

CITY OF BLOOMFIELD

March 12, 2018

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 led the *Pledge Allegiance to the Flag*. Council members present were Laura Barnett, Christopher Dudgeon, Janet Graves, Denny Howard, Nathan Jones and Suzanne Marks. City Attorney Amanda Deaton, Assistant Public Works Superintendent Scott Thompson, Police Chief Scott Dennis, and City Clerk Jean Jury were also present. Also present was *Ky Standard* reporter Dennis George.

MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS: Council members were emailed the meeting packets that included tonight's agenda and the February 12, 2018 regular meeting minutes. Reading of the minutes was waived. Barnett made a motion, duly seconded by Dudgeon, to approve the meeting minutes. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.* Next, Howard made a motion, duly seconded Graves, to approve the financial reports as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

PUBLIC

Nelson County Sheriff Deputy Ramon Pineiroa introduced himself and gave a brief background of his civic, law enforcement and military experience that supports his qualification as a candidate for sheriff of Nelson County. Kenny Fogle introduced himself and verified his 25 years of public service serving in the Air Force and Air National Guard. He spoke of his platform for running as a candidate for Nelson County Judge Executive.

Trey Bradley, candidate for the office of Magistrate for the Bloomfield area, and Sam Hutchins, present magistrate for the Botland area, were also present.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ORDINANCE 2018-121, REPEALING NON-EXISTENT COMMISSION: Dudgeon introduced and held the second reading of the ordinance that repeals chapters 39.01, 39.02 and 39.03 of the Code of Ordinance that established Nelson County-Bloomfield Metropolitan Recreation Commission. Barnett made a motion, duly seconded by Marks, to approve the ordinance. *Motion carried by the following 6-0 affirmative vote:* Barnett-yes, Dudgeon-yes, Graves-yes, Howard-yes, Jones-yes, and Marks-yes.

ORDINANCE 2018-122, REPEALING NON-EXISTENT HISTORIC BOARD: Dudgeon introduced and held the second reading of the ordinance that repeals chapters 39.20 and 39.21 of the Code of Ordinance that established a Bloomfield Historic Review Board. Graves made a motion, duly seconded by Dudgeon, to approve the ordinance. *Motion carried by the following 6-0 affirmative vote:* Barnett-yes, Dudgeon-yes, Graves-yes, Howard-yes, Jones-yes, and Marks-yes.

CITY FY 2016-2017 AUDIT: Gilbert Brown of Gilbert Brown & Company CPAs was on hand to answer questions about the 2016-2017 Annual Audit. He ascertained that his company gave an opinion of the financial statements, tested internal control and verified compliance of State and Federal laws in receipt of these moneys. He reported that the City had a clean audit. In time for their review Council members were provided an email copy prior to the meeting. Howard made a motion, duly seconded by Barnett, to accept the audit as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

FARMERS MARKET: Barnett announced the Farmers Market will be held at 181 Chaplin Road; opening April 28th, ending on October 20th. Hours and days will be 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. Tuesdays and 9:00 a.m. to 2 p.m Saturdays.

BARDSTOWN-NELSON COUNTY TOURISM GRANT: Clerk Jury announced that she and Mayor Hagan have selected Spring banners and these have been ordered.

ASSISTANT PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:

- US 62/HWY 55 Utility Relocation "S" Curves Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) Project: Bell Engineer Tony Harover's report stated that KYTC bids were received and opened on February 23, 2018 and HICON was awarded the contract. Notification of preconstruction meeting is forthcoming.
- US 62/HWY 48 Bridges Utilities Relocation Project: HMB Engineer Kerry Odle sent his report stating that he is preparing the Preliminary maps and costs and will be submitting these to District 4 of KYTC.
- Hagan Road Project: Thompson relayed that County Engineer Brad Spalding has started on the preliminary design work on the project to be submitted to the Division of Water.
- Park Open: Thompson announced that the Bloomfield Memorial Park will be open this coming week in time for the Bloomfield Middle School Baseball program.

