

The regular meeting of the Bromley Council began at 6:30 p.m. with a pledge to the flag.

Officers answering to roll call: Gail Smith, Mike Denham, Rob Gardiner (Rob), Mayor Radford, Dan Gardiner (Dan), Patty Grimes and Donnie Jobe.

The minutes from the August meeting were approved on a motion made by Smith with a second by Jobe. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

BUILDING INSPECTOR REPORT

Schutzman reports that approximately \$5,600.00 was received from CEB issues at 1753 Highwater Road. There is still a balance of \$4,000.00 from this money. Schutzman has been paid his fees for several years of service related to this property. The Attorney will submit a bill to have the lien released at this location.

Schutzman has been notified about a tree on Moore Street and concerns from Kenton County regarding the safety of the children on the school bus due to the tree situation. Per Schutzman, pieces of the tree are falling into the street. Schutzman has cut some of the tree that overhangs the street, but he stated that the tree is dead and needs to be removed. As it is overhanging into the street and limbs continue to break off it becomes a City problem. The Mayor will pursue the removal of this hollow tree and CEB funds may be used to pay for this to be done.

Schutzman is working on the installation of a bathroom facility for the Thomas' Garage business on Pike Street. Denham reports that the owner could not connect into the lateral in the past and there is an odor problem.

POLICE REPORT

The Park Hills Police (PHP) report is available in the office for review for the months of July and August. Out of 421 calls for July, 70 were dispatched. One arrest was made. There were 295 business checks and several vacation watches. Investigations were made on a stolen quad and a stolen ipod.

Out of 373 calls for August, 47 were dispatched. Six of the calls have reports filed on them. 298 business checks were made and 8 personal properties were checked.

Jobe thanked the Chief for responding to a squad run.

Chief Stanley reports that within the first week on duty for Bromley PHP handled three DOAs within several hours of one another. They did this with no outside assistance. All went well.

Bromley accounts for about 1/3 of the calls made for Park Hills.

Per Grimes, PHP responded to an assault with no assistance from Ludlow Police Department. The Chief concurred with this. He and his Mayor have spoken with Ludlow officials with no agreeable solution coming out of the meeting. Villa Hills is assisting PHP. There are no hard feelings between the two Police departments.

Chief Stanley will be sent information regarding the cameras at the park.

Rob will put email and phone information in the local newspaper regarding PHP and the Chief will provide us with magnets for citizens who come into the office.

Persons who wish to contest citations will be instructed to go to PHP. Our office will void no citations.

The Attorney will send parking ordinance information to PHP.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT/ALS

The fire department report is available in the office for review.

Grimes met with Ron from Rural Metro (RM), Jobe and Chief Weaver. The Mayor also attended. Stan is present tonight representing RM. Grimes made minor changes to the proposed contract, which have already been amended. She still has a problem with the phrases "when available" and "cannot guarantee" and wanted to know if we had to pay them for calls to which they were unable to respond. Grimes reported that we would still have a contract with Erlanger for backup and 98 would respond when 1083 could not. Stan will find out if this agreement will still be enforced if we go with RM for Advanced Life Support (ALS). Grimes stated that we would lose the call totally for ALS if Ludlow is called. They will not respond, so the best scenario is to use Erlanger for backup. As Chairman of this committee Grimes will recommend that Bromley go with RM for ALS if we get the answers that we want, and Bromley Fire Department (BFD) will work directly with RM.

Grimes recommended that the City pay the same monthly fee that is being paid currently to RM. The total fee would amount to \$8,000.00. As we are currently in a contract with RM until October the contract would be based on a nine-month period and the annual fee would be adjusted accordingly. Rob and Dan will make an addendum to the current BFD contract. The City will pay the fee to BFD who will be in charge of paying monthly fees to RM for ALS services.

Smith moves that the City proceed with the contract with RM. Dan seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

Grimes stated that the biggest concern before another contract is negotiated is to see how many calls are missed. She also informed Council that Crescent Springs is interested in bidding for ALS services next year with the same basic stipulations. Rates are to be based on CPI figures.

