

CITY OF BLOOMFIELD
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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 and lead the *Pledge Allegiance to the Flag*. Council members present were Laura Barnett, Jim Glisson, Janet Graves, Suzanne Marks, and Denny Howard. Council member Ann Martin and City Attorney Amanda Deaton were absent. Police Chief Scott Dennis, Public Works Superintendent Ricky Jewell and City Clerk Jean Jury were also present. Also present was *Ky Standard* reporter Dennis George.

MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS: Council members were emailed the meeting packets that included the agenda and the February 13, 2017 regular meeting minutes. Reading of the minutes was waived. Barnett made a motion, duly seconded by Graves, to approve the meeting minutes. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.* Next, Howard made a motion, duly seconded by Glisson, to approve the financial reports as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ORDINANCE 2017-116: ZONING REGULATIONS AMENDMENT: Barnett introduced and read the second reading of this ordinance that amends Article 5: Sections 6.1, 6.12, 6.13C, 6.14, 6.15 and 6.16 of the Joint City-County Zoning Regulations. Motion was made by Barnett to adopt the ordinance. Duly seconded by Marks, *motion carried by unanimous 5-0 roll call vote: Barnett-yes, Glisson-yes, Graves-yes, Howard-yes and Marks-yes.*

HILL STREET (Marshall) PROPERTY AND MASS FORECLOSURES: Attorney Deaton sent word to Mayor Hagan that the Council should hear some progress in the next thirty days. No other information was given on the mass foreclosures.

NUISANCE VIOLATIONS - CITY ATTORNEY: No status update was presented from the City Attorney about the nuisance properties at 189 Depot Street and 116 Hill Street

NUISANCE PROPERTIES: Glisson relayed no progress was reported from Code Enforcement Officer Logan Spaulding in regard to nuisance properties of at 179 Hill Street and 181 Hill Street

BARDSTOWN-NELSON COUNTY TOURISM GRANT APPLICATION: Graves informed the Council the grant application is coming along with the deadline to be turned into Bardstown-Nelson County Tourist and Convention Commission no later than May 15.

WATER LOAN REFINANCING: Howard ascertained that Rural Development is combining the City's water loan with other Kentucky city loan requests to make the combined loans attract a better rate.

FARMERS MARKET POTLUCK: Barnett reported the potluck, held Thursday, February 23rd, at 6 pm at the Bloomfield Branch Library, brought 14 people together. A couple of new people attended and have lofty plans to participate. She said a meeting would be planned to work out final plans for this season. She announced that former Council member Tammy Wimpsett is scheduling to meet with the lesser, Broaddus Brothers, to have this year's lease agreement signed.

NEW BUSINESS

MUNICIPAL ORDER 2017-3-13: PERSONNEL HANDBOOK: The council was e-mailed a copy of the Part one through Part ten of "The City of Bloomfield Personnel Policies and Procedure Handbook" revision dated March 13, 2017. After Barnett read the Municipal Order to adopt these parts of the handbook Howard made a motion to approve. Duly seconded by Graves, *motion carried by unanimous decision.*

CITY GARBAGE CONTRACT: Mayor Hagan relayed the current contract with Waste Management automatically renewed at the current customer rate of \$11.23 beginning March 1, 2017. The contract renewed for one year.

PVA BUILDING AND NEW ARIALS: PVA Administrator Barbara Tichenor send an email stating the County PVA office has contracted with Pictometry to have new aerial imaging for the County. She explained an add-on option called Change-Finder that would cost \$18,043 more. A menstruation is scheduled in the Fiscal Court Room of the old courthouse for March 14 at 3 p.m. She invited government entities to partner with local offices to fund the Change-Finder which PVA's budget cannot afford. No action was taken by the Council.

GROCERY STORE SEARCH: Glisson informed the Council that he has been working with Clerk Jury in sending out 150 letters to grocery store chains inviting them to take a look at opening one in Bloomfield. To date he has received several phone calls and letters expressing interest with two close prospects of having face to face meetings.

REPORTS

MAYOR: Mayor Hagan noted that she is working with LTADD Janice Rawson on the next phase of the "The City of Bloomfield Personnel Policies and Procedure Handbook" which addresses city procedures in under various responsibilities and processes of city government. In regard to the removal of the only traffic light in the center of town Mayor Hagan says the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) is planning to erect more visible 4-way stop signs to match the historic look of the town. The traffic light was damaged by a semi-truck driver that has been in violation in the past for illegal heights and widths of his loads. KYTC is citing the driver for the damage done. Also, until the bridge replacement project is completed the State and City need to come to consensus as to whether a traffic light be reinstalled. The bridge project is tentatively slated to begin in 2018. Glisson asks that the unsightly utility poles on the corners be taken down.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Jewell spoke of working on correcting several areas of infiltration into city sewers from ground water. He said there are areas that may need to be lined instead of tearing up sidewalks.

POLICE CHIEF REPORT: Chief Dennis reported 36 citations, 58 violations, arrests and 2 warrants have been served.

ADJOURNMENT

Howard made motion, duly seconded by Glisson, to adjourn at 7:00 p.m. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

Jean M. Jury, City Clerk
Date: _____

Rhonda K. Hagan, Mayor