

**CITY OF BLOOMFIELD**  
**October 10, 2016**  
**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. Boy Scout Troop #136 lead the *Pledge Allegiance to the Flag*. Council members present were Laura Barnett, Sue Case, Jim Glisson, Janet Graves, Denny Howard and Tammy Wimpsett. City officers present were Police Chief Scott Dennis, Public Works Superintendent Ricky Jewell and City Clerk Jean Jury. Also present was *Ky Standard* reporter Trey Crumby.

**MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS:** Council members picked up (from the blue book drop box) the meeting packets that included copies of September 12th special meeting minutes thereby the reading was waived. Barnett made a motion, duly seconded by Graves, to approve the regular meeting minutes. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.* Next, Graves made a motion, duly seconded by Barnett, to approve the financial reports as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

**CONCERNS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Boy Scout Troop # 136 was present to speak to the Mayor about local government and it's role in providing services such as recreation, police, water, sewer, garbage and land use planning; all of which furthers the protection, safety and well being of Bloomfield citizens.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**HILL STREET (Marshall) PROPERTY AND MASS FORECLOSURES:** Attorney Deaton said the Marshall Property should be sold by yearend and the mass foreclosure properties have dwindled down to about four.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT STATION PROJECT:** Howard reported that the commercial building project to house the Nelson County EMS is complete. He ascertained that the project fell within the project budget and timeline. Howard commended the Public Works staff for their tremendous amount of work on the clearing, cleaning, shaping, grading, seeding and mulching at the location.

**NUISANCE VIOLATIONS:** Glisson noted the status of the 10 active violations. These are moving at a snails pace.

**FARMERS MARKET:** Barnett announced that the Farmers Market offered refreshments at a recent Saturday market and it went over well. She said the venders wanted to come back next year. She announced the Farmers Market's final day is by October end.

**CITY HALL EMERGENCY BACKUP PROJECT:** Howard, project manager, informed the Council that the business (Intense Electric, Lawrenceburg, Ky.) was contracted to install the emergency backup generator (for \$8,900) and plans to install it sometime this week. Howard is proud to note that the City is now ready for an emergency power failure through the installation of an emergency backup system for City Hall, the Emergency Management Station, and all the Water and Sewer Stations.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ORDINANCE 2016-115, AMENDMENT TO WATER AND SEWER RATES:** Barnett introduced the ordinance that raised water and sewer rates by approximately 5%, annually, for the next three years. She held the first reading of the entire ordinance. Attorney Deaton said she would present a summary by the second reading and adoption at the November 14th meeting.

**LITTER ABATEMENT FALL CAMPAIGN:** Jury noted that a non-profit organization performed the litter pickup at the north end of the city this past weekend. She said two more organizations are going to pick up litter on the south and east end of the city.

**NELSON COUNTY LEADERSHIP CLASS OF 2016:** Wimpsett announced that the Class of 2016 chose the Bloomfield Memorial Park to make improvements. She said she is working with Johnathan Hagerman, member of the class, to help create a plan to spruce up the facility areas. With help from the City for some of the supplies the 15 member class has installed new landscaping, railing on an existing set of steps at the flag pole, and painted the worn picnic tables and posts. She said they pressure washed the concession and picnic pavilion, weeded and mulched the flower beds and worked for an entire day. She said they plan to do more provided their schedules will allow. Mayor Hagan said she would write them a letter of appreciation choosing Bloomfield this year for their project and thank them for their work.

**SPEEDBUMP REQUEST FOR RIVERSIDE DRIVE:** Wimpsett emphasized that several families of children now live on Riverside Drive. Resident speeders are causing a risk and she suggests installing speed bumps on the street. Jewell stated, emphatically, that these bumps would hinder snow removal in the winter months. After much discussion it was the consensus of the Council not install but to first report the speeders to the Police Department so that they may talk to the resident speed violators. Secondly they asked to install signage to warn speeders to slow down. Jewell validated that "15 mph" and "dead end" signs are already posted at the entrance to the street.

## REPORTS

**MAYOR REPORT:** Mayor Hagan verified the time for "Trick or Treat" for Monday, October 31, Halloween night. It was scheduled between 5 and 8 p.m. in the City limits.

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:** Jewell noted that the sewer repairs for residents with infiltration problems is at about 75% of those who received letters of violations. The Bloomfield Water and Sewer fixed a large repair that happened through Simpson Creek just above City Hall. They have 3 to 4 more small areas to fix. Sewer treatment gallons has been reduced tremendously as a result of the repairs.

**POLICE CHIEF REPORT:** Chief Dennis reported 21 citations, 12 service, 8 arrests, 3 drug, and a counterfeit money report. He said 25 of the 28 citations were for speeding. He says the new 2014 Ford Explorer SUV Police vehicle has been placed in service and was outside for all to see.

## ADJOURNMENT

Howard made motion, duly seconded by Wimpsett, to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

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Jean M. Jury, City Clerk

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Rhonda K. Hagan, Mayor