

## CITY OF BROMLEY MINUTES

Wednesday July 13, 2022-6:00 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Bromley, Kentucky, met in regular session on Wednesday, July 13, 2022 at 6:00 P.M with the meeting beginning with a pledge to the flag and Mayor Denham presiding.

### CALL TO ORDER

- Roll call was taken and the following members were present: Mike Kendall, Tim Wartman, Diane Wartman, Matt Wartman, Reagan France and Dave Radford.
- Staff present were: Chief of Police Cody Stanley; Public Works Bob France; City Clerk Terri Stahl; City Attorney Kim Vocke, and Ludlow Fire Chief Mike Steward.

### Approval of Minutes

- Mayor Denham asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2022 regular meeting and the minutes of the June 29, 2022 Special Meeting. Tim Wartman motioned to approve the minutes with a second by Mike Kendall. All members present voted yes.

### CITIZENS

- Gail Smith questioned the salary increases in the budget and stated the Council is responsible for setting compensation. Kim Vocke stated that when the council approves the budget and the increases are in the budget then they are setting the compensation with their approval of the budget. She also questioned the \$6,500 budget for lawn maintenance. Further discussion ensued with an explanation by Mike Kendall. Discussion took place on the \$2,000 allocated to flags at the memorial. She indicated that funds from September 19, 2019 were for maintenance only because it is a restricted fund and questioned the use of that line item for purchase of new flags. Mike Kendall suggested a motion to take care of the issue. She further questioned if the city had been in contact with American Legal regarding the addition of ordinances and the city clerk responded that they have been contacted. She further commented on the community action grant for utility assistance and requested a status on the funds. No information has been received. She questioned the removal of the backstop and if it was listed as city surplus. Tim Wartman responded that it was not worth anything. She also questioned the purchase of brackets and discussion ensued with Mike Kendall communicating when banners would be placed. Discussion ensued on the flooding on Shelby Street that was communicated in the newsletter and KLC funding on resurfacing the city.
- Keith Williams questioned if the city is developing anything on 509 Main Street. Discussion ensued on work with SD1. No plans with property as of yet. Keith Williams questioned concrete work done on the property and was directed to SD1 since they required it for work they were doing and actually had the work done. Feasibility study being done which includes possibilities with this property but nothing has been decided and the project has been shelved for now. Keith questioned if ARPA funds could be used for road improvements and the response by Mike Kendall was yes. He further questioned the need and cost for improvements at the park and cost of utilities and use of facilities and maintenance. Discussion ensued as to management and maintenance of the new park facilities. Questioned the city's budget of \$150k for the park project. It was explained to him that there is a \$75k grant that will cover the concession, restrooms and pavilion by the basketball court. The basketball court is separate and was agreed upon by council and should be around \$49k. The goal is to encourage families to be interested

in the city's park. Discussion ensued on city's goal for improving the park. The need to improve the roads was discussed and the plan and cost of road improvement was discussed.

- Linda Banks questioned the Rumpke price increase and Rumpke referred her to the city. She feels she shouldn't have to pay the same as everyone else who has more garbage than her as she only has half a can. She questioned if they offered a senior discount. It was explained to her that the entire Rumpke bill was divided between the parcels of the city and it is established based on the number of units. Mike Denham communicated that the city is working on reducing the cost by joining the negotiations of other communities such as Villa Hills and Ludlow but nothing can be promised with the rising cost of fuel and the current state of the economy. She further commented on the lack of street lights on her street. Dave Radford reaching out to Duke to get an estimate on replacing street lights with solar lights. Mike Kendall referenced a possible luminary study performed by Duke to indicate which areas of the city need more light.

### **PDS**

- Matthew Wartman discussed 314 Pike Street which has violations/liens from June of last year and July of last year and currently getting issued violations. Liens are over a year old and active violations so it meets the city's foreclosure requirements. Further discussion on 308 Pike Street which has violations/liens from August of last year and January of this year and currently getting citations from PDS. It was communicated that 312 Pike Street has the same issue which is August and January violations/liens and still getting PDS fines. Next step is letter regarding foreclosure. Matthew is to provide Kim Vocke with addresses so letters can be sent.

