

CITY OF GOSHEN COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
January 23, 2023

The regular meeting of the City of Goshen Commission was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Bobby Thacker at North Oldham Fire Station, 1660 Hwy 1793, Goshen, KY with the following members present:

Bobby Thacker	Mayor	1014 Rollingwood Lane
Doug Morales	Commissioner	1014 Club Drive
Jeff Mangan	Commissioner	1101 Meadowridge Trail
Traci Hargrove	Commissioner	1100 Crestview Way
Bill Rolfes	Commissioner	1042 Rolling wood Lane
Joyce Morphew	City Clerk/ Treasurer	1102 Meadowridge Trail

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome – Bobby Thacker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Thacker welcomed new Commissioner, Traci Hargrove.

Minutes of December 12, 2022, Doug Morales made a motion to approve the minutes as presented Jeff Mangan seconded the motion. All voted aye to approve the December 12, 2022 minutes.

Minutes of January 2, 2023, Bill Rolfes motioned to approve the special meeting minutes of January 2, 2023, as presented. Jeff Mangan seconded the motion. All voted aye to approve the minutes of January 2, 2023.

Budget Committee- Jeff Mangan

Mangan stated he reviewed the December financial reports and motioned to approve. Rolfes seconded the motion. All voted aye to approve the December financial reports.

Ordinance Enforcement – Jeff Mangan

Thacker reported he had forwarded an email to Mangan, from a resident concerning short term rentals in the city. Thacker stated the city has communicated to Oldham County P&Z that no permits for short term rentals should be issued in the city.

Street and Public Works – Bill Rolfes

Rolfes reported a few mailboxes were replaced.

Sanitation – Bill Rolfes

No report

Snow Removal – Bill Rolfes

No report

Newsletter – Traci Hargrove

Hargrove reported Rolfes sent a newsletter in January.

Website – Traci Hargrove

Hargrove stated she has not made any changes to the website yet.

Drainage/ Stormwater –Doug Morales

Morales stated he contacted Steve Emly, OHM Advisors, regarding updated drawings for the Harmony Landing Rd drainage project. Drawings should be complete and E-Z Construction back on site on January 30th.

Morales motioned to turn stormwater management back over to Oldham County. Rolfes seconded the motion. Morales stated OHM asked for an increase in fees from \$7500 to \$10,000 per year. Thacker stated originally it was going to be \$3500 but increased to \$7500 to cover work on the Harmony Landing Rd drainage project. Thacker asked commission to vote no on the motion until it can be determined if the county will allow the city back into it's program.

Thacker, Hargrove, Mangan and Rolfes voted no. Morales abstained.

Morales stated he received an email from resident Tom Johnson, 1023 Harmony Landing Rd, regarding issues on his property related to the drainage project. Morales stated he contacted E-Z in December to ask them to remove materials from the yard. He stated he did not receive any reply. Morales stated work is set to restart next week and materials should be removed.

Morales stated he asked E-Z to remove port-a-potty and received no response. Mr. Johnson called the port-a-potty company and had it removed.

Morales stated Mr. Johnson wants assured clean topsoil, minimum of 6", will be placed and seeded to grow grass. Morales stated Mr. Johnson informed him the current grass mat was put over rough spots. Morales motioned to regrade front yards with 6" of topsoil. Motion did not receive a second.

Morales stated Mr. Johnson wants the city to provide professional engineered document showing rip rap in his side yard is necessary. Morales motioned to ask OHM for professional opinion if rip rap is necessary in Mr. Johnson's side yard. Mangan seconded the motion. Mangan questioned if the determination had been made before the project began. Morales stated the last engineering study was 10 years old. Thacker stated everyone was provided the information on what the project would entail before work started. Morales voted aye on the motion to ask OHM for professional opinion on necessity of rip rap. Thacker, Rolfes, Hargrove and Mangan voted no.

Morales stated Mr. Johnson feels E-Z Construction went outside of right of way, encroaching on his yard by 10 to 15ft. Morales stated he researched compensation for temporary easements and they are generally based on land value and square footage. Morales motioned to have the city attorney contact E-Z Construction regarding compensation to Mr. Johnson. Thacker seconded the motion. Thacker requested pictures of where they crossed over the right of way. Thacker stated he is concerned that the survey stakes had been removed. Morales voted yes on the motion. Thacker, Rolfes, Mangan and Hargrove voted no.

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Architectural Control – Doug Morales

Morales stated he has received a request from Troy Haggard, 12108 Hillside Drive, to place a new privacy fence on his property and exceed the rear corner of house by about 10ft to shield the AC unit from view. Morales motioned to approve a variance allowing a 6 ft. privacy to exceed rear corner of home. Rolfes seconded the motion. Thacker stated he was not for it until more information is provided. All voted no on the motion.

Morales stated he received a request for approval of a 2-story 16x16 shed He advised the homeowner to get a county permit first.

Public Protection/ Health & Safety – Bobby Thacker

Thacker reported there are still a lot of car break-ins in the county. He stated we will put something in the newsletter reminding everyone to lock their cars and remove valuables.

Parks – Bobby Thacker

Thacker reported court construction is still underway. He stated he has made signs with the park rules. The courts will be closed until the surface is painted.

Thacker reported he is having trouble getting in touch with the company to finish the fiber connections.

Thacker asked Morales for an update on construction of the remaining five benches by the scouts and asked for receipts.

Beautification – Bobby Thacker

Thacker stated he would like to replace another set of street banners but will wait until next fiscal year.

Special Events – Bobby Thacker

Thacker reported Santa in the horse and carriage was a huge success and has had numerous requests for it to be an annual event.

Thacker thanked Joyce Morphew and Jeff Mangan for delivering the donated toys to one of the FEMA camps in Eastern Kentucky.

Administrative Issues

Thacker stated an ethics complaint was filed by Tom Johnson. The ethics committee meet and found the complaint without merit.

The budget planning meeting will be in April. Tentatively April 18th or 25th.

New Business

None

Old Business –

Thacker stated he has been approached about allowing chickens in the city. Thacker wants to survey the community before proceeding any further.

Thacker reported the city needs to enforce drainage easements. Some residents blow all their leaves into the easement and block the drainage.

Public Comment –

Tom Johnson - 1023 Harmony Landing Road

Melanie Smith – 1108 Harmony Lane

Adjourn – Mangan motioned to adjourn, Hargrove seconded. Thacker, Rolfes, Mangan and Hargrove voted aye. Morales voted no.

Attest:

Joyce Morphey
City Clerk/ Treasurer
2/27/2023

Bobby Thacker
Mayor