

CITY OF BLOOMFIELD

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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; Henry Cobble, Rhonda Hagan, Johnathan Hagerman, Mark Mays, and Walter Pozgay. City Attorney Jim Willett was also present. Council Member Ann Agee, Police Chief Mike Cotton and Public Works Superintendent Ben Long were absent.

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

CONCERNS FROM THE PUBLIC

Headed by Dr. Bob Hendren a Veterans' Day observance is planned for **November 11th** at the Veterans' Memorial at the Bloomfield Park entrance at 11:00 a.m. All are encouraged to participate in hearing the names of the Nelson Countians that lost their lives in foreign wars. A meal at the Post #288 Legion Hall is to follow.

Bloomfield Proud representative Rhonda Hagan invited all to join in their last city "cleanup" weekend of the year on Sunday, **November 22.** All will meet in front of the Civic Center at 1:30 p.m. to begin the work.

The annual "Tree of Life" singing event is scheduled at the Bloomfield United Methodist Church on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, **December 4th, 5th, 6th and 11th, 12th, 13th.** Friday's presentation is at 7:00 p.m. while Saturday and Sundays are 5:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Tickets forms are located around town and in the *Kentucky Standard*. Bob Lugenbeal is once again the conductor of the group.

Jennifer Lyddane of Lyddane's Barber Shop is coordinating this year's light-up Bloomfield event on Saturday, **December 5** from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and calling it "Christmas in the Country". A \$5 photo will be taken of you (or your pet) with Santa, which includes a goody bag of candy and a ticket to make a homemade ornament. Santa will arrive in horse and buggy. Darrell Parks will have Bloomfield Elementary 2nd graders sing and Mark Monroe will have the Nelson County High School brass band play Christmas music. A Christmas booth is planned to sell holiday items. Hagerman and Mays volunteered to help out that night.

Representative of Bloomfield Community of Tomorrow Liz Gillis announced Sunday, **December 6,** from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. as the date and time for the Bloomfield House Tour. Tickets are \$10 and are available that day beginning 1:30 p.m. at the Bloomfield Civic Center at 155 Arnold Lane where one can also enjoy holiday refreshments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MAYOR'S REPORT: The mayor reminded the Council that he, Ben Long and Jean Jury will be attending a training November 17th to learn the process in executing and administrating the Safe Routes to School Grant \$230,000 city award.

UNSAFE STRUCTURES: The mayor explained the ongoing efforts to work with those that have been sent a second notice of non-compliance.

TE-21 SCENIC BEAUTIFICATION GRANT: The mayor informed the council of plans to meet with the Transportation Cabinet about installing a Cabinet-approved contemporary clock downtown at the Wells Building to use the balance of the \$36,186 grant with a \$9,046 city-match. Differing opinions ensued about the use of the grant, however no action was taken to deter the mayor's plans to proceed with the preliminary work toward a "scope of work" and "budget" for a clock installation. A letter was received from the Transportation Cabinet stating any money not used would go back to the State.

NEW BUSINESS

NEW HIRE: The mayor introduced the new hire Craig Werner to fill the Public Works Superintendent Trainee position that was advertised earlier this year. He is a graduate of Western Kentucky University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Applied Science. His first day on the job was November 2nd.

DECEMBER MEETING: The mayor announced plans to hold a special meeting in place of the December 14th regular meeting with plans to have a holiday party afterward at the Civic Center on Arnold Lane. The council will be notified once definite plans are made.

CONCERNS OF THE COUNCIL

Cobble reported that a dumpster at 128 Chaplin Road is blocking the sight of McKay Avenue residents entering onto the Chaplin Road.

Hagan, relayed messages from citizens about the sentimental value of the Dennis Estate Jewelry. Willett gave the website as www.theauctiongalleryonline.com that is cataloging the 500 to 700 pieces. He stated an assumed retail value of 6 to \$8,000.

Hagerman reiterated his concern about not receiving a bill from City Attorney Jim Willett for the past few years. He suggested a monthly bill would be appropriate in accordance with all the payables for the city.

Mays conveyed he is having no luck with the "Welcome" signs in regard to getting in touch with those who maintain them.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Cobble, seconded by Mays, to adjourn at 7:35.m. *Motion carried by unanimous decision.*

Ronnie Bobblett, Mayor

Jean M. Jury, City Clerk