

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, and Suzanne Marks. City Attorney Amanda Deaton, Public Works Superintendent Rick Jewell, Police Chief Scott Dennis, and City Clerk Jean Jury were also present. Also present was *Ky Standard* reporter Dennis George. Council member Ann Martin was absent.

MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS: Council members were emailed the meeting packets that included tonight's agenda and the July 10, 2017 regular meeting minutes. Reading of the minutes was waived. Graves made a motion, duly seconded by Barnett, to approve the regular meeting minutes. ***Motion carried by unanimous decision.*** Next, Marks made a motion, duly seconded by Howard, to approve the financial reports as presented. ***Motion carried by unanimous decision.***

PUBLIC

Residents from a private road off of Ky HWY 1066 presented a request for access to water from the Bloomfield Water Systems. Those in attendance were Fernando Campamore, Richard Morgan, Jason McCool, and Pam & Tim Schrogam. They were instructed to seek out help from the Fiscal Court as this road is not a county road thereby the city would not consider extending the water line.

Residents of Hagan Road, a county road connecting to Greens Chapel and Timber Creek Road, were on hand to get an update on the status of their request for water on this county road. See business below.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MARSHALL PROPERTY (HILL STREET) FORECLOSER: Deaton relayed the court has 30 days after the Commissioner's Sale to pay the claimant amounts. The sale was June 28th. Deaton assured she would check on the status of this sale process.

MASS FORECLOSURES: No report.

MUIR ALLEY AND EAST SIDE DOCTOR'S ALLEY CLOSURE: Deaton said she would begin the paperwork on the closure procedure.

NUISANCE VIOLATIONS: Glisson indicated that a clarification of the process will be drafted into a policy for the city to follow. He will present this at next month's meeting.

BARDSTOWN-NELSON COUNTY TOURISM GRANT APPLICATION: With Martin absent Graves announced the City received the \$1,100 grant. She and Martin will be working on ordering banners for the 10 decorative poles in the downtown district.

WATER LOAN REFINANCING: Howard ascertained that the final savings of the water loan refinancing would be around \$88,000 - over the life of the loan (year 2041). He predicted an average annual savings of approximately \$4,000.

FARMERS MARKET: Barnett announced a special event is being planned for Saturday, September 9th at the Farmers Market. Event plans and details will be outlined in a flyer that has yet to be designed. Barnett said that the two new vendors have sold some wonderful products made from their produce.

HAGAN ROAD WATERLINE EXTENSION: In regard to this county road waterline extension request, the city did receive a signed petition for water from six property owners, showing names, addresses and phone numbers. Provided that all six property owners submit their \$1,000 water tap-on fee Howard made a motion, duly seconded by Barnett, to authorize the City to move forward with extending the approximate 4,500' line on Hagan Road for approximately \$44,000. Judge Watts and County Engineer Brad Spalding agreed to do the engineering work, Division of Water submissions, and the acquisition of easements on behalf of the City which will save the Water Company these costs for the project.

NEW BUSINESS

MUNICIPAL ORDER 2017-14-8, JOB DESCRIPTIONS: After discussion of the job description drafts Howard noted the phrase “Will perform other work as assigned” should be added to all descriptions. Also, he recommended the phrase “May be required to attend an occasional Council meetings” be added to the Administrative Assistant’s job description. With these changes included Howard made a motion to approve the job descriptions by Municipal Order. Duly seconded by Gisson, *motion carried by unanimous decision.*

ORDINANCE 2017-119, PERSONNEL AND PAY CLASSIFICATION: Mayor Hagan noted Ordinance 2004-36, adopted May 3, 2004, was outdated and needs the appropriate language that agrees with the current updates to the Employee Handbook and Job Descriptions. In this regard Barnett introduced the revised Personnel and Pay Classification Ordinance and read the first reading.

SETTING 2017 TAX RATES: After a lengthy discussion about the 2017 tax worksheet calculations Graves made a motion to adopt the .328 rate for each \$100 of real property. With Glisson’s second, *motion carried by a 4-1 vote.* Barnett was in opposition. The Council realizing this rate not being the compensating rate (.317) a **public hearing** was required and set for 6:25 p.m. just before the September 11th regular meeting. Barnett next made a motion to adopt the .306 rate for every \$100 of personal property. With Howard’s second, *motion carried by unanimous decision.* The motor vehicle ad valorem rate for 2018 is the same as it has always been since 1983 when it was established by law.

ORDINANCE 2017-120, SETTING THE TAX RATE: Barnett introduced the ordinance setting the 2017 tax rates. She read the first reading.

JOINT CITY-COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING CITY FEES: The annual letter from Director Jan Johnston-Crowe about the 2017 Bloomfield obligation of \$3,485.97 was reviewed. The city is charged as 1.9% of Nelson County’s population for their portion of the \$183,472.34 local government contributions.

RESOLUTION 2017-129, COUNTY AREA SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE: For the period of 2018-2022 Barnett, once again, read the resolution. She then made a motion to approve the resolution that adopts the plan. Duly seconded by Howard, *motion carried by unanimous decision.*

REPORTS

MAYOR: Mayor Hagan noted that the council is now fitted with tablets, each, provided by AT&T. She said they were free with a nominal fee charged each month for their use.

PATROL OFFICER REPORT: Chief Dennis presented his report: 40 citations, 48 violations, 2 arrests, 2 warrants, 6 dispatch, and 2 county assists.

PUBLIC WORKS: Jewell reports that the KYTC's Hwy 55/US 62 Highway seven mile reconstruction project has been on hold because the State was unable to acquire a necessary easement. However, after he attended a KYTC meeting in Elizabethtown about the project he was instructed that the water and sewer portion of the project needs to be completed by the first of the year. KYTC is funding the project, paying the city for all costs in regard to its expenses for the project which includes fees from their choice of engineer; Bell Engineering Company. Jewell noted KYTC shared that the HWY 48/Chaplin RD Bridge Replacement project has been pushed back to maybe begin in late 2018. Jewell presented, for the City Attorney’s review, Bell Engineer’s bid package for the Bloomfield Sanitary Sewer Rehab Project.

Howard made motion, duly seconded by Barnett, to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

Jean M. Jury, City Clerk

Date: _____

Rhonda K. Hagan, Mayor