CITIZEN REPORT

Charlie Foulks, Bromley Road, stated that in July he was called into the office by the Mayor regarding some alleged flirtatious remarks that he made to the Treasurer. He stated that this is not true. He did, however, 3-4 years ago sit on her lap. The Mayor did not pursue the "lap" issue as it occurred prior to his taking office. As Foulks did not get to view an email sent regarding this matter he requests that the Mayor bring the email to the October Council meeting and read it out loud and give him the opportunity to defend himself. Foulks stated that he is no longer permitted to go into the Treasurer's office. He feels that no other person who is not bonded should be allowed in the office either. The Mayor would prefer that personal matters not be discussed at Council meetings. His job is to address such matters if brought to his attention. The Mayor and Foulks will discuss this matter further and the Mayor will bring the letter to the next meeting if Foulks wishes him to do so.

Nancy Kienker, owner of Simpler Times, would like a license to sell beer at 11:00 a.m. on Sundays for tailgaters. The Attorney will look into this matter. He knows that other cities allow this, but he is not sure that KRS allows for the sale of beer prior to 1:00 p.m. on Sunday. He also stated that a special Sunday drink license is required in the amount of \$300.00 per year (per the Attorney, all licenses expire on June 30th). An emergency ordinance reading cannot be allowed as there is no emergency situation involved. The Attorney will not prepare an ordinance that KRS does not allow. He will continue to pursue this matter.

The Attorney read Ordinance 9-1-12 for the first time. This ordinance allows for the sale of beer at 11:00 a.m. on Sundays (beer, liquor and/or wine by the drink). Discussion: Denham was told by the Attorney that we could not just make a motion to allow Ms. Kienker to sell beer at 11 a.m. on Sunday. If the ABC Board comes along and does an inspection Bromley could get into trouble.

Simpler Times has had no criminal mischief calls. The only two calls made were in regards to vehicle vandalism.

Grimes moves to accept the first reading of Ordinance 9-1-12 and to waive the Sunday license fee until July of next year. Denham seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

HALL COMMITTEE

Dan reports that the hall is to be rented on either the 29th. or 30th. of this month. The Fire Chief reports some leakage in the bay is still occurring during heavy rains. Dan will pursue. Denham has a receipt for repairs made to the A.C.

ROAD AND LIGHT COMMITTEE

Denham will pursue some street lights that are not working. Mark Rodgers is painting some curbs and crosswalks. Denham is looking into prices for sealing cracks in the streets. Smith reports that, as the City is responsible for the cleaning of catch basins, there is a big problem on Steve Tanner. Public Works will pursue this matter with the prisoners. The Mayor has contacted the State about crosswalk painting on Pike Street. The County will do no work on Main Street as it is not on their map. The Mayor will get the paperwork that states that work would be done on Main Street by Kenton County. Smith wanted to check with our insurance (KLC) about the possibility of repairing sidewalks in the City. Smith is aware that the sidewalk is the responsibility of the property owner but wondered if the City could not repair some, if the owner is not willing to do so, and place a lien on the property for expenses incurred by the City. Denham will get prices for replacing sections of bad sidewalk. Water is still lying in spots on Main Street. The Contractor stated that they repaired it the best way that they could. There will still be some wet spots following a heavy rain. The Attorney stated that the City can send letters to citizens regarding bad sidewalks telling them that there is a hazardous situation (a liability). If no repair is made by the owner, the City will do the work and put a lien on the property. The bulk of the problem lies with rental properties. Per Grimes, the owner of the property at Main and Moore claims that the grass on the Main Street side of the property is not his responsibility and he is not going to cut it. Schutzman has sent violation notification to this person. Denham will get some gravel for the drain at this location tomorrow.

ATTORNEY REPORT

The Attorney has sent a letter to the Finance Cabinet regarding HB413 funds and all is well regarding this matter. The Attorney has sent a letter to Timmy Traft regarding the rental of our property on Shelby Street. He has had no response. He will pursue this matter. The Attorney has prepared a resolution regarding County dispatch. The County is requesting that all cities remove their 911 fees. County will bill a flat fee for this service to be placed on the tax bills for this year. Smith wondered how County is permitted to charge a flat fee for services when we had to charge an ad valorem fee for services that were provided. The Attorney read Resolution 9-1-12 showing Bromley's desire to have Kenton County Communications Board provide dispatch services to our city. Smith moves to accept this reading. Grimes seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried. The Attorney filed paperwork on the Baker, Hildebrant and NuWay properties. All have filed answers. These are taking time as the issues are only on the docket one day each month. Attorneys have been chastised for the way the filing issues are being handled. He will continue to pursue this matter.