### **POLICE**

- Per Chief Cody's report there were 2 reports, 0 parking citations, 0 traffic citations and 3 warrant arrests and 139 calls for service. Large amount of marijuana plants found at 109 Kenton when a warrant serving took place by marshals.

### **FIRE/EMS**

- Per Chief Stewart's report states there were 3 EMS responses and 5 Fire responses.
- Continuing the yearly Life Safety Inspections.

### **HALL**

- No report.

### **ROAD**

- Dave Radford reported he would reach out for the liminary study. Street sealing will not take place because of nonfeasible construction and streets are too narrow to shut down and relocate parking of citizens. Working on sealing current cracks.

### **PUBLIC WORKS**

- Bob France brought to the council's attention that the speed limit sign was damaged by wind from the latest storm. Spoke to Stalker and will be sending serial number for next steps in repairing the sign. Possible need to file an insurance claim if damage caused by storm.

### **LICENSE**

- No report

### **ATTORNEY**

- Kim Vocke communicated that he still hasn't received the assessment numbers from PVA as they are waiting on Frankfort's certification. He has suggested we have a first reading at the August 10<sup>th</sup> regular meeting and a Special Meeting on Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup> for the Second Reading.
- Discussion on BP issue and conflicting information.
- Resolution 7-1-22 authorizing the mayor to execute an agreement with Bramel & Ackley to provide the FY22 Audit. Tim Wartman made the motion to accept Resolution 7-1-22 with a second by Matthew Wartman. All members present voted yes.
- Bob France asked a question about the property owner of a tree being responsible for damage to someone's property. Kim Vocke responded that it would be best to notify the property owner where the tree is located and ask them to please notify their insurance company of the damage that was incurred then take that response to the homeowner's insurance company.

### **WAYS AND MEANS**

- Mike Kendall communicated that the city collected 118% of revenues mostly due to BP overpayment. Total expenditures were at 99% of what was anticipated. Road Fund collections were at 90% of anticipated revenues and we were 38% overbudget because of additional projects that were done. The budget this year was altered to reflect that. MRA collected 90% of revenues and the year was ended with 71% expected expenditures. Regarding the ARPA account, we have charged 95% of the first tranche. We received another \$106,500 which was reflected in the budget.

### **PARK**

- Tim Wartman gave an update on the basketball court which was just done and has to sit for a month before it can be painted.
- Dianne Wartman provided an update on the possible splash pad. A copy of plans were passed out to Council and reviewed. Initial basic splash pad with 6 spouts that can be expanded placed to the left of the maintenance building. It can be on a timer and is made to be indestructible. An estimate was provided of \$108k for the updated playground and \$72k for the splash pad and concrete. The gentleman Dianne is working with is familiar with grant money that is available and is researching on our behalf. The grant is referred to as the Game Time Playground Grant from the State of Kentucky.

### **INSURANCE AND GRANTS**

- No report.
- Dave Radford questioned the cost of the new additions (shelter and splash pad) under the city's insurance. Reagan France is to research and get him an answer.

**MAYOR**

- Mayor Denham provided an update to Council on the two big trees behind the city building. One of them fell on the shed as a result of the recent storm. Bob France had to remove a 16 foot branch. The Mayor is retrieving bids for removal and has received two as of now from Gerrein Green for 3 trees for \$9k and Shane Hamant for 2 trees for \$14,925. Waiting on a response from Twin Tree then would like to proceed with removal around the fall.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Mayor Denham asked for a motion to approve the committee reports. Matthew Wartman motioned to approve with a second by Mike Kendall. All members present voted yes.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Mike Kendall communicated that the Shelby Street Sewer Project started yesterday and hoping to be done by weekend or early next week.
- The Mayor communicated that Route 8 will be closed for around 5 days.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Bob France communicated his concern over vandalism in the new concession stand and bathrooms. Discussion ensued as to how to reduce vandalism by increasing camera security and controlling access to restrooms.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

- No report

**BILLS**

- Mayor Denham asked for a motion to approve the payment of the bills. Matthew Wartman motioned to approve with a second by Reagan France. All members present voted yes.

Mayor Denham asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dave Radford motioned to approve with a second by Mike Kendall. All members present voted yes. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

MAYOR \_\_\_\_\_



CLERK \_\_\_\_\_

