

**City of Crescent Springs
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
August 13, 2018 - 7:00 pm**

The regular meeting of the Crescent Springs City Council was called to order by Mayor Lou Hartfiel at 7:00pm. The meeting began with a prayer led by Mayor Hartfiel followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Roll call showed the following council members present – Mike Daugherty, Christie Arlinghaus, Bob Mueller, Tom Vergamini and Carter Dickerson. Matt Zeck was not present at the meeting. Also present were City Administrator George Ripberger, City Clerk April Robinson, City Attorney Mike Baker, and Dewey Krohman of Public Works.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Christie Arlinghaus made a motion to approve the minutes of the **July 9, 2018 Regular Council Meeting**. Carter Dickerson seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote Taken.

Mr. Dickerson	Yes	Mr. Zeck	Absent
Mr. Mueller	Yes	Ms. Arlinghaus	Yes
Mr. Vergamini	Yes	Mr. Daugherty	Present, not voting

The motion passed 4-0.

Joyce Nessler, Crescent Springs McDonald's

Clerk's Note: Joyce Nessler was scheduled to present Mayor and Council with a \$1000 check towards the Foundation of Freedom monument. This money was raised from July 3-9th when transactions were made in the Crescent Springs McDonalds using the new self-service kiosks. \$1 per transaction was collected towards the cause. Ms. Nessler was unable to attend but will be mailing the check to the City.

FIRE AUTHORITY REPORT

Mike Daugherty thanked Crescent Springs and Villa Hills for prompt quarterly payments and reported the new squad was in service and would be available for viewing at the August 27th caucus meeting. He stated the cot system in the squad was very good and would save people's backs.

FINANCE REPORT

No report.

POLICE REPORT

Sgt. Hall distributed the July police report. The Villa Hills Police Department has just completed their first month of service for Crescent Springs. Sgt. Hall stated the department has been well received and everything was going well for them. Two officers are in the academy until October and one is in field training.

Between the two cities there were 200 traffic stops, 139 of which were in the Crescent Springs. 19 arrests were made. These arrests were for warrants, DUI's, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Trafficking, etc. Sgt. Hall went on to explain the detail and maps in the report and pointed out that crimes, accidents and courtesy notices were all plotted on the maps.

This past Wednesday was the Villa Hills Safety night. Air Care was brought in, the Fire Department was there and the police had K-9 demonstrations. There were 300-350 people in attendance. The department also provided security for St. Joseph's festival over the weekend. There were no issues with the exception of juveniles being juveniles. The department is currently making plans for next month's upcoming events. This would include the 9/11 Memorial Ceremony, Tunnels to Towers 5K race on the 22nd and Music Fest on the 29th. The police report also includes a list of all officers and their training for the month.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Dewey Krohman reported the following:

- The department is going through the city cutting grass and cleaning drains
- The banners have all been changed out on Buttermilk Pike
- Riegler Blacktop has conducted street repairs on High Crossing's cul-de-sac, Crossings, Ferncliff and Watkins. Hazelwood, High Street and Terry will be overlaid on Sunday nights when there is less traffic.
- Work is still being done on the park restroom and the Charters of Freedom project.
- The last two furnaces have been replaced in the Public Works garage
- The concrete work has been completed at the Fire Department

Councilman Dickerson asked if the department has been able to keep an eye on the area of the park where the honeysuckle had been removed. Mr. Krohman stated they had been spraying the area but the plants keep trying to come back. Public Works will continue spraying the area.

EVENTS AND RECREATION

Music fest will be held September 29 from 5 to 1030.

Sponsor letters were sent to all Crescent Springs in Villa Hills businesses. We have received about \$1300 less than last year at this time I do anticipate a couple more business is coming through for us. Two of the seven sponsors that we currently have helped us out last year. So I'm hoping that some of the businesses from Last year will still come through.

Food trucks have been added In order to provide enough food for the anticipated crowd. We currently have three committed but still have room for a couple more.

Fireworks will be sponsored by Crane Training and Certification of the Midwest again this year.

Music will be played by the Everyday People Band and Naked Karate Girls.

We will not be bringing in any kids games like we did last year. We will, however, have bounce houses available for the kids through Maxwell jumps.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. Ripberger discussed various building projects in the city.

Mr. Wessels has an 84 house subdivision going in on the old Eubanks farm. Only one complaint has been received regarding the construction beginning earlier than 7:30am.

Mr. Ripberger checked with other cities and have found that the construction usually begins around that time. Once the streets are completed the rumble of the heavy equipment will be replaced by the tapping of hammers and such.

The Anchor Development which includes Panera Bread is moving forward. The tenants are moving out. Permits have been applied for it is believed the demolition permit has been granted.

The Mid-Atlantic Development (Weber Property) – at this time the only business mentioned for the site is a Wendy’s Restaurant.

The City has applied for a text amendment which will allow any properties under two acres to be developed after the completion of the Anchor and Mid-Atlantic developments. David Schank has informed the city that another building will be constructed in Buttermilk Commons near the Sherwin Williams store. The building will be similar to that of Sherwin Williams without the blue awning. This building will have two to three tenants, one which will be an AT&T retail store.

There is talk at this time for a conditional use permit for lot 4 of Buttermilk Commons. This would be for a car wash. Mr. Schank is discussing terms with the potential tenants of the car wash.

The property at Terry and Ritchie, which will be abandoned if passed by council, will have a car wash constructed. The owners have applied for a variance and setback. A Board of Adjustments hearing will be scheduled for this.

The property next to Menninger Auto Body on Ritchie Street has sold. A builder will construct a model home on this parcel and run their offices from this location.

