

**CITY OF BLOOMFIELD**  
**November 12, 2018**  
**VOLUME IV**

Mayor Christopher Dudgeon called to order the regular monthly meeting of the Bloomfield City Council @ 6:30pm at the Northeast Nelson firehouse and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members present were Janet Graves, Suzanne Marks, and Denny Howard. The meeting was delayed until a quorum was present when Council Member Laura Barnett arrived at 6:45 p.m. Council member Nathan Jones arrived at 6:58 pm. These made up the five member council with an open seat created at October's meeting when Chris Dudgeon was appointed mayor. City Attorney Amanda Deaton, Police Chief Scott Dennis, City Clerk Jean Jury, Public Works Superintendent Scott Thompson and KY Standard reporter Dennis George were also in attendance.

**MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS:** Council members were emailed the October 8th, 2018 regular meeting minutes and previous month end financials. Reading of the minutes was waived. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Graves and seconded by Howard. *Motion was carried by unanimous decision.* Howard next made a motion and seconded by Marks to accept the financial reports as presented. *Motion was carried by unanimous decision.*

**PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE**

Members of Scout Troop # 136, led by Troop Leader Chris Johnson, were in attendance to witness a council meeting to earn a Civic Badge. Citizens John Hammond and Matt Thompson were present to express interest in becoming more involved in the City's business and possibly be a candidate for the upcoming two vacant seats on the Bloomfield City Council beginning January 1, 2019.

David Bishop and son, Chris Bishop, of Bishop Realty were on hand to announce there is a prospective buyer for twenty acres in the Blazer Heights Subdivision that has already been stubbed out for water and sewer for construction of approximately 47 homes. With the recent increase in sales of homes they noted that there is not a one home that is vacant in the subdivision. They felt it was time for the Council to reconsider reducing the "impact fee" of \$4,500 to encourage this development to allow a positive outcome for additional tax, water and sewer revenues for the City. (See Howard's proposal below in new business.)

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**VACANCY FILLED:** Judy Wilson, write-in candidate for the Bloomfield City Council beginning January 1, 2019, was on hand to offer to serve the vacant position for December 2018. Howard made a motion to appoint her to serve. Marks seconded the motion. *Motion was carried by unanimous decision.* Mayor Dudgeon will swear her in before the December meeting.

**ORDINANCE 2018-130; Chapter 151, Amending Dimension of Manufactured Housing:** Howard introduced this ordinance by conducting the second reading. Jones made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Duly seconded by Marks *motion was carried by the following 5-0 roll-call vote: Barnett-yes, Graves-yes, Howard-yes, Jones-yes, Marks-yes.*

**PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT STATUS:** Thompson reported on the following projects:

- "S" Curves: The City's portion of the water main relocation is finished. The Contractor hired by Kentucky Transportation Cabinet is facing a tremendous delay due to rainy weather. The project was scheduled to be finished by November 1, but now may not be done until spring.
- Hagan Road Water Line Status: Approximately 2,000 feet of the 4,500 foot water line has been constructed. It will depend on the weather as to when this project would be complete.
- US 62/KY 48 Bridges Project – Utility Relocation: No update today.
- Water Company Utility Staff Uniform Proposal Error: At the September Council meeting the Council approved the proposal to contract for a uniform service for the utility staff for \$32.96/month. An error was made in that the amount was for **\$34.66 per week** and not monthly. Howard made a motion to authorize the expense. Duly seconded by Barnett the *motion was carried by unanimous decision.*

## NEW BUSINESS:

**ORDINANCE 2018-131; Adopting Supplement (9) to the Code of Ordinance:** Barnett introduced this ordinance by conducting the first reading. It's an update of the code to include ordinances enacted since Supplement (8).

