

CITY OF HERITAGE CREEK

Minutes Regular Scheduled Meeting May 12, 2025

The Honorable Mayor Williams of the City of Heritage Creek met with the City Council in a regular scheduled meeting on May 12, 2025.

Council members approved Marc Kaiser to record the minutes during the city clerk's absence.

Roll Call

Billy Mitchell P
Benny Warford P

Karen Skinner P
Angie Soeder P

Joe Soeder P
Mary Jean Whitehouse P

Meeting Minutes

Councilmember Warford made a motion to approve the April 14, 2025 regular meeting minutes with a correction of the time regarding the closed session. Change the time that states "a motion was made to come out of the closed session at 8:50 pm with a motion to adjourn at 7:55 pm". Time should be corrected to 7:50 pm. Councilmember Joe Soeder seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Financial Report April 2025

Councilmember Warford believed the \$60.00 debit as reflected out of the general fund should be out of the Community Club account. Mayor Williams stated that they could table any action until the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Police Department – April 2025

Chief Kaiser presented the monthly police report and answered all questions. The chief also presented Officer Todd Hale to the council who was recently sworn in. Officer Hale is retired from Louisville Metro Police.

Community Club

The Mayor and Council said the yard sale was a good day with several residents participating.

Mayor Williams reminded everyone of the Junk Pickup May 16-18.

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New Business

Special guest Nathan Wright with Mindel & Associates along with Curtis Mucci with Grand Communities (Fischer Homes) were present to discuss the planting of trees on the city easement in the Villages of Heritage Creek.

Nathan stated that he had met with Mayor Williams earlier in the month and provided documentation to support the Louisville Metro Planning requirement for trees. Councilmember Skinner asked what the ordinance number was, and he replied that Chapter 10 of the Land Development Code required type A trees which would mature to about 50' over a 50–60-year time period. The Mayor informed the council that the city attorney had reviewed the documents and that he said that nowhere do the documents state that the trees are to be planted on the City's easement. Council members had several questions for Nathan. Councilmember Skinner talked about the blasting situation and her experience with Fischer Homes and the State who oversees blasting operators. Curtis Mucci explained that the blasting company is a contractor and that they are not Fischer employees. He can only assume they follow the law. The Mayor said he would give Nathan Wright our city attorney's number for him to call. Council members also asked Mr. Mucci about the situation with the uncompleted sidewalk on Loyal Drive. Mr. Mucci noted the request.

Nathan Wright from Mindel & Associates gave the council an update on the Cedar Creek Patio Homes. He stated that the Marathon Pipe Line caused them to redraw and submit new plans of which he emailed the Mayor a copy. He said they lost 1 single unit due to the setback requirement, but the new plans have been approved by Zoning. They are now working with MSD before submitting paperwork to the City. The Mayor stated he would not sign anything until the property is annexed nor would the guardrail come down on Vision until then. Nathan felt they could begin sitework prior to the annexation and any building. Mayor Williams again reminded them that the guardrail will remain intact until annexation. Nathan felt that they could begin building in the summer of 2026.

Unfinished Business

Judy Lusk with Fischer Homes was present but did not speak.

Resident Comments

Residents wanted to discuss several issues pertaining to ordinance enforcement in 2025, specifically high grass, parking on the streets, nuisance homes and the trash cans remaining out either at the street or in front of their garages. Mr. Firkins felt that we needed to be more aggressive on the grass and other violations. The Council felt the ordinance required the cans be kept behind the front line of the house. Mr. Firkins said the ordinance states in the rear of the property, and Mayor Williams agreed. He felt that we should either enforce and collect all city fines or abolish them. Chief Kaiser explained that not all violators pay their fines and what our options were. The chief also said this

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issue has been discussed several times over the last 2 years with no resolution. Councilmember Joe Soeder explained the parking issue is a tough one but that he would personally look into the garbage can ordinance.

Council Comments

Councilmember Angie Soeder wanted to know about the landscaping at the entrance to Loyal & Cedar Creek. She said the area is overrun with weeds and looks horrible.

Councilmember Benny Warford wanted to let everyone of his displeasure over the negative post on the Neighborhood page about the police spending time pulling cars over on Cedar Creek or even outside of our city limits. He felt that the police were doing an outstanding job and that proactive policing is beneficial to our citizens and deters crime by being visible.

Mayor Comments

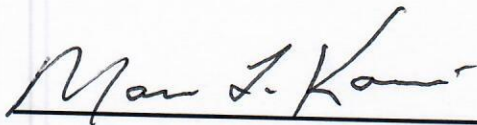
Mayor Williams discussed the PVA notices and Councilmember Skinner explained how the appeal process works and how helpful they were. She said you can go to the library near the Jefferson Mall until 5/19 to appeal.

Close Meeting

Councilmember Billy Mitchell made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Whitehouse. Motion carried 6-0. The meeting closed at 8:25pm.



Fred D. Williams, Mayor



Minutes recorded by Marc J. Kaiser, Chief of Police