

CITY OF BLOOMFIELD
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Mayor Rhonda Hagan first led the *Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag* before she called to order the regular monthly Bloomfield City Council meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Northeast Nelson Firehouse. Council members present were Denny Howard, Mark Mays, Walter Pozgay and Tammy Wimpsett. City Attorney Amanda Blincoe and Kentucky Standard Editor Kenny Fogle were in attendance.

MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS: Council members were hand delivered a copy of April 9, 2012 regular meeting minutes whereby the reading was waived. Pozgay made motion, duly seconded by Mays, to approve the minutes as written. ***Motion carried by unanimous decision.*** Next, Howard made a motion, duly seconded by Pozgay, to approve the financial reports as presented. ***Motion carried by unanimous decision.***

CONCERNS OF THE PUBLIC

Attorney for Old Bloomfield Holdings, LLC, Matthew Hite once again presented an areal view of the City's never built road that extends from the existing corner of Chestnut Street to Taylorsville Road, then also a never built City road (namely "Fairview Street") from the aforesaid extension to Pleasant View Drive (or Maple Avenue as named on the plat). He answered all questions from the Council and property owners that were present at the meeting. Council consensus was that Olde Bloomfield Holdings, LLC's surveyor Steven Hibbs provide an estimate of the size of area the road would encompass. They also asked for an appraised value according to current market value for this area. Also, a written request is expected to be sent to the abutting property owners and to the City Attorney Blincoe before the council would be expected to take action.

Mayor Hagan introduced Dick Heaton, Republican, vying for Kentucky 50th District Representative position in the November 2012 election, who was on hand to learn more about the City of Bloomfield and it's needs.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

POLICE POSITION: Mayor Hagan emphatically stated that the Bloomfield City Council and administration is not planning to do away with police protection for the City. She stated that council consensus was that due to budgetary shortfalls this year two part-time officers would reduce police expenses for next year's budget by not providing benefits for these part-time positions.

RESOLUTION 2012-93: Howard read this resolution that requested future city councils to carefully consider the consequences of closing any paved road connecting to Pleasant View Road. Wimpsett made a motion with Howard's second to approve the resolution. ***Motion carried by unanimous decision.***

SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL: Motion was made by Mays, seconded by Howard, to approve the ***Resolution 2012-94*** that authorizes the Mayor to sign an extension for the agreement until June 30, 2013 with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet for this \$230,500 project. ***Motion carried by unanimous decision.*** Mayor Hagan announced that Strand Engineers have already been approved by KYTC to prepare bids for the project.

UNPAID PROPERTY TAXES: Clerk Jury announced that six 2011 property tax bills have been collected due to Attorney Blincoe's letter and that fifteen remain unpaid (see Exhibit "A"). Pozgay made a motion, with Howard second, to authorize liens to be placed on 2011 unpaids. ***Motion carried by unanimous decision.*** Council consensus was for Attorney Blincoe to move forward with the foreclosure procedure on unpaids for prior years.

STATE'S UTILITY RELOCATION PROJECT: Mayor Hagan announced that Kentucky Utilities plan to conduct a power outage in Bloomfield to move existing service from the poles in front of Bloomfield downtown businesses to poles behind. The outage will be Thursday, May 17, at 1:00 a.m. and could last from three to four hours. Howard relayed that new blacktop has been poured on affected areas, concrete pads have been laid and meter boxes have been installed for the project. Hopes are to be finished before the end of June.

PROJECT REPORTS: Mayor Hagan said the Emergency Preparedness Plan for the City of Bloomfield should be complete by the end of the month. She is checking with Bardstown/Nelson County Tourism Commission to see if the City received a grant to cover expenses for a Bloomfield Brochure. She announced that the Nelson County/Bloomfield Branch Library grand opening would be Sunday, June 10, 2012, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. She said she is finalizing plans for "Music in the Park" for Sunday evenings during the summer.

ORDINANCE 2012-81: Mayor Hagan read the second reading of the ordinance enacting and adopting the 2012 Supplement (6) to the city's Code of Ordinance. Howard made a motion, with Pozgay's second, to adopt the ordinance. ***Motion carried 4-0 roll call vote:*** Howard – yes, Mays – yes, Pozgay – yes and Wimpsett – yes.

NEW BUSINESS

POLICE CHIEF JOB DESCRIPTION: Howard made a motion to approve the revised police chief job description that included the term "part-time", add under Essential Function "Represents Bloomfield on the Nelson County Dispatch Board and attends meetings as required", add under Equipment the word "computer" and strike out all language under Qualifications and add "Must meet all the requirements to be in compliance with the Peace Officer Professional Standards (POPS) and Telecommunicator Professional Standards (TPS) pursuant to KRS 15.380-15.382". With Wimpsett's second, ***motion carried by unanimous decision.***

BUDGET WORKSHOP: Mayor Hagan announced that Thursday, May 31st, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. there will be a special session for a budget workshop to be held in the Bloomfield City Hall Conference Room.

CITY CONSULTANT: Mayor Hagan relayed to the Council that Beverly C. Whelan, CPA, is stepping down as consultant for the City. Scarlett Hibbs, CPA, has consented to fill the position. Hagan plans to present at next month's meeting Hibbs' commitment letter outlining the cost and work she will do.

CONCERNS OF THE COUNCIL

Pozgay reports that water is pooling over the Fairfield Hill Road right at the entrance of the City during heavy rains. He asked if more policing of parking on the sidewalks be done as he sees a lot of fully loaded tandems parked on sidewalks across from the gas station on Chaplin Road and parking on downtown sidewalks during the auction on Fairfield Hill Road. He expressed concern about houses being town down permanently in the city limits which lowers Bloomfield's population, takes away consumers for local businesses and raises the tax base on the remaining properties in the city. He stresses that the City Council think of ways to mitigate this. Consequences are that the City is imploding within and is forced to look in other directions for revenues thereby considering other options like annexing property or imposing other tax programs.

ADJOURNMENT

Pozgay made motion, duly seconded by Wimpsett, to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. ***Motion carried by unanimous decision.***

Rhonda K. Hagan, Mayor

Jean M. Jury, City Clerk

Exhibit "A"

Unpaid 2011 Property Taxes

LocationID	BillNo	OwnerName	TotalTax	w/12% Penalty	ForYear
73W00-03-003.01	15	Beard, Lillie Estate		21.57	2011
73N00-07-003.01	41	Bridwell Larry R & Kathy L		108.57	2011
73C00-01-004	89	Cobble Joseph R & Misty		143.81	2011
73N00-01-001	142	Frazier Allen EST		43.14	2011
73W00-04-048	163	Guthrie Ike Jr		21.57	2011
73C00-05-030	170	Hall Michael		186.95	2011
73W00-04-054.T1	241	Lamar William		3.60	2011
73W00-05-027	278	Marshall John Estate c/o Dan R		14.38	2011
73W00-04-018.01	281	Mason Cedric		38.35	2011
73W00-05-019	284	Mason Dan c/o Lillie Plummer		25.17	2011
73W00-04-054.01	293	Merrifield Ed c/o Will Mudd		1.68	2011
73W00-04-054	302	Mudd Will		13.18	2011
73N00-10-003	367	Parks Darrell Letcher		102.58	2011
73C00-06-018	470	Thomason Thomas D & Betty		123.92	2011
73W00-04-047	500	Wickliffe Utlej EST Guy Mock		15.43	2011
			<i>Sum Of TotalTax:</i>	863.90	