

CITY OF BLOOMFIELD
March 14, 2016
VOLUME IV

Mayor Rhonda Hagan called to order the regular 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*. Council members present were Laura Barnett, Sue Case, Jim Glisson, Janet Graves, Denny Howard and Tammy Wimpsett. Officers present were Public Works Superintendent Ricky Jewell, Patrol Officer Scott Dennis, City Clerk Jean Jury and City Attorney Amanda Rogers Deaton.

MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS: The meeting packet that included copies of last month's regular meeting minutes and financial reports was delivered by email thereby the reading was waived. Barnett made motion, duly seconded by Case, to approve the meeting minutes. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.* Next, Howard made a motion, duly seconded by Graves, to approve the financial reports as received by email. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT APPOINTMENT: Mayor Hagan received Council consensus for the appointment of Maura Huston to the Board of Adjustment beginning the new term that started February 2016.

HILL STREET MARSHALL PROPERTY FORECLOSURE: Attorney Deaton relayed that she has filed the proper action for the foreclosure on the Marshall Property and is waiting for a response.

MASS FORECLOSURE: Attorney Deaton informed the council that letters have been sent to inform delinquent property tax payers of possible foreclosure on their properties. She updated the Council that two of the eight delinquent tax payers have settled with the city by paying all their taxes.

UNCLAIMED PROPERTIES: Suspected properties to be unclaimed, meaning that no assessments have been made by Nelson County Property Valuation, are being reviewed by licensed surveyor Tim Phipps. He is uncovering mystery of the rightful owners of the properties at the southwest corner of Conley and Mitchell Streets. The other property, listed as the 1883 Lizzie Davis property, borders the north boundary of the Hill Street Black Cemetery.

NUISANCE VIOLATIONS: Glisson reports that two of the four violations are officially done and the remaining two are coming along. He says that five new nuisance properties are ready to be addressed by Officer Scott Dennis as his schedule allows.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT STATION PROJECT: Howard, project leader, was privileged to say Jim Lemeiux, Nelson County Engineer, has promptly worked on the Commercial Building (EMS) addendums to the original plans, submitted advertisement for bids to be opened March 11 (last Friday), conducted the bid opening, assembled the contract, and sent his recommendation for the council to consider as the most responsive and responsible bidder for the project. Three lowest bids were the following; C. Logic, Inc. - \$170,150, Dave Cook Construction Inc. - \$137,753.70, Snider Simpson Construction Inc. - \$145,732. Howard made a motion to award David Cook Construction Inc. the contract for \$134,903.70 for the construction of the Bloomfield Commercial Building for the County to lease for an EMS Station. Furthermore, in the motion, the bid amount excluded bid items #2 and 6A, additionally included item #5 for \$1,200 and added the understanding that some addendums may be negotiated between the City and the Contractor. Duly seconded by Wimpsett, *motion carried by unanimous decision.* Graves motioned that Mayor Hagan be authorized to administer any and all items that may be necessary to complete the project. Duly seconded by Glisson, *motion carried by unanimous decision.* Howard wanted to publicly thank Lemeiux for his superb job. He noted that this commercial building increases the value of the property, insures that an ambulance stays in Bloomfield covering the northeast end of the County and will eventually be paid for by the County renting it from the City.

JAMES O. KING, JR. MEMORIAL PROJECT: Wimpsett, project leader, relayed that the King family accepted the landscape design and budget for the memorial project. Attorney Deaton relayed the next step to get a quitclaim deed to the property. Wimpsett said she would encourage the Kings to deed the property to the city because the below ground infrastructure work needs to begin anytime.

2015 RECREATIONAL TRAILS GRANT (\$11,400/\$11,400 CITY MATCH) PROJECT: Mayor Hagan relayed she has heard from Department for Local Government saying this grant must follow the Local Public Agency (PDA) Guide to select an engineer for the project. She said she was unaware that the City would have to follow the PDA guidelines and felt the expense of an engineer on such a small project was poor use of city funds since it is a small outdoor trails project. Engineering fees are not covered by the grant.

CRUMB RUBBER GRANT: Graves said she contacted Lisa Jones, the Frankfort Kentucky contact for the crumb rubber application. She is yet to hear from her.

NEW BUSINESS

AUDIT STATUS: Clerk Jury relayed the audit is still in progress.

ORDINANCE 2016-109 LATERAL LINE ORDINANCE: Barnett introduced the ordinance by reading the first reading. The ordinance references the inflow and infiltration problem that property owners will be made aware of when the Bloomfield Water & Sewer Company performs smoke testing of the city sewer lines. Property owners will be expected to fix their problems.

SURPLUS PROPERTY: Howard made a motion, duly seconded by Glisson, to declare both 2005 and 2006 Chevy trucks as surplus and advertise these for bid. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

DEBRIS MANAGEMENT PLAN: After reading a letter from Brad Spalding of Nelson County Waste Management the Council found it imperative that all cities adopt the County debris management plan in order for the County to receive FEMA funds for debris removal. Glisson made a motion, duly seconded by Barnett to approve the 64 page plan. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

SECURITY AT THE PARK: Mayor Hagan says she is researching new ways to provide security at the park after a season of vandalism last summer. She is waiting on a proposal from ADT Security Co.

POLICE CHIEF AND VACANCY: Chief Kenny Downs tendered his resignation on March 11th. Mayor Hagan appointed Officer Scott Dennis as the new Police Chief. Glisson made a motion, duly seconded by Case, to approve the appointment. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.* A vacancy now exists for the part-time Patrol Officer position.

RESOLUTION 2016-121, CHIEF DOWNS' VALUABLE SERVICE: Glisson made a motion, duly seconded by Case, to approve a resolution that expresses appreciation to Chief Kenny Downs for his faithful and valuable service to the city. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.* Mayor Hagan presented Downs with the resolution mounted in a plaque.

FARMERS MARKET: Barnett validated that the February 25th potluck kickoff of the Farmers Market was successful. The decision was made to change the Market from Wednesdays to Tuesdays from 3 to 6 p.m. and keep Saturday but change the hours from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. to 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

REPORTS

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Jewell spoke of the Wastewater Improvement Project releasing funds to replace the 20-year-old backhoe, using it as a trade-in for \$19,000 credit, to purchase a John Deere 310L Backhoe from Meade Equipment in Louisville, Ky for the difference of \$68,786. Attorney Deaton drafted a letter to Rural Development noting the "Notice of Proper Procurement Procedure" which verifies that Meade Equipment holds the Kentucky State Agency Purchasing Agreement. Jewell announced that KU will be contacted to install electricity at the Carr's Alley address where the Commercial (EMS) Building is to be built. In regard to the water tank rehabilitation project Jewell, noted from PE Tony Harover's report, that the Contractor mobilized and drained the tank this month. A anonymous donor requested the word "Chaplin" to be repainted back on the tank and offers to pay the approximate \$1,800 cost. Howard made a motion, duly seconded by Barnett, to allow the contractor to accommodate the donor's request. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

POLICE CHIEF REPORT: Chief Dennis reports 27 citations, 38 violators and one arrest. He also announced that citizen Judy Elliot donated another \$500 to the Bloomfield Police Department.

ADJOURNMENT

Graves made motion, duly seconded by Howard, to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

Jean M. Jury, City Clerk

Date: _____

Rhonda K. Hagan, Mayor