

The Bromley Council meeting began with a call to order at 6:30 p.m.

Hamant moved to allow Smith to officiate due to the absence of Mayor Jobe. Denham seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

The meeting began with a pledge to the flag.

Roll call: Mike Kendall, Larry Hamant, Nancy Kienker, Mayor Jobe is absent, Mike Denham, Tim Wartman and Gail Smith.

The minutes were amended to read that the Bromley Fire Department (BFD) is a corporation, not a limited-liability corporation. Denham moves to accept the minutes with the change. Kienker seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

CITIZEN REPORT

Raymond Tucker, 328 Shelby, stated that he has cleaned up his property and asks that Council consider forgiving the lien. The Attorney informed him that he has to submit a written application to Council, per ordinance. An application will be sent to Mr. Tucker regarding this matter. The Clerk will also check the PVA description of 328 Shelby for Mr. Tucker. Smith informed Mr. Tucker that he cannot park on the gravel driveway. It needs to be paved. Mr. Tucker does not have funds to pave his driveway at this time. Kienker thanked Mr. Tucker for showing good faith by trying to come into compliance.

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Joe Schutzman has resigned as Building and Zoning Administrator, effective September 4, 2017. Smith stated that John Lawson, Bromley/Crescent Springs Road, has submitted a resume for the part-time Building Inspector position as advertised (two weekends running). When Schutzman resigned the ad was changed from part-time building inspector to read "building inspector". Smith does not believe that Mr. Lawson is qualified enough to fill the position. Denham stated that we may have to go with Planning and Development Services (PDS). Denham further stated that by doing so the City will have no leverage as it does now. The Attorney stated that the current ordinance allows the Council to have some leverage. PDS may not allow this. Kendall moves that the Mayor set up a special meeting with PDS. Denham seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried. Schutzman has submitted an invoice in the amount of \$28,460.00 for services rendered over his years of service to Bromley. Smith moves that the City not deny this request but ask for detailed documentation to support the amount requested. Denham seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried. Attorney Vocke will send a certified letter to Schutzman requesting the documentation. When all is settled in regards to this matter Smith suggests that Schutzman be asked to submit a letter releasing the City of Bromley from any further indebtedness. The Mayor will be asked to submit Schutzman's letter of resignation to the office so that it can be filed properly. Kienker stated that the City has lost a lot of history and knowledge due to Schutzman's resignation. Smith agrees. Kienker suggests that the City might want to approach Schutzman and ask that he remain in this position by contract this time. The Attorney felt that Schutzman did not leave the position under bad terms and he may agree to provide his services through the interim period if nothing else.

Kendall suggests that the Council not pursue talks with Schutzman until the matter of his \$28,460.00 invoice is settled. The Attorney will pursue this matter with Schutzman and inform Council immediately in regards to this matter.

In the meantime, Smith will pursue setting up a special meeting with PDS. Smith also suggests that Schutzman's salary for September be prorated.

POLICE REPORT

This report is available in the office for review.

Chief Stanley feels that the mix up with the guardrail report is due to the fact that the call came over as a vehicle hitting a "telephone pole". He continues to pursue this matter with the State.

Park Hills Police (PHP) will step up patrolling on Bromley/Crescent Spring Road due to complaints regarding speeding. Chief Stanley can install a portable speed indicator to assist.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

This report is available in the office for review.

Denham is still requesting that the contract between the City and Crescent/Villa Fire Authority (CVFA) be amended to read that if and when this contract ends the territory being covered by CVFA revert back to the City of Bromley. Smith is pursuing this matter with Scott Ringo, who feels that there is no problem with this amendment being made. Smith said that they are waiting to see how the lease language reads and they will pursue the matter from that point.

HALL COMMITTEE

Hamant reports "progress".

Denham stated that the light in the Council room has been repaired.

Hamant will pursue the purchase of three new chairs for the Council chambers in line with his budget.

ROAD AND LIGHT

Denham reports that Bob France, Public Works, has been attempting, unsuccessfully, to find a blacktop company to do work for Bromley.

France was going to ask Paul Bledsoe for an estimate to do some curb work. Smith suggests that France get more than one quote for this work in order to have a price comparison.

Denham and France have been pursuing the possibility of "no parking" signs in locations where school buses have difficulty making turns from one street to another. Smith stated that there is still a problem at Rohman and Boone. France can paint the curbs at this location to see if this will help. He asks that Council consider purchasing a paint sprayer at a cost of, approximately, \$1,500.00.

