

## **CITY OF BLOOMFIELD**

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### **VOLUME III**

Mayor Ronnie Bobblett called to order the Bloomfield City Council at 6:30 p.m. at the Northeast Nelson Firehouse. In attendance were council members Ann Agee, Henry Cobble, Rhonda Hagan, Johnathan Hagerman, Walter Pozgay and Police Chief Mike Cotton. City Attorney Jim Willett, Council Member Mark Mays, and Public Works Superintendent Ben Long were absent.

**MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS:** Council members were hand delivered a copy of last month's special meeting minutes whereby the reading was waived. Agee made a motion, duly seconded by Cobble, to approve the meeting minutes. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.* Pozgay made a motion, duly seconded by Hagerman, to approve the financial reports as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

### **CONCERNS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Representative of Bloomfield Community of Tomorrow (BCT) Amos Gritton spoke of the group's work on the line relocation project in regard to the original intent of the TE-21 Bloomfield Scenic Beautification original \$88,000 grant/\$22,000 city match. After funding the Springfield Road sidewalk the grant balance is \$36,186 with a \$9,046 city match. He relayed that BCT is meeting with the DOT's Mr. Edwards on Thursday to discuss the Transportation Cabinet's possible project commitment authorized by the Governor. Gritton admitted that if the Governor doesn't commit to the line relocation project then it has met its end in regard to getting help from the state.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**TE-21 BLOOMFIELD SCENIC BEAUTIFICATION GRANT:** The balance of the TE-21 grant and city match for construction of contemporary clock and the remainder of funds going back to the state was the mayor's report from of an approval letter written from Shane Tucker of the Transportation Cabinet received last fall. Consensus was to table further discussion for expensing the TE-21 fund balance until the Governor's commitment to the line relocation project is revealed from the Thursday meeting.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** The mayor emphasized that the December 5th "Light of Bloomfield" was a success. He also said that the city has not received any further information on the \$230,000 Safe Routes to School project that the city staff received training for back in November 2009.

**UNSAFE STRUCTURES:** After reviewing the response from the letters sent to four property owners (156, 158, 166 Hill Street and Fairfield Hill Old Mill) citing them for violation of the City's Unsafe Structure Ordinance Hagan made a motion, duly seconded by Pozgay, to authorize legal action to bring these properties into compliance. With Cobble abstaining, *motion carried by a 4 to 0 vote by the remaining membership.* The mayor said he would put this on the list for the city attorney.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**APPOINTMENTS:** The mayor read the list of employees and boards appointments to remain the same as 2009 appointees and conveyed that, once again, Ben Long serves as assistant mayor in his absence. Pozgay made a motion, duly seconded by Hagerman, to reappoint Sandra Cobble to the 4-year Board of Adjustment term. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.* He maintained that he is yet to find anyone to serve on the Ethics Board and invited the Council to make suggestions.

**FISHING, SWIMMING AND TRESPASSING ORDINANCE:** Agee made a motion, duly seconded by Cobble, to allow fishing at the Bloomfield Memorial Park reservoir. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.* The mayor said he would put this on his list for the attorney to draft an amended ordinance. He also said he is talking with Department of Fish & Wildlife about stocking the lake.

**DEPOT STREET PROPERTY:** Recently 183 and 189 Depot Street properties were deemed not to be located in the City limits and a refund totaling \$138.20 (one credited for Homestead Exemption) was refunded for 2009 property taxes. Discussion ensued as to whether to seek annexation of these properties as the City has included them in past city assessments. The Depot Street Bridge was then determined not to be in the city limits thereby causing the Council to table the annexation review. The mayor said he would put these items on the list for the attorney.

## CONCERNS OF THE COUNCIL

*Agee*, in regard to no news about the unclaimed property at the southwest corner of Conley Avenue and Mitchell Avenue, she asked, “where do we go from here?” She commended Long for removal of dead animals from city streets. The mayor said he would put it on the list for the attorney.

*Hagerman*, following up on an appreciation plaque for past council member Liz Gillis’ years of service, asked if it had been ordered as promised. To pursue resolving the problem of lack of an attorney service bill since 2002 Hagerman agreed that a city attorney quarterly bill would be ideal. The mayor said he would put it on the list for the attorney.

*Pozgay* asked if the KLC organization is still a reputable organization the City should do business with. He then spoke of the February 3<sup>rd</sup> KLC’s City Day and City Night annual day of city advocacy in Frankfort. After he talked about the promotional advantages of “Facebook” internet exchange Agee made a motion, duly seconded by Cobble, to authorize Pozgay to set up a “Facebook” account on the internet which is free of cost and link it to the city’s web page [www.bloomfieldky.com](http://www.bloomfieldky.com). *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

## ADJOURNMENT

Pozgay, duly seconded by Hagerman, made motion to adjourn at 7:25.m. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

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Ronnie Bobblett, Mayor

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Jean M. Jury, City Clerk