## **MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 11, 2014 BANCROFT MEETING**

The regular scheduled meeting for the City of Bancroft, KY was called to order by Mayor Reinhardt at 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, September 11, 2014 at Jefferson Manor. Those present: Mayor Reinhardt, Treasurer Shaikun, Attorney Dozier, Commissioner Wood, Clerk Tuthill, resident Bryan Berman, resident Matt Tungate, residents Robert and Anna Dean Showalter, resident Jennifer Leibson.

Clerk Tuthill read the minutes from the August 14, 2014 meeting. There were no corrections or additions, and the minutes were approved.

Officer Yeager on vacation so Mayor Reinhardt read his report for the month of August.

Treasurer Shaikun gave the financial report for August. Total resources gross income is \$9,432.70. Our expenses were \$18,811.12. We spent more than we received in the amount of \$9,378.42. We look good on paper but hopes we don't find any sinkholes on street could be very expensive. Taxes should be coming in soon.

Commissioner Wood asked about unusually high expenses on the trees. Power washing and tree service seem like very high expenses. Resident Showalter asked if we take care of all the streets as she was unaware of this.

Mayor Reinhardt had nothing to report regarding the police department. Thank you note was read.

Commissioner Constable was not present. Wood reported she is in a lot of pain and may not even be at picnic. Regarding the picnic she reported we were still in need gallons of water and plastic tablecloths. Marks Feed Store set up to arrive at 4:30.

Commissioner Dimeny had nothing to report regarding Bancroft Lane.

Commissioner Wood had nothing to report for administration and finance.

Commissioner Rayzor not present.

Clerk Tuthill addressed that we need to release the lien on 7615 Wesleyan as the property has sold and the lien has been paid off. Also reported an overwhelming number of calls relating to tax information from banks and residents. Trying her best to stay on top of it.

## In old business:

Commissioner Dimeny is still working on the Bancroft Lane sign prohibiting large vehicles.

The Silverblatt's gravel driveway has not been repaired and the Commission agreed this should be pursued however possible. Attorney Dozier reported the homeowner has not been returning her calls. Immediately after the meeting Attorney Dozier will knock on resident door. Clerk Tuthill gave attorney the homeowner address to go by there.

It was suggested we could take them to court as they have been out of compliance for two years.

Resident Silverblatt has told us they have contract but if they cannot produce a start date on contract then we will have to pick a date and hire a company. We will send letter letting them know it will be done on this date.

Regarding the maintenance on 7615 Wesleyan. The home has been sold so no longer an issue.

The crumbling road on Bancroft Lane has still not been completed. Clerk Tuthill will call Matt Meiners to follow up.

The Codification project we need to follow up and make sure it is still being completed. Clerk Tuthill said she believes the draft was to be complete by end of October but will check on completion date and follow up if needed.

## In new business:

Attorney Dozier advised that we cannot pass ordinance on rental properties. Statute says local government cannot make law to interfere with statute. Attorney has looked for other city ordinances and there are none.

Anne Showalter raised question why do some neighborhoods have more renters than others? Why do owners want to rent and still have to take care of properties. If property not maintained we have to go after owners. But very hard to do when they live out of state.

Matt Tungate said he spoke to someone who owns several rental properties. Could be unknown consequences if someone could not sell their home and needed to be able to rent. Or is forced to sell for far under market value or causes a home to be abandoned.

Mayor has filed as a write in candidate for Mayor. She raised the question should we have clerk put in the newsletter that she is a write-in candidate. Commission agreed we do need to add in newsletter. That anyone voting will have to write in Mayor Reinhardt's name as it will not be on ballot.

Mayor received letter from Jim Clark at 7412 Glen Arbor complaining about the property behind him owned by Melvin Turner. The homeowner does not cut the back area of lawn and it has grown out of control. We need to send letter to Mr. Turner on Old Orchard Circle advising him he needs to cut back grass and give him two weeks to comply or we will have it done.

Resident have complained about the trees on Bancroft Lane and they do need to be trimmed. Commissioner Dimeny says we need to contact Limb walkers because Bob Ray feels we should just cut them all down. We should only trim the problem ones that are hanging down.

Commissioner Wood brought up the MSD website and said they are asking for sealed bids to do work on Bancroft pump station and storage project. Will be happy if work done then we can address proceeding with work done on repair and repaying roads.

Bancroft used to maintain a pump station. MSD bought it and closed it down. MSD will be in our city to build a pump station and storage system. The information is on MSD website. This is part of the big project off Hwy 22 near Spring Valley. What they are planning will be all underground. The City was notified a couple of years ago so we knew this was coming.

Resident Showalter brought up the sinkholes on Maria at bottom of hill. Commissioner Dimeny said this was not Bancroft property either LG&E or MSD property.

Mayor said received a phone call on home on Glen Arbor regarding children drawing on house with chalk. Also growing a vegetable garden in front yard no ordinance against either complaint. Mayor stated all complaints must be in writing to be addressed. The fisher  $\mathcal{O}$ 

Jennifer Leibson introduced herself as a Bancroft resident running for District Judge. Mayor asked if she also wanted to be in write in commission candidate. She said she is not able to do both.

With no other business to discuss, Commissioner Dimeny made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Wood seconded the motion. The motion passed, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:48 P.M.

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