

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. Attending were council members Henry Cobble, Liz Gillis, Tina Long, Mark Mays, Walter Pozgay and Richard Sweazy. Public Works Superintendent Ben Long, Police Chief Mike Cotton and City Attorney Jim Willett were not present.

MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS: Council members were mailed a copy of last month's regular meeting minutes whereby the reading was waived. Mays made a motion, duly seconded by Sweazy, to approve the meeting minutes. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.* Pozgay made a motion, duly seconded Gillis, 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 and Magistrate Jerry Hahn were not present. The community group, Bloomfield Community of Tomorrow, presented no news.

Ronnie Bobblett, representative of the Northeast Nelson Community Development Agency, relayed that the "Harvest Homecoming" held this past Saturday, September 6th, was a great success and an evaluation meeting is planned for Thursday, September 11, at City Hall.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ORDINANCE 2008-63: Clerk Jury read the second reading of the tax rate ordinance setting the "up to" 4% rate for real property. A public hearing was held at 6:20 p.m. prior to the meeting. Gillis made a motion, duly seconded by Pozgay to approve the ordinance assessing 19.0 cents per \$100 value on real and personal property and 27.5 on motor vehicles. *Motion carried by the following, unanimous, roll call vote:* Long – yes, Cobble – yes, Gillis – yes, Mays – yes, Sweazy – yes and Pozgay – yes.

COMPILATION REPORT: The Council was e-mailed or carried a copy of CPA Beverly C. Whelan's "City of Bloomfield Compilation Report" for 2007-2008. Mays made a motion, duly seconded by Sweazy, to approve the report as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

CIVIC CENTER: Long brought to the Council an \$8,000 estimate for carpet, appliances, tables and chairs for the Civic Center. The City Clerk ascertained that the budget read the following: \$15,000 for operating (the Civic Center), \$30,000 for payment on the loan, \$20,000 for capital improvements for the City (which includes the Civic Center). Pozgay made a motion to allow the mayor a budget of up to \$14,000 to equip the Civic Center and purchase a better commercial grade of carpet that is warranted for the better of 15 to 20 years. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

RECYCLE TRAILER: Instead of placing the trailer on the Bloomfield Fertilize and Chemical Company lot the mayor relayed that the recycle trailer was taken to the City Park on Park Street. Future plans are to put the replacement trailer next to the garage on Depot Street across from City Hall.

NEW BUSINESS

MAYOR REPORT: The mayor reported that a Snyder Drive property owner emptied a trailer (mobile home) onto the city's right-of-way at the end of the drive. He said the city employees cleaned it up using bags, rakes, backhoe and city personnel. It was the consensus of the council that the owner is billed for all expenses in ridding the city of this rubbish.

CONCERNS OF THE COUNCIL

Gillis asked if the City could rid the Highway 48 bridge of the Mulberry tree that is encroaching on the Lyddane's Barber shop. The mayor relayed he would arrange to cut major brush from Simpson Creek. He informed the Council that he is presently pursuing the County to bush-hog Hinkle Creek at the McKay Avenue Bridge because it has a long arm, which would better do the job of clearing out brush.

Mays asked about the status of the cable franchise as people in Blazer Heights are now getting Bardstown Cable and Bloomfield citizens are asking why they don't have it. The mayor relayed that a proposal is being worked on to buy out the current franchise holder's contract.

Pozgay spoke of trash accumulation on Springfield Road next to the old mini-mart. The mayor said he would contact the property owners about cleanup.

ADJOURNMENT

Mays, duly seconded by Gillis, made a motion at 7:17 p.m. to adjourn. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

Ronnie Bobblett, Mayor

Jean M. Jury, City Clerk