The Winterberg property off Anderson is now vacated. Three Springs Developers will be building condominiums on this property. Construction will begin soon.

Mr. Ripberger stated there are other things going on in the city but they will not be discussed because of pure speculation. Mr. Ripberger stated he will inform council if anything is confirmed. There are a lot of things happening in Crescent Springs.

Construction is booming and a lot of property is being looked at.

Mr. Dickerson asked if anyone will be moving into the old Outback location. Mr. Ripberger stated Outback left before their lease was up and the building will probably be occupied again as soon as Outback’s lease expires.

Mr. Dickerson asked for clarification on the Buttermilk Commons Construction. The location of lot 4 was requested. Lot 4 is on Queen City behind AutoZone. A drive through car wash, the same concept as the one planned for Ritchie Street, is expected to be constructed on lot 4. The two car washes do not have the same owner.

Mr. Dickerson asked if the prospective car wash owners knew the history of the old car wash on Buttermilk Pike. Mr. Ripberger mentioned both owners were aware and both of the locations for the proposed washes are easier to get to than the wash that had closed up.

MAYOR’S REPORT

John Eubanks had a blight problem but has since sold his property off Crescent Ridge to the developer of the 84 house subdivision going in on the old Eubanks farm. This property will be added to the new development.

Theresa Eubank had contacted the Mayor and offered to sell her 50 acres of property on Eubanks Road to the City. The Mayor stated it would probably be a costly 50 acres and Mrs. Eubank wanted to keep the property green. When Mrs. Eubank was asked the price she stated she would have to contact her attorney.

There was talk about removing the bridge from the Dolwick Connector plan but the committee members all agreed to keep it in the comprehensive plan.

Mayor Hartfiel mentioned that April Robinson had completed her three years of Clerk training and was now a Certified Kentucky Municipal Clerk.

Carter Dickerson asked how the Dolwick Connector impacted the City of Crescent Springs. Mr. Ripberger stated that it did not really impact the city because you cannot make them make the connection. The problem you have with the Dolwick bridge is that if you could apply for state funds it would have to connect two state routes and we do not have that. Dolwick Road is a state route but there are no other state routes close to connect to it. The estimated proposal for the bridge is about 12 million dollars.

The proposal for a bridge at Eubanks Road was 14 million dollars. Mr. Ripberger meet with Sean Blake with SD1 and asked for assistance with Eubanks Road. The only way to get to Eubanks Road would be through Meadow Wood and Villa Hills. Over 80 homes are being built off Eubanks and if the remaining 50 acres sell more development could take place. There is way too much traffic going through the area as it is. Mr. Ripberger asked Mr. Blake if he could assist with Eubanks Road and connecting new development. There is currently over 1700 acres of land that brings water down to Eubanks Road. SD1 suggested the city create a committee made up of the city, county, SD1 and the core of engineers and try to make application for a grant to buy up the houses on Eubanks and make the area a wetland. The city could then try to bring a new road in through Woodhill or Enid Avenue. A committee should probably involve the developer as well.

The catch basin on Overlook overflows and runs down into the City building parking lot. During the winter the lot ends up covered in ice. SD1 offered to pay 50% of the cost to have the catch basin placed underground tying into existing storm drains. The city engineer has been asked to provide a cost estimate for this project.

OLD BUSINESS

Attorney Mike Baker stated the development agreement between the City and Anchor Development has been signed and they are moving forward.

Ms. Arlinghaus inquired if the city has received any money from the City of Erlanger. The attorney responded that no money has been received and the issue was still in discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

The following orders were read by Attorney Mike Baker:

1st reading Ordinance 2018-10 VACATING THE 5,000 SQUARE FEET PARCEL ON RITCHIE AVENUE, MORE OR LESS

1st reading Ordinance 2018-11 PROVIDING FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL TANGIBLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CRESCENT SPRINGS, KENTUCKY, AND LEVYING AN AD VALOREM TAX ON EACH ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) OF ASSESSED VALUATION OF SAID PROPERTY IN THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 AND SPECIFYING THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE TAX IS LEVIED

Reading of Municipal Order 2018-8 AMENDING MUNICIPAL ORDER 2018-1 TO FURTHER AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO RECEIVE TITLE TO REAL ESTATE FROM ROBERT AND MICHELLE MARSHALL, WITH AN ADDITIONAL RESTRICTION THAT THE CITY WILL NOT CONVEY OR USE THE PROPERTY FOR A 20-YEAR PERIOD OTHER THAN AS A PARK OR AS A CONSERVATION AREA

Mr. Baker stated that in discussion with the Marshall’s attorney, Paul Markraf, that if the City were to name the property the Marshall’s would like to be consulted. This is not a requirement.

Bob Mueller made a motion to approve **Municipal Order 2018-8**. Carter Dickerson seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

COMMENTS

Mayor Hartfiel asked a lady in the audience if she needed to speak. She stated she came to the meeting just to see what was going on. She recently moved to Edenderry in Crescent Springs from Villa Hills. She did stress concern exiting Edenderry onto Anderson Road. Mr. Ripberger informed her that the state highway department has taken over the road and is currently in the process of redesigning the road. He offered her contact information for the state foe any further questions.

Councilwoman Arlinghaus mentioned an overdose incident she was witness to and suggested a booth at Music Fest in which to distribute information regarding the opioid crisis. An agency will be sought out to volunteer an information booth at Music Fest.

ADJOURNMENT

Christie Arlinghaus made a motion to adjourn. Carter Dickerson seconded the motion. All were in favor. **Motion passed.** The meeting was adjourned at 7:42pm.

ATTESTED BY:

April C. Robinson, Clerk/Treasurer

Lou Hartfiel, Mayor

Approved: _____