

CITY OF BLOOMFIELD
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In the absence of Mayor Ronnie Bobblett Council Member Liz Gillis called to order the Bloomfield City Council regular monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Northeast Nelson Firehouse. Attending were council members Henry Cobble, Tina Long, Mark Mays, Walter Pozgay and Richard Sweazy. City Attorney Jim Willett, Police Chief Mike Cotton, City Clerk Jean Jury, and Radio Station WBRT's Fred Hagan were also present. Public Works Superintendent Ben Long was absent.

MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS: Council members were mailed a copy of last month's regular meeting minutes whereby the reading was waived. Long made a motion, duly seconded by Mays, to approve the April 14, 2008 meeting minutes. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.* Long made a motion, duly seconded by Pozgay, to approve the financial reports as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

CONCERNS OF THE PUBLIC

Nelson County Planning and Zoning Bloomfield Commission Kenneth Brown was on hand to address any questions concerning zoning issues.

Bloomfield Community of Tomorrow Representative Liz Gillis reported that they have not held a meeting yet in regard to the TE-21 Bloomfield Beautification Project (\$88,000 Grant with remaining balance of \$36,186 and \$10,046 City Match). Furthermore Gillis did say that Amos Gritton is trying to find light poles that resemble the antique lights on Taylorsville Road.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

CIVIC CENTER: Sweazy and Long agreed to serve, along with the mayor, on the committee to review future plans for the maintenance, operation and use of the 155 Arnold Lane property (formerly Sidney's Grill). They agreed to help draft a operating budget for this project for the upcoming fiscal year. Long discussed work that had been done and presented a bid from Corvins Carpet for \$3,836 to replace the carpet. Consensus was that carpet cleaning and replacement was not a favorable option and that a tile or linoleum floor was more desirable. Long indicated that the committee would bid this type flooring and put together general operation and improvement expenses before the 2007-2008 budget workshop.

AUDITOR SELECTION: City Clerk Jury announced that the city received three bids from auditors and that Mayor Bobblett recommended, based on being the most responsive and responsible bidder, that Brown and Company be engaged to do the 2007-2008 annual audit for a fee of \$4,500. Sweazy made a motion, duly seconded by Long, to accept the Mayor's recommendation. *Motion carried with a 5-1 vote.* Clerk Jury also presented an engagement letter from consultant Beverly Whelan, CPA. Gillis made a motion, duly seconded by Long, to authorize the mayor to accept Whelan's engagement as City Consultant in preparation for the 2007-2008 annual audit. *Motion carried with a 5-1 vote.*

CONLEY PARK BOUNDARY FENCE: They mayor sent word that the boundary fence was not contracted because the bidder lacked worker's compensation insurance. Pozgay relayed that he would check with the second bidder, Voit Electric Company, to verify whether they would be properly covered and bring this information to next month's meeting.

LITTER ABATEMENT: No funds are available for this 2008 Calendar year for roadside cleanup.

NEW BUSINESS

SPECIAL MEETING: Gillis relayed the mayor is calling a special meeting for Wednesday, May 28, at 6:30 p.m. for a budget workshop and 1st reading of the 2007-2008 City Budget Ordinance.

PUBLIC HEARING: Gillis relayed that a public hearing will be held before the June 9th regular meeting, at 6:20 p.m., to hear comments on the proposed use of Department of Transportation Municipal Aid of \$9,542 and LGEA funds of \$1,200.

CONCERNS OF THE COUNCIL

Mays suggested that, in the future, that litter abatement projects be offered to all volunteer groups in the community that need a fund raising project and not the same group each time.

Gillis noted that Oak Street, Chestnut Street and Simpson Creek Road all need signs posted.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Liz Gillis, Presiding Officer

Jean M. Jury, City Clerk