

CITY OF GOSHEN CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

January 16, 2017

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

Bobby Thacker	Mayor	1014 Rollingwood Lane
Robert Hammon	Commissioner	1007 Rollingwood Lane
Doug Morales	Commissioner	1014 Club Drive
Bill Rolfes	Commissioner	1042 Rollingwood Lane
Al Nesteruk	Commissioner	1125 Hollendale Way

Mayor Bobby Thacker welcomed all attendees to the meeting. Thacker stated meeting minutes and monthly financial reports were not ready yet.

Public Safety – Bobby Thacker

Thacker reported there was an accident in which a child was injured while sledding.

Street and Public Works – Bob Hammon

No report.

Sanitation –Bob Hammon

Hammon stated nothing major going on just the usual trash can replacements as needed.

Snow Removal – Bob Hammon

Hammon reported streets were salted on January 5th.

New Business

Mayor Pro Tem – Thacker motioned to appoint Hammon as Mayor Pro Tem, Rolfes seconded the motion. Nesteruk stated he doesn't feel Hammon is the right person for the job due to his health issues. Rolfes, Thacker and Hammon voted aye. Morales abstained and Nesteruk voted nay. Motion carries Commissioner Hammon was appointed Mayor Pro Tem.

Departments – Thacker motioned to pick departments by seniority, allowing the most senior member to pick one department then moving down the line. Hammon seconded the motion. Thacker, Rolfes and Hammon voted aye, Morales abstained and Nesteruk voted nay. Motion carries. Newly elected Commissioners agreed Nesteruk would pick first amongst them then Morales and Rolfes choosing last. The Commissioners chose the following departments:

Public Protection – Thacker	Snow removal & Sanitation – Thacker
Drainage – Hammon	Finance & Budget – Hammon
Website – Nesteruk	Newsletter - Nesteruk

Architectural Control – Morales Street & Public Works – Morales
Parks & Beautification – Rolfes Code Enforcement - Rolfes

Thacker read Municipal Order 1, 2017. A Municipal Order designating departments for each Commissioner to oversee.

Morales stated he wants to amend the city's ordinance on meeting dates to reflect the January and February meetings move to the fourth Monday of the month due to legal holidays on the third Monday of the month. Thacker stated the ordinance used to include the change of meeting dates for holidays but when the ordinances were codified it was left out. Thacker said he will have the attorney draw up an amendment to the current ordinance to move the January and February meetings to the fourth Monday.

Morales reported he would like to repeal the ordinance requiring cats to be on leash if they are off owner's property. Commission discussed and agreed to have ordinance drawn up to repeal the section pertaining to cats.

Morales stated the City Code of Ordinances is overdue to be recodified. Rolfes will review the current code for any needed changes and report back to the Commission.

Morales asked if the city currently has a franchise agreement with any of the utilities. Thacker stated no. Morales stated the Kentucky League of Cities is going to send him more information and he will report back to the Commission.

Morales stated the City never sent a bat to former Commissioner John Blumenschien recognizing him for his service to the city. Thacker stated he thought the city already did but will have the clerk order one if it hasn't been done.

Rolfes questioned if the park is annexed into the city. Thacker stated the attorney previously told the city it did not need to be. The clerk was instructed to ask the attorney again and get something in writing.

Nesteruk stated he believes there is a great need for the city to have a travel ordinance and it should include a section that states seatbelts must be worn, no cell phone usage and must use shortest route.

Nesteruk stated he would like to contest Jeff Mangan's appointment to the Code Enforcement Board and Todd Hall's appointment to the Ethics Committee. Nesteruk stated per KRS83A.040 (7) resignations are not recognized until the next meeting. Nesteruk stated that their resignations would not be effective until today. Nesteruk said if the appointments were voided this would give the new Commission a chance to interview other people for the positions. Hammon stated the new Commission's positions started January 1st. Nesteruk stated the way he sees it Hall and Mangan were still Commissioner's until today. (1-23-17) Thacker stated there is also a KRS statue that states any elected official who accepts another position in the government vacates the first position. Nesteruk stated he wants a copy of the statue and Thacker responded he would email a copy to Nesteruk. Nesteruk motioned to make the positions on the Code Board and Ethics Committee vacant. Morales seconded the motion. Thacker opened the floor to discussion. Thacker cautioned the Commission this could lead to legal action by the people that were appointed as there is a KSR statue backing up the appointments. Thacker, Hammon and Rolfes voted nay. Nesteruk and Morales voted aye. Motion defeated.

Public Comment

Paul Warren, Ken O'Barr and Mike Roppel gave public comment.

Hammon motioned to adjourn and Morales seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carries.
Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

Joyce Morphew
Clerk/ Treasurer
2/20/2017

Bobby Thacker
Mayor