.

Councilwoman Saldana was upset about the Community Center Committee Meeting stating that they should have gotten their packet before the meeting to give members time to go over and get ideas from the residents.

Councilwoman Richards wants to know who is going to front the bill for the cost of Reach Alert. Councilwoman Stewart stated that it would be \$1.00 per household for a year and would only amount to about \$306 per year and the funds could come from the Community Center budget.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cook and second by Councilwoman Wood to take a 5 minute break at 8:25. Motion carried with unanimous vote. Councilman Clark was absent.

Mayor Moore resumed the meeting at 8:37.

A motion was made to go into Executive Session citing KRS 61.810 (c) regarding litigation by Councilwoman Stewart and second by Councilwoman Cook. Motion carried with unanimous vote. Councilman Clark was absent.

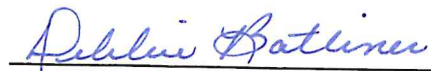
A motion was made by Councilwoman Stewart and second by Councilwoman Wood to return to regular session at 10:10. Motion carried with unanimous vote. Councilman Clark and Councilwoman Richards were absent.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Stewart and second by Councilwoman Wood to adjourn the meeting at 10:10. Motion carried with unanimous vote. Councilman Clark and Councilwoman Richards were absent.



Mayor Brenda Moore

ATTEST:



City Clerk, Debbie Batliner