

## **CITY OF BLOOMFIELD**

**January 9, 2017**

### **VOLUME IV**

Mayor Rhonda Hagan called to order the regular monthly meeting of the Bloomfield City Council at 6:30 p.m. at the Northeast Nelson Fire House and lead the *Pledge Allegiance to the Flag*. Vacant of one seat, the five elected council members were present Laura Barnett, Jim Glisson, Suzanne Marks, Maryann Martin and Denny Howard. City officers present were City Attorney Amanda Deaton, Police Chief Scott Dennis, Public Works Superintendent Ricky Jewell and City Clerk Jean Jury. Also present was *Ky Standard* reporter Dennis George.

**MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS:** Council members were emailed the meeting packets that included the agenda, December 12, 2016 special meeting minutes, financial statements and “Your Duty of the Law” and “Managing Government Records”. Reading of the minutes was waived. Glisson made a motion, duly seconded by Barnett, to approve the special meeting minutes. Barnett then amended the motion to include two changes; under Ribbon Cutting...., the date is January 10, 2017, not 2018 and under .....Vacancy Process the name Aubry Bolin to Audrey Bolin. Marks seconded the motion to include the amendments by Barnett. ***Motion carried by unanimous decision.*** Next, Howard made a motion, duly seconded by Glisson, to approve the financial reports as presented. ***Motion carried by unanimous decision.***

**VACANCY FILLED:** Mayor Hagan asked for action from the five council members to appoint a citizen to the sixth seat on the Bloomfield City Council. Barnett nominated incumbent Janet Graves and Citizen Audrey Bolin. After they spoke about their qualifications to serve they were asked to leave the room. Then the council deliberated on the correct process on how to make the appointment. Realizing they made an error in having them leave they were asked to return. Once assembled, Mayor Hagan asked the Council to begin the action to appoint the nominee to the Council. Howard then started the process by making a motion to appoint Graves to fill the sixth seat on the Council. Duly seconded by Martin, ***the motion carried 5-0 roll call vote; Barnett-yes, Glisson-yes, Howard-yes, Marks-yes, and Martin-yes.*** With this action the seat was filled. Audrey Bolin then graciously spoke of her appreciation for the community and offered to become more active in civic and youth activities and events.

### **CONCERNS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Chad McCoy (R), newly elected Kentucky State Representative, was on hand to meet the Council and spoke of the new political environment in Frankfort. He said he would be in Room 416B and would have an official address soon. He said offices are being shifted all over the capital. He assured the Council he would be of service and is willing to learn about the City and its concerns.

Joe Grider, Engineer for HMB Engineering which is currently under contract with the City for the Highway 62 and Highway 48 Bridge Replacement Project, noted HMB Engineers are hoping that the work will begin in spring 2018. Council member Martin made Girder aware that the City of Bloomfield’s bicentennial is 2019 and encouraged the work to be completed by 2018 year-end so that the City may plan all of the events without the obstruction of streets, bridges and roads during the 2019 bicentennial year.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**HILL STREET (Marshall) PROPERTY AND MASS FORECLOSURES:** Attorney Deaton ascertained that this Marshall Property and mass foreclosure has been a definite on-going learning process. She affirmed that Clerk Jury forwarded Deaton information that one foreclosure property has a pending civil action against it and once finalized the city would be able to move forward.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT STATION PROJECT:** Howard spoke of the tomorrow's ribbon cutting event at noon. Parking for the event was discussed. Howard said this event was a tribute to all those that were involved in this two year project. A bronze plaque will be presented and plans are to secure it at the front of the building. Jewell noted that EMS County Director Joe Prewitt has installed the Nelson County EMS Station Sign.

**NUISANCE VIOLATIONS:** Glisson reported that there are five active nuisance violations; four that need to be demolished and one needs roof repair.

## NEW BUSINESS

**BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEMBER TERM EXPIRES:** Mayor Hagan relayed that J. B. Murphy's term will expire February 2017. She plans to ask if he would serve another term.

**BANNERS NEEDED:** Mayor Hagan informed the Council that the Bardstown/Nelson County Tourism Commission offers tourism grants that can be used to purchase pole banners. Council member Martin said she would work with Graves on this project; applying for the tourism grant and selecting the banners for the ten decorative poles downtown.

**KLC CITY OFFICIAL ACADEMY:** Scheduled to begin Wednesday, January 11, 2017, Marks and Martin said they definitely would attend. Clerk Jury said she would send in their registrations.

**FARMERS MARKET POTLUCK:** According to Barnett, the Farmers Market community committee and participants schedule an annual potluck every February to formulate plans for the upcoming market year. She will notify the city once they have set the exact date and time.

**CITY DAY IN FRANKFORT:** Martin brought the Council's attention to the February 8<sup>th</sup>'s City Day at the Frankfort Convention Center from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Representative McCoy took note of this and definitely plans to attend.

**PROOF OF RECEIPT:** All Council members, Mayor, and City Attorney signed that they received the "Your Duty of the Law" and "Managing Government Records". These signatures are required to be on file.

## REPORTS

**MAYOR:** Mayor Hagan conducted the swearing-in of Janet Graves to the sixth seat of the Bloomfield City Council.

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:** Jewell spoke of several water line breaks from the shifting of the ground due to the changes in the weather. Several streets have been damaged during repairs. To begin to remedy some repair issues he asked the Council to consider placing \$30,000 to \$40,000 in the Water Company's budget for purchase of 4", 6" and 8" cast iron insert valves that cost approximately \$4,000 each. Council gave consensus.

**POLICE CHIEF REPORT:** Chief Dennis reported 34 citations, 40 violations, 3 accidents and 2 arrests.

## ADJOURNMENT

Howard made motion, duly seconded by Barnett, to adjourn at 7:28 p.m. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

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Jean M. Jury, City Clerk

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Rhonda K. Hagan, Mayor