Smith was informed that the curb work at Steve Tanner and Moore is fine. The problem is with the blacktop and is due to the removal of the trees at this location.

France will contact the City of Ludlow to see how they dealt with the trolley tracks (the tracks in Bromley on Oak Street are becoming more visible).

Smith suggests that the 146 feet of road owned by the City (from Rohman and on to Moore), be turned over to the home owners now that the drainage problem has been resolved (France stated that there is still some runoff at this location). The Attorney stated that the City can turn the 146 feet over to property owners (who can refuse to accept their portion of the property) but an ordinance has to be drawn up first and civil action has to be filed with the court.

Smith moves that the City attempt to close the 146 feet off of Rohman on Moore. Denham seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

ATTORNEY REPORT

The Attorney will not do a second reading of Ordinance 8-1-17 as it pertains to the hiring of a part-time assistant for the Building and Zoning Administrator.

The Attorney read a summary of Ordinance 9-1-17 for the first time. This ordinance pertains to the website and lien notification. Smith moves to accept this reading. Kienker seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

The Attorney will initiate foreclosure proceedings on 404 River Road, 241 Shelby and 239 Pike. Smith moves to allow the Attorney to pursue this matter. Denham seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried. The Gilbert property on River Road is already in foreclosure.

NO MAYOR REPORT

WAYS AND MEANS

Income for the month: \$176,000.00. Expenses: \$74,000.00. Smith has transferred \$60,000.00 from a C.D. into the General Fund. Funds may be transferred into the Main Street Project as needed.

Road fund: \$21,939.00. Municipal Aid: \$2,700.00.

PARK AND PLAYGROUND

The streaked area on the paint at the park garage building will be repainted at no cost to the City. It was felt that the streaking may have been caused by the second coat of paint being applied too soon.

Smith gave a shout out to France for the very detailed inventory list on the park garage contents that was provided for the City files. The list will be updated by France as needed.

Smith would like to have a picture put in the paper with a thanks to Home Builders who built the addition to the park garage at no charge to the City (possibly a sign can be put up on the building regarding this matter).

INSURANCE AND GRANTS

Kienker has updated and faxed a list for Worker's Compensation to KLC, removing the Attorney from this list as discussed.

Smith has discussed, with the Attorney, bond issues regarding employees and others who may be involved with the distribution of funds. The bond amount will be the amount of cash times two.

Kienker will pursue this matter through KLC.

Kienker moves to accept all committee reports. Kendall seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Kendall reports that Duke Energy has the design completed for the Main Street Project (MSP) which has to be reviewed by their department. They will develop a contract including the cost involved.

Kendall is in touch weekly with Berling Engineering.

Kienker and Kendall have been meeting with Patricia Wingo, Director of Kenton County Economic Services. She is to do an evaluation of our City. This service is provided at no charge. She will contact and speak with people, including Dennis Elrod (old school building) to discuss those types of issues and help to clean up properties. She will look for any possible developable areas in Bromley. She was

excited that B/P was located in Bromley and will see if they have any Community projects in the works. Kienker was informed that, in the past, B/P has contributed \$5,000 towards a piece of playground equipment, which was featured in the B/P news, and helped with expenses on the swing set and a chain-link fence in the park as well. Ms. Wingo was the City Administrator for Florence and has quite a resume.

Denham asks about the money that Mayor Jobe owes to the City. Smith felt that this was part of the investigation and should not be discussed.

Keyhole Eatery is aware that they have to have a beer license from the City.

Shane Hamant quoted a price of \$750.00 for seed, straw and a final grading at the 509 Main Street location. Kendall would like to supervise this project but suggests some grading, but not a final grading, be done. Denham moves to allow Smith to spend up to \$1,200.00 to make the 509 Main Street location presentable. Kendall seconds. Roll call: 4 ayes. Wartman votes no. Hamant abstains. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Smith suggests that all Council members utilize their City email addresses. If they use personal email addresses in regards to City business the emails can be used for open records requests.

KLC has asked Kendall to request our Council to adopt a Resolution in support of CERF (County Employees Retirement Fund).

The Attorney read Resolution 9-1-17 (support of the County Employees Retirement Funding System). Smith moves to accept this Resolution. Denham seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

NO COMMUNICATIONS

BILLS

Denham moves to pay the bills. Wartman seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

Danham moves to adjourn. Kendall seconds. The meeting adjourned at 7:42 P.M.

Mayor _____

Clerk _____

