

CITY OF BLOOMFIELD

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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*. Council members present were Laura Barnett, Jim Glisson, Janet Graves, Denny Howard, Suzanne Marks, and Ann Martin. Police Chief Scott Dennis, and City Clerk Jean Jury were also present. Also present was *Ky Standard* reporter Dennis George. City Attorney Amanda Deaton and Public Works Superintendent Rick Jewell were absent.

MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS: Council members were emailed the meeting packets that included tonight's agenda and the June 12, 2017 regular meeting minutes. Reading of the minutes was waived. Glisson made a motion, duly seconded by Barnett, to approve the regular meeting minutes. ***Motion carried by unanimous decision.*** Next, Howard made a motion, duly seconded by Graves, to approve the financial reports as presented. ***Motion carried by unanimous decision.***

PUBLIC

Residents of Hagan Road, a county road connecting to Greens Chapel and Timber Creek Road presented a request for city water for the mile long stretch of county road. Those present in support were Frank Cottrell, his wife, Richard Payne, William and Patricia Disponett. Mayor Hagan suggested the residents take up a petition with contact information and submit the request in writing to the City of Bloomfield. Hence there would begin a study of the possibility of the City providing water.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MARSHALL PROPERTY (HILL STREET) FORECLOSER: Clerk Jury reported that she attended the master commissioner sale on June 28, 2017 to assist the Council on bidding up to \$5,000 on the property. With no Council members able to bid Jury bid to \$5,000 and was out bid \$6,000 by Chris Bishop of Bloomfield. The unpaid City taxes were to be paid to the master commissioner that day by the buyer and City Attorney Amanda Deaton will submit over \$6,000 in mechanics' expenses for the upkeep of the property to the master commissioner for reimbursement.

MASS FORECLOSURES: No report.

NUISANCE VIOLATIONS: Glisson ascertained that two of the existing nuisance violations are closed out. The 116 Hill Street property notice of violation is still pending action.

BARDSTOWN-NELSON COUNTY TOURISM GRANT APPLICATION: Martin noted that she would follow up on the status of the application.

WATER LOAN REFINANCING: Howard announced the Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporation has scheduled the final sale of the Public Projects Revenue and Refund Revenue Bonds, Series 2017, to refinance of the unpaid balance of the 2001 \$1,194,000 Rural Development Loan (4.75% interest rate) through the final year 2041. These new bonds comprise of an interest rate of between 3.7 to 4.2%. This would allow the city approximately a \$4,000 average annual cash flow savings; approximately \$88,000 over the life of the loan.

FARMERS MARKET: Barnett noted that a new vendor has signed up for the market and has lots of varieties of fruits and vegetables.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR ELECTED LEADERS TRAINING: Martin spoke on behalf of Graves of the training they received from attending the Economic Development for Elected Leaders Training in Henderson Kentucky on June 26th and 27th. She said they received a wealth of information about economic development. She hopes to see how the things they learned could be applied to the City of Bloomfield's development.

NEW BUSINESS

POLICY CHANGE: Mayor Hagan spoke of how strained the two public works employees are for time off when to often than many they are called out after hours. Many times they would be paid regular time for these after hours call back since there may have been a holiday or a vacation day on their timesheet. Therefore she recommends that the Council consider a policy change to read that vacation and holiday time be considered as “hours worked” in regard to calculating overtime for the after hours worked. Barnett made a motion to authorize the policy change. Duly seconded by Howard, ***motion carried by unanimous decision.***

REPORTS

MAYOR: Mayor Hagan reported the June 17, 2017 “Barkfest” event, held at the Bloomfield Memorial Park, was a success. Many good comments have been received from those that attended. Activities for the day were a photo booth, face painting, raffles, agility demonstrations, photos of your pet, contests, many booths and a canine unit demonstration.

PUBLIC WORKS: No report.

PATROL OFFICER REPORT: Chief Dennis presented his report: 29 citations, 35 violations, 4 arrests, 4 county assists, and 4 other agency assists.

Howard made motion, duly seconded by Barnett, to adjourn at 7:05 p.m. ***Motion carried by unanimous decision.***

Jean M. Jury, City Clerk
Date: _____

Rhonda K. Hagan, Mayor