DONATIONS REQUESTED: Tabled from last month's meeting were requests from the Bardstown Community Clinic and Guthrie Opportunity Center for a donation to their programs. Clerk Jury relayed that Margaret Neal verified the participation of citizen residents for dental, prescription, over the counter, and Medicare programs. After discussion Dudgeon made a motion, duly seconded by Graves, to donate \$250 to each of the organizations this year. *Motion carried by a 4-2 vote;* Howard and Barnett placed the opposing votes.

RESOLUTION 2018-132, SUPPORT OF A CELL TOWER NEAR BLOOMFIELD: Jan Johnston, Nelson County Joint City-County Planning and Zoning Director, was on hand to answer questions about the withdrawal of the Cell Tower Application by Cingular Wireless (AT&T). Not understanding AT&T's reason for withdrawal, Johnston did say these applications are subject to the Federal Communications Commission requirements as set forth in the Section 106 and also to the FAA and Public Service Commission. In regard to the Cell Tower locating near the City Mayor Hagan announced that a consulting committee is being assembled to review the process. After discussion the City Council requested to be on the committee. Howard emphasized that the city needs to make it known that the city is in support of a cell tower. Therefore he prepared and read a **Resolution 2018-132**, supporting the construction of a cell tower for service of the northeast Nelson County area which encompasses the City of Bloomfield. Dudgeon made a motion, duly seconded by Jones, to approve the resolution. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

NEW BUSINESS

MAYOR HAGAN REPORT: Mayor Hagan introduced a new project that would enhance the safety of the residents of the Bloomfield Housing Authority's Creekview Apartments at 124 Perry Street. She stressed that there is only one entrance to the facility and recommended the Council consider supporting the construction of another access to the property for emergency services. Howard made the motion, duly seconded by Barnett, to authorize Thompson to study a plan and to determine a cost. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

NELSON COUNTY LEADERSHIP: Clerk Jury relayed that she and Marsha Holt, participant of the 2017 Leadership Class, collaborated and chose the North East Nelson Fire District as the meeting place and program for the morning session on May 9, 2018. Thompson, Assistant Fire Chief for the North East Nelson County Fire District, has agreed to give a presentation to highlight the District's significance to Bloomfield and the costs and hands on experience with some of its equipment. Mayor Hagan invited the Council to participate.

NCPZ FEE SCHEDULE INCREASE PROPOSAL: Johnston made the Council aware of the fact that the Nelson County P&Z fee schedule has not increased in 12 years. She also noted the pension plan increase for her staff will raise approximately \$17,000 more for 2018-19. The Nelson County Comprehensive Plan is up for review for infrastructure and growth. GIS mapping is yet to be completed and is time consuming. All of these will be reason to increase the County Fee schedule to cover these increased costs.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO ATTEND CLERK INSTITUTE: Clerk Jury requested that Karen Biederman, Administrative Assistant, attend the July 16-20, 2018 Clerks Institute to learn more about her job. Barnett made a motion, duly seconded by Howard, to approve her attendance and cover all her expenses. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

MY NEW OKH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY: President Rick Wagoner visited City Hall earlier and left flyers there and at various places in Bloomfield announcing the campaign to select a family for 2018 that qualifies with Habitat's requirements to construct and own a home in the Bloomfield Area. Prescreening would be held at the Bloomfield Library Meeting Room at 1:30 p.m., Saturday, March 24th.

POLICE CHIEF REPORT Dennis informed the Council that Officer Dwayne Reed has a goal to return to his position in August. Dennis presented his report: 30 citations, 35 violations, 1 arrests, 6 city and 5 county runs. He informed all that the cruiser equipment has been ordered for their vehicles.

ADJOURNMENT

Howard made motion, duly seconded by Dudgeon, to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

Jean M. Jury, City Clerk
Date: _____

Rhonda K. Hagan, Mayor