

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, Tim Wartman, Dixie Meyer, Mayor Jobe, Charlie Foulks, Nancy Kienker and Bob France. All members are present.

MINUTES

Foulks questioned the minutes stating that the figure mentioned last month as the fee from B/P Oil was \$126,000.00. The minutes say \$136,000.00. Smith and Meyer both remember that \$136,000.00 was the amount quoted at the August meeting. Smith moves to accept the minutes. Kienker seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

NO CITIZEN INPUT AT THIS TIME

The Mayor deviated from the regular order of business to allow Joe Shriver, from the Kenton County Judge's office, along with Tommy Thompson, the new dispatch director, to address Council.

Mr. Shriver is present to give an update on the County's Radio System Project which began in early 2015. The update would upgrade the current system to 800 Mhz.

The County has contacted Trott Communication Group out of Texas (which is an independent engineering consultant not associated with any vendor) to assist them. Trott discovered that seven of the nine radio components would be obsolete by 2018. County has been going to different vendors for parts to keep the current radio system operating. List pricing to keep and upgrade the analog system is \$5,000,000.00 and to migrate to a digital platform is \$5,600,000.00. Given the difference in the cost they feel that it is imperative to improve to the digital platform using the existing tower sites.

(Paperwork regarding this matter is available in the office for review). Quite a few surrounding cities have already converted to the digital system. In the meantime, Boone County was working with another consulting firm and being given the same information so they and Campbell County have approached Kenton County asking them to slow down their process allowing them to catch up and possibly work together towards a joint-system project (get a bid for the entire system as one group working together). Mr. Shriver is happy to inform Council that the other counties have caught up and they feel that by the first of October they can begin working on the project together covering the three counties. This will make it easier to bid and get better pricing. The vendors will be given tower locations and can determine which avenues to follow in order to get the best coverage for all three counties. They want 95% out-of-car coverage.

Mr. Shriver stated that one of the best tower locations is located at the Children's Home in Devou Park. The counties intend purchasing high-end, middle-grade and economical units for their subscribers. They believe that they can get better prices by following this procedure. Mayor Jobe stated that the new radios would be more efficient. Their portables now have poor reception.

Per Mr. Shriver, analog gets a static-like signal. Digital would be crystal-clear, like digital TV.

Analog radios will not work with the digital system. Mayor Jobe stated that the Fire Chief's Association will be working on obtaining grant funding for the purchase of the new radios.

A road show demonstration will take place on September 19th. at the Edgewood Senior Center between the hours of 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

The new system affects dispatch receiving of all calls. Unfortunately, it has nothing to do with any cell coverage where cell phones are being used to report a 911 call.

BUILDING INSPECTOR REPORT

Schutzman stated that the Code Enforcement Board (CEB) met this evening.

An updated list of properties having liens was distributed (available in the office for review).

Two new liens have been filed.

Schutzman reported that the State Legislator has passed HB422. Schutzman will meet with the Attorney regarding this matter to make sure that we are in compliance. Current rules state that all people associated with a property must be notified. This is hard to do because all parties involved may not be able to be contacted or they just do not respond and, therefore, we cannot get a judgment. HB422 will improve this process removing some of the restrictions (regular mail in place of certified mail can be used). The Attorney stated that his understanding of the House Bill is that it puts the Code Enforcement lien one step below the tax lien but one step above the first mortgage if you go through the proper notice channels in notifying the mortgage companies which helps to speed up the process.

Schutzman stated that he met with the ISO agent to go over our insurance and make sure that all criteria had been met. He thanked the Clerk for her assistance. The only paperwork that could not be found was in regards to updated building codes (no update since 1997). He has given an ordinance update to the Attorney for preparation which would be a perpetual adoption of the Kentucky Building Codes. This helps to keep the cost of insurance down. The Attorney did not believe that we would have found the current ordinance in the Code of Ordinances.

Schutzman stated that dumpsters will be seen at 214 Pleasant, 509 Main and 231 Pike. We are in the process of cleaning up the outsides of the properties. He is working on removal of the gas lines with the utility company. After this is completed, the City must try to obtain bids from three companies to tear down the properties after which time the City can approve to have this done in-house.

POLICE REPORT

This report is available in the office for review.

Vacation house checks have increased as well as traffic stops.

Park Hills Police (PHP) will host a "meet the police" on Saturday, Sept. 17, 2016 from 9 a.m. -11 a.m.

Kienker has asked that PHP talk to children who ride their bikes in the street. A child rode a bicycle in front of her car. There were three cars involved. The Chief will ask that his officers pay more attention to this matter.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

This report is available in the office for review.