The Mayor reported that the next Mayor's meeting will be held at the Elsmere Senior Center on September 15th. Bromley will host the December 15th. meeting which will be held at NKADD. Gabrielle Summe or a staff member will attend our October meeting to answer questions regarding tax collection, etc.

WAYS AND MEANS

Smith discussed current revenue amounts (treasurer's report available in the office for review). Smith suggests that all delinquent tax bill owners be sent a letter suggesting that they pay all delinquencies within ninety days and no penalties or interest will be charged. She stated that we have approximately \$8,000.00 in delinquent tax bills from prior years. The Attorney feels that part payments, installments, etc. is a bad thing to start. Concessions were not made for people in the past and this could cause an issue, plus, statutes and our ordinance do not allow for this to be done. The Attorney pursues delinquencies by sending letters to the property owners. Smith will meet with the Treasurer regarding delinquencies. She may need to contact the Auditor as well. Currently we collect about 75% of all tax bills. Those who pay their taxes are also paying for trash, fire, etc. for those who do not pay their tax bills. The Attorney stated that KRS says that we cannot collect a tax bills that is five years old. Smith stated that KLC says it is eleven years. The \$16,000.00 has been paid back to the General Fund from the Road Fund for the payment of the loan.

PARK AND PLAYGROUND

Jobe left the meeting for a fire call. Grimes moves that Jobe be given an additional \$300.00 to cover the next several months for the "movie in the park" program. Smith seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried. Jobe returned to the meeting and reported that the swings have been installed. The prisoners will assist Rodgers at the park. It was suggested that a commercial-grade weed eater be purchased for next season. Jobe will pursue this matter. The railroad ties need to be removed. A nail is sticking out and is dangerous. Jobe would like to find another way to keep the mulch in this area. The Mayor will pursue this matter with Kenton County to see if any park funding is available as mulch can be expensive. Jobe will also pursue this matter.

LICENSE REPORT

A spreadsheet containing sixty pages of Countywide business listings is available in the office for review. Bromley does get a percentage of all licenses sold countywide. Rob will get an updated list of the rental properties prior to next month's meeting. We have about 40% that are paid at this time.

INSURANCE AND GRANTS

The policy is up for renewal. The Clerk will be completing some paperwork for KLC. The Mayor reported that the grant application for the River Road sewer project has been sent to the State. He and some others walked the property sites. There will be thirty-one properties involved. Tim Bailey is speaking to a German company regarding septic systems. Persons on Hayward will not qualify for a septic system as their properties do not have enough acreage. Mr. Bailey has also met with Arnold Simpson. A date for the next public hearing regarding this project will be published in the paper and on the website.

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

NEWSPAPER AND WEBSITE

Movies in the park, PHP information, Halloween hours (Halloween evening: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.), and the public hearing, will all be placed in the local newspaper.

Greg Rechten has all council meeting minutes but does not have all CEB minutes for the website.

The movie in the park will be held this week and in two weeks from Friday.

There should be no conflict of interest if Greg Rechten gets elected to Council and maintains the website for the City as there are no fees involved. The website will allow businesses to advertise for \$5.00 per month or \$50.00 for a year.

SECOND CITIZEN REPORT

No input

OLD BUSINESS

Jobe asked what is being done at the Devon Auto business on Pike and Pleasant. Schutzman has signed the license permit for a dealership. The owner is still planning on doing some paving work and hanging flowers. The interior is almost completed. The vehicle sales are mostly done over the internet. The owner is trying to get Thomas' Garage to clean up his side of the street.

NEW BUSINESS AND COMMUNICATIONS

None

BILLS

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

Smith moves to adjourn and Rob seconds. The meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

MAYOR _____

CLERK _____