THE PARK HILLS CITY COUNCIL HELD A CAUCUS MEETING ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2024, AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE PARK HILLS CITY BUILDING, 1106 AMSTERDAM ROAD, WITH MAYOR KATHY ZEMBRODT PRESIDING. COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: SARAH FROELICH, PAM SPOOR, JOE SHIELDS, AND STEVE ELKINS.

Call to Order

## Pledge of Allegiance

## Roll Call

I. Discussion regarding the possible North Arlington sidewalk installation. Drawings were given to council, and shown on the tv, of some of the proposed sidewalk ideas. They are also attached to the back of these minutes.

- 1. Hamilton showing the existing sidewalk that was installed previously.
- 2. Arlington on the south side with a sidewalk all the way up.
- 3. Arlington sidewalk with a cross over
- 4. Arlington with a sidewalk on the south side to the steep drive and then continuing in a sectioned off part of the street.
- 5. Arlington with a sidewalk on the north side of the street.

The Mayor contacted the residents who would be affected by the sidewalk.

Mr. Shields added that they could also decide to do nothing. There is also the option of striping the street instead of adding a sidewalk. He also added that the committee had no consensus.

Mr. Wessels approached the podium to address council.

He believes a sidewalk would add safety to the street. He believes that the residents of the street would like the sidewalk on the side that is not in front of their own homes. He is confident that council will make the right decision, although he is concerned about the steep grade in front of his driveway. He wants council to look at safety and cost. Reverend Chuck Chapman addressed council about his displeasure of the existing sidewalk that was put in. He believes it encroaches on his property. He stated that he was told by Mr. Elkins that a sidewalk on Arlington would never happen. He also said the previous administration promised to replace his lost trees and remove the large rocks left on his property. He was in favor of having the street painted to divide the cars and pedestrians.

Mr. Elkins responded to Reverend Chapman by saying the area the sidewalk was put on was the city's right-of-way and was not his property. He also stated that he never said there would never be a sidewalk there, just that it would be difficult.

Mr. Tim Kruse addressed council stating that he does not want the sidewalk in front of his home at 910 Arlington as it would be too close to his house.

Ms. Stella Snowden asked why this sidewalk discussion is coming up now. Mr. Shields replied that his committee discusses things that are or could be a problem. This area was flagged due to its close proximity to the park.

Ms. Froelich brought up the ADA compliance and believes the new sidewalk on Hamilton Road is not ADA compliant nor wide enough.

Mayor Zembrodt replied that it is wide enough and that it was never completed to be ADA compliant since the Arlington sidewalk extension was not discussed yet. Once it is decided what to do with Arlington, the sidewalk on Hamilton will be finished.

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Mr. Karl Oberjohn lives on the corner of Aberdeen Road and Old State Road. He also addressed council. He is grateful for this meeting to discuss the sidewalk. He was previously on council for one term and during that time the city installed sidewalks on Arlington Road and Old State Road. He sees many people using the sidewalks and appreciating them, just as he does. He believes having a safe walkway from the business district on Dixie Highway to Trolley Park would be a great asset to the city. He went on to thank the mayor, council and infrastructure committee for keeping the ball rolling on the St. Joseph Lane sidewalk project.

Ms. Spoor asked the residents in attendance about the lighting on their street. They stated it was well lit. Reverend Chapman stated some areas of Arlington and Old State have lights out. Ms. Alig asked if anyone notices a streetlight out, please call her and she will contact Duke.

Mayor Zembrodt told Reverend Chapman that she would get with him regarding his lost trees

7:43 Motion to adjourn the Caucus meeting was made by Mr. Shields

Mayor, Kathy Zembrod

ATTEST:

City Clerk Aleg