It was reported that this has been a busy month just for our department with 23 runs. There are, currently, no numbers for calls made by Crescent Springs.

A meeting will be scheduled to discuss ALS services currently being provided by Crescent Villa Fire Authority (CVFA). There are certain matters of concern that Smith would like to have addressed. She feels that we should not have to pay full cost for a run if a citizen refuses the service. Current fees for ALS services to Bromley are supposed to be \$30,000 per year (was prorated this year at a cost of \$25,000) and each run charge is \$600.00.

Foulks will give a copy of a bill that he received from CVFA to the Mayor. It is believed that he should not have to pay this bill as he pays for services through Bromley as a tax-paying citizen. The Mayor said that Medicare pushes for the departments, through their billing companies, to bill for services because they do not want to pay.

France asked if we are obligated to sign a contract with CVFA. He was told that we are not. It was believed that the current Council would be the ones to make a decision in regards to ALS. Meyer, Kienker, and other Council members feel that we should see what other departments are willing to offer for this service.

HALL COMMITTEE REPORT

Foulks was told that no bids have been requested to repair the remainder of the roof. Per the Mayor, the new section of roof has been leaking and the roofer is trying to determine the source of the leak.

ROAD AND LIGHT REPORT

France asked if a parking spot for a handicapped person can be used only by the individual who paid for the spot. Chief Stanley stated that anyone with a sticker for the handicapped can use the spot. France will pursue the request for a handicapped parking spot at 221 Boone Street using new regulations based on the updated ordinance regarding this matter.

ATTORNEY REPORT

The paperwork in regards to HB 413 has been sent to the State (regarding Police funding). The Attorney will follow up on the agreement recently made with SD1 so that our office has a signed copy of the agreement. The final judgment on 509 Main is completed. We should receive a check after a thirty-day period for the final taxes and CEB liens along with administrative and maintenance fees. (It could be \$7,500-\$8,000). There was a CEB lien in the amount of \$3,000, per the Attorney.

WAYS AND MEANS REPORT

The Attorney informed Smith that he has made a "reasonable request" to Mr. Reynolds in regards to making the final payment on his trailer tax. Mr. Vocke has received no response. Darnell Dupree is present in regards to his trailer tax (607-0 BCS Rd.). He stated that he has never received any tax bill for his property. Others in the trailer park have made the same claim (are not present to verify). Smith has added the delinquent tax bills and removed all Attorney \$25.00 fees. The amount due is \$274.34. Council has agreed to allow Mr. Dupree to make two installment payments to see that the bill is paid in full. The Attorney stated that the City can agree to "no further action" if this tax bill is paid in full by a certain date. Smith will prepare an amended budget now that all premium insurance fees are paid to date. The Audit should begin in October for the 2015-2016 fiscal year. We have revenues in the amount of \$159,000 and expenses in the amount of \$120,000. A separate checking account has been set up for the Main Street Project. Until the checks arrive the General Fund is being used and will be reimbursed. Kienker was informed that we can only submit bills every 30 days to the State in regards to the project.

PARK AND LICENSE COMMITTEES-NO REPORT

INSURANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Kienker is working with KLC to straighten out some matters. KLC currently has the Public Works person insured under an incorrect category which causes higher premiums to be charged due to higher risks for the employee. KLC also has a new agent that Kienker is working with at the present time.

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

OLD BUSINESS

Meyer asks the status on repair work to the City entry signs which are in bad condition. The Mayor reports that the sign on Bromley Road is waterlogged and falling apart so cannot be repainted. Mayor Jobe said that new signs must meet break-away standards. Meyer will check pricing for four new entry signs as well as the two signs attached to the City building.

NEW BUSINESS

Smith would like to have bid proposals for surplus property owned by the City. Among the items are: the street sweeper, the zero-turn at the park, a bicycle in the office, as well as the old street-name signs. The Mayor suggested that the street signs be sold in bulk as one item. Meyer stated that she has heard that some citizens would like to purchase individual street signs. The Mayor has no objection, in this case, for individual bidding on the signs.

The Attorney stated that Council can declare the street signs to be surplus property and set a minimum-bid price. The Mayor suggests that bids be put out for two weeks and mailed to the City building to be opened at the October 5, 2016 Council meeting with one bid per envelope.

Smith would like for all Council members to review the ordinance in regards to new trees being the responsibility of the City and old trees being the home-owner's responsibility. She would like the matter to be discussed at the meeting on October 5th.

NO COMMUNICATIONS

BILLS

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

Meyer moves to adjourn. Smith seconds. The meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

MAYOR _____

CLERK _____

