

The regular meeting of the Bromley Council began at 6:00 P.M. with a pledge to the flag.

Officers answering to roll call: Mayor Denham, Attorney Vocke, Mike Kendall, Dianne Wartman, Nancy Kienker, Dave Radford, Tim Wartman and Gail Smith. All members are present.

Smith moves to accept the July 2020 minutes. Kendall seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

CITIZEN REPORT

Dan Elam, Moore Street, is a young teen who would like to help out throughout the City. Bob France, Public Works, may contact him if he is in need of some assistance.

PDS REPORT

The Mayor speaks to someone from PDS a couple of times a week. 240 Shelby continues to be a blight issue.

The Attorney stated that a City ordinance prohibits livestock within the City limits. Goats have been seen in town and they fall under that category. The owners at 500 Rohman will be notified.

Kendall reports that Dennis Gordon has retired from his position at PDS and the former City Administrator from Ft. Mitchell has taken his place.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

This report is available in the office for review.

The Chief reports that a vehicle with a broken windshield has been towed from 215 Shelby Street.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

This report is available in the office for review.

The Chief reports that a tree, near 225 Shelby Street, fell on two homes. His last report is that the tree has not been removed by the owner.

Smith reports issues with open burning in town. Per the Chief, no burning is allowed from May 1st. through September 30th. except for heat or the preparation of food.

Chief Steward stated that regulations regarding fire pits state that only items that burn clean are permitted in the pits and a water source must be nearby. He will send the list of regulations to Smith. The Mayor suggests that Bromley may want to obtain a copy of Ludlow's City ordinance pertaining to burn regulations.

Kendall reports that Chief Steward has received the Certificate of Need from the State. It has been copied and filed in our City office.

HALL COMMITTEE REPORT

Dianne reports that someone is coming to fix the patio fence on August 10th.

Dianne will obtain prices on the cost of putting a gate, in place of the chain, on the outside entry ramp in front of the building.

France asks about the issue with the trees behind the City building. Dianne did not obtain a bid for this because she assumed the removal of the tree was the responsibility of the property owner.

France has a quote from someone who will remove the tree and cut back all of the honeysuckle vines. (\$1,200.00 verbal bid to do the whole thing). Smith stated that the removal of the tree is not the City's responsibility. That responsibility falls on the owner of the property.

Tim asks if the City can cut the tree down below the fence in the rear of the building.

France stated that the limbs of the tree are resting on our roof. He stated that the trunk of the tree angles towards 227 Shelby Street, which is in foreclosure and should be the City's responsibility. Kendall suggests that we notify the property owner and alert them to the possibility that the tree could fall again and they are responsible. Our Attorney stated that the property owner is an LLC out of Newport Beach, California. He has sent letters to their agent in Dayton, Ohio. He can send another letter asking them to remove the tree as it is doing damage to our building.

Smith asks if we can put a lien on the property if we have the tree removed.

The Mayor suggests that we remove the tree for safety purposes. The Attorney stated that this can be done if there is a legitimate safety issue.

The Mayor reports another tree issue at the corner of Kenton and Steve Tanner. There are huge branches that, sooner or later, are going to fall.

Smith read a passage from the ordinance pertaining to trees, which basically states that all owners are to maintain trees, shrubs and vegetation. Violations are to be reported the Building and Zoning Administrator who is to notify the owner who will be given a reasonable time to bring the issue into conformity. If the owner takes no action they are to be cited to the City for code violation of an ordinance and the City can take any reasonable action to see that they come into conformity.

The Mayor has spoken to PDS and they will not cite or force any company to do any work if they refuse due to Covid-19. PDS can, however, post a notification on the property or mail notifications to the property owner when these types of issues arise.

The Attorney will send a letter to the owner of 231 Shelby and hope that they will remove the tree. He will inform them that the City will remove the tree if they will not do it. The owners may tell the City to go ahead and have the work done.

ROAD AND LIGHT REPORT

Radford has the speed monitoring report which is available in the office for review. The monitor shows approximately 80 vehicles passing by within the normal speed-limit range. The monitor was moved from Moore Street to Highwater and Bromley/Crescent Spring Roads.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

France has cut grass at 1 Pike, 305 Main and the alley on Hayward.

NO LICENSE REPORT

ATTORNEY REPORT

The Attorney will send the letter to the LLC of 231 Shelby Street.

The Attorney has sent the paperwork to the State regarding HB 413.

The contract has been signed with American Legal Publishing regarding the codification of our ordinances (Smith and Dianne reviewed the ordinances and followed up with our Attorney).

The Attorney will pursue 1 Pike Street, as the owner of the property is now deceased.

The Attorney reports that the Combs property at 105 Pike is ready and several people are interested in purchasing this property.

The Attorney will know the status on 11 Lake Street soon. Calls continue to come in regarding the condition of this property.

There was a motion pending with the Judge regarding 227 Shelby Street. Nobody bid on the property so the lien goes to the lien holders (City of Bromley and Kenton County) and the statute states that they "shall" take ownership of this property. Our Attorney will refile the paperwork on this property.

The Attorney has received pictures of 240 Shelby from Smith. PDS has the pictures and the Attorney will continue to pursue this matter.

WAYS AND MEANS REPORT

Our financial advisors have brought to Smith's attention that there may be money available from the Federal Government in regards to Covid-19 (\$57,309). This matter is being pursued. \$51,000.00 has already been spent from our new budget beginning July 1st. 2020. We have not received any money from B/P as yet. Money Market funds can be used if needed.

PARK AND PLAYGROUND REPORT

Tim has had no contact with the company who is to do work at our park. They are shut down and will not answer phone calls.

NO INSURANCE AND GRANT REPORT

Kienker asks that chairpersons drop their masks, in the future, while giving their report.

NO MAYOR REPORT

Smith moves to go into executive session to discuss potential litigation regarding the Brownfield property and the Bromley Fire Dept. Kienker seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

The regular meeting reopened at this time.

Smith moved to allow the Attorney to pursue legal action regarding the matter discussed in the executive session. Tim seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

Smith moves to accept all committee reports. Tim seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Kendall stated that they are working hard to get the wires removed from the pole in front of 305 Main Street. He signed the permit for construction two weeks ago (Main Street Project).

NEW BUSINESS

Kienker brought up Halloween hours. No one has heard anything about this event. There will be no candy distributed at the City Building.

NO COMMUNICATIONS

BILLS

Smith moves to pay the bills. Kendall seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

Radford moves to adjourn. Dianne seconds. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 P.M.

MAYOR _____ CLERK _____