**RESOLUTION 2018-138; Sympathy for the Passing of Lee Agee:** Jones read the resolution expressing sympathy for the passing of Lee Agee and expressed gratitude for his service as a council member for the City of Bloomfield. Barnett made a motion, duly seconded by Graves, to approve the resolution. *Motion was carried by unanimous decision*

**RESOLUTION 2018-139: Appreciation for service of former Mayor Rhonda K. Hagan:** Barnett read the resolution that expressed appreciation for her valuable and faithful service for almost two terms as Mayor of the City of Bloomfield. Jones made a motion, duly seconded by Howard, to approve the resolution. *Motion was carried by unanimous decision.*

**RESOLUTION 2018-140: Appreciation for 20 years of service for City Clerk Jean M. Jury:** Howard read the resolution that expressed gratitude for her dedicated service as City Clerk for the past 20 years of service. She retires as of November 30, 2018. Howard made a motion, duly seconded by Graves, to adopt the resolution. *Motion was carried by unanimous decision.*

**PLAQUE FOR DEDICATED SERVICE:** Mayor Dudgeon presented Jean M. Jury with a plaque of appreciation for 20 years of service and marked the fact that she became a Certified Kentucky Municipal Clerk in 2001 by the University Of Kentucky Martin School Of Public Policy.

**KAREN BIEDERMAN APPOINTED AS CITY CLERK:** Mayor Dudgeon recommended Karen Biederman to become City Clerk with a compensation rate of \$17.79/hour when referencing the Salary Review Survey from the Kentucky League of Cities. Jones made a motion to hire Biederman and round the salary to \$18/hour. Howard seconded the motion. *Motion was carried by unanimous decision.* She'll be sworn in before December 1, 2018.

**BLOOMFIELD MEMORIAL PARK DAM UPGRADE:** Ron McCaine, PE for Bell Engineering, was on hand to propose a fee of \$6,500 for further engineering review of the three phases needed to address deficiencies of the Dam and methods to bring it into compliance with the KY Division of Water requirements. After much discussion Jones made a motion, duly seconded by Barnett, to authorize Mayor Dudgeon to execute a contract on an hourly basis not to exceed the \$6,500 cost. *Motion was carried by unanimous decision*

**INFILTRATION AND INFLOW WORK:** Tony Harover, PE for Bell Engineering, talked of budgetary numbers to address a particular poor condition 1700 foot sewer line section in the Maple Grove Cemetery which needs relining. He spoke of getting price quotes and that Thompson had already submitted it for state funding review.

**SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT CHARGES:** Howard clarified the \$4,500 the Bishops referred to as "impact fees" by putting it into the proper categories as stated in the City of Bloomfield Code of Ordinance: \$1,000 – water tap on fee, \$1,500 – sewer tap on fee, and \$2,000 - System Development Charges. Being familiar with these fees that were set before the Wastewater Improvement Project began 15 years ago Howard made a motion to lay this topic on the table and hire an engineering firm to revisit the financial and engineering factors again that justify lowering the system development \$2,000 fee. With Graves second *motion was carried by unanimous decision.*

**MAYOR REPORT:** Mayor Dudgeon relayed that Jones and Associates, CPAs from Lexington, Kentucky, have begun the 2017-2018 audit work. He also spoke of the Dollar General Store located on Arnold Lane that has being one of the highest volume stores in the Kentucky rural area. He spoke of contacting the Goodlettsville, Tennessee branch which plans all the sites for new stores. He said consumers need to spread the word to have people write letters to encourage a bigger store that will handle meat and produce for this area. He encouraged all to write letters to Mayor Dudgeon at City Hall to support this effort. Letters need to include the age of the head of household, how many kids head of household has and state their income.

**POLICE CHIEF REPORT:** Chief Dennis also gave his report of: 60 Citations, 88 violations, 16 City runs, 5 County runs and 1 arrest. He also said the WI-FI installed in the two cruisers will cost approximately \$39.60 per month per unit. This will connect to the Mobile Data Terminal.

## ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Howard and seconded by Graves to adjourn the meeting @ 7:40pm. *Motion was carried by unanimous decision.*

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Jean M. Jury, City Clerk  
November 12, 2018

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Christopher M. Dudgeon, Mayor