

CITY OF BLOOMFIELD

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Mayor Ronnie Bobblett called to order the Bloomfield City Council regular monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Northeast Nelson Firehouse. Council members present were Henry Cobble, Liz Gillis, Tina J. Long, Mark Mays, Walter Pozgay and Richard Sweazy. City Attorney Jim Willett and Public Works Superintendent Ben Long were also present.

MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS: Council members were mailed a copy of the last month's regular meeting minutes whereby the reading was waived. Mays made a motion and T. Long seconded to approve the regular meeting minutes. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.* T. Long made a motion and Pozgay seconded to approve the financial reports as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

CONCERNS OF THE PUBLIC

Bloomfield Planning Commissioner Kenneth Brown was not in attendance. Nelson County Fiscal Court Magistrate Jerry Hahn was asked to check with the ambulance service to see if drivers are supposed to have the emergency lights on when they are driving over the speed limit.

Amos Gritton from the Bloomfield Community of Tomorrow spoke about Laura Bush's campaign "Preserve America". He informed the Council that the City of Bloomfield's application for the Preserve America designation was declined due to technicalities. One being that this group should be validated by the City of Bloomfield by the appointment of committee members by the mayor and approved by the City Council. The city attorney was asked to review the latest letter from the Preserve America campaign and bring advise to the next meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MAYOR REPORT: The mayor informed the city council that the Hill Street light was installed, city hall was pressure washed, and the building signs have been taken for replacement or repair.

NEW BUSINESS

SETTING THE PROPERTY TAX RATE:

- Real and Personal Property: Sweazy made a motion to set the real property tax rate and personal property tax rate to the maximum "up to" 4% rate per \$100 value; 18.2 cents of each \$100 value of taxable real property and 24.8 cents of each \$100 value of taxable personal property. With Gillis' second *motion carried by unanimous decision.*
- Motor Vehicle and Watercraft Property: Gillis made a motion to set the rate for motor vehicles as same as always at 27.5 per \$100 value of motor vehicle property. With T. Long's second *motion carried by unanimous decision.*

ORDINANCE 2007-60: Clerk Jury read the first reading of this tax rate ordinance to include the above tax rates. A required public hearing was scheduled to hear comments from citizens in regard to the setting of the "up to" 4% rate. The hearing will be held before the next regular meeting on September 10 at 6:20 p.m. A second reading and a vote on the ordinance's passage shall be taken at the regular meeting to follow the hearing.

RESOLUTION 2007-69: T. Long made a motion with Sweazy's second to approve this resolution affirming the continuation of a single county designation of the Nelson County Solid Waste Management Area. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

WORKING SESSION CALLED: T. Long made a motion with Sweazy's second to authorize the mayor to arrange a working session to review the Pay Classification and Compensation Ordinance 2004-35 and vacation, sick and holiday policies within the Personnel Policy and Procedure Handbook. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.* Willett reminded City Clerk Jury to give notice to the press.

WEB PAGE: The mayor announced that the web page with Bardstown Internet no longer exists since the City has signed with Bellsouth.net for e-mail service. Walter Pozgay volunteered to design a web page for the City.

CONCERNS OF THE COUNCIL

Gillis asked City Clerk Jury to pay Bloomfield Community of Tomorrow the \$500 for the Melrose Pyrotechnic Display held at the Picnic in the Park this past July 7th. She asked when the Insight Communication contract expires. Clerk Jury said it was signed August 9, 1999.

Pozgay relayed a citizen complaint about an overgrown yard.

Mays commented on the narrow grassy strips that should be scraped up on the curbs in front of the sidewalks.

ADJOURNMENT

Mays made a motion at 7:30 p.m. to adjourn. With Gillis' second *motion carried by unanimous decision.*

Ronnie Bobblett, Mayor

Jean M. Jury, City Clerk