

MINUTES FROM MARCH 8, 2018 BANCROFT MEETING

The regular scheduled meeting for the City of Bancroft, KY was called to order by Mayor Jeff Magers at 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, March 8, 2018 at Episcopal Church Home. Those present: Mayor Jeff Magers, Commissioner Ed Evers, Commissioner Matt Tungate, Clerk Shannon Tuthill, Treasurer Arnold Shaikun, Police Chief Anthony Yeager, attorney Chapin Fossil, residents John and Yvonne Boyd and Kim and John Reinhardt.

REVIEW MEETING MINUTES:

Mayor Magers proceeded to review the February meeting minutes. Commissioner Tungate made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Borders seconded, all were in favor and the minutes were approved.

REPORTS:

Clerk

Clerk Tuthill reported that the 2018 Directory is about ready to print. In the past we have just delivered to every resident with the newsletter. Since we do not hand deliver the newsletter anymore we have to decide how to deliver it. Commission agreed to mail the Directory to residents with a letter from the Mayor regarding tree removal.

Clerk received a check today addressed to Bancroft Police from Insight Communications in the amount of \$25.51. Apparently, we must have overpaid for the Netmotion License renewal and this will be deposited in our account immediately.

With regard to the resident making payments on property tax. We still have not received another check. She called to ask for the mailing address again and said was mailing a check but have not received one. Clerk Tuthill was instructed to contact our attorney regarding filing a lien on the property.

Clerk reported on Monday she received an anonymous letter from a “concerned resident” about 7602 Old Salem Road leaving building materials and supplies in front of their driveway, etc. and the letter and emailed to everyone prior to meeting. Chief Yeager advised he has taken care of it.

Mayor’s Report

Mayor Magers reported on May 9-11 in Louisville the city is invited to a Strategic Planning Pilot Initiative for Jefferson County.

City Maintenance

Commissioner Borders had nothing to report other than in new business.

Communication and Public Outreach

Commissioner Tungate had nothing new to report.

Public Services

Commissioner Rittenhouse was not present and did not leave a report.

Police Department

Chief Yeager submitted his report. He has completed his in-service training for the year. The new police vehicle is not yet ready. We are having to do maintenance on existing vehicle. Chief just reminded everyone to leave garage doors down and cars locked.

Chief also informed everyone that he made a gun run on Keisler just outside of Bancroft and this is a concern.

Finance and Administration

Commissioner Evers reported he is working on the budget for the 2018/2019. He asked that everyone email him their budget items, so they may be ready at the April meeting. Commissioner Rittenhouse passed along his proposed budget for next year with the Rumpke contract.

Commissioner Borders said with regard to his budget he has contacted LG&E about electricity on Bancroft Lane and is waiting for that information.

Clerk to place on agenda for April the vote on chief salary to be placed on agenda for April. This vote should also include administration salary.

Mayor Magers asked where we stand on city audit with Mr. Veeneman. Commissioner Evers has not spoken with him in a month, but he said he would follow-up with him.

Clerk should contact attorney Schiller about beginning lien process for resident that has not paid their taxes.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Update on City of Louisville lawsuit against the City of Bancroft, all cities in Jefferson County, and the Jefferson County League of Cities relating to HB 246 (Waste Management).**

Attorney Fossil said all parties have entered appearance in appeal and filed their briefs with Court of Appeals and there is no change, so we are still in a waiting pattern.

Mayor Magers reported that he received invitation from Metro Louisville to be on an Advisory Board for Historic Preservation. Asked to pass information to attorney Schiller. We do not believe that we have any historic properties in our city. As part of Metro Louisville, we still have an interest in historic properties within Louisville.

- 2. Proposed addendum to the Google Fiber Uniform Franchise Agreement**

Attorney Fossil said the Google contract has still not been finalized. Therefore, there is no change. The 3% franchise fee we could accept or negotiate our own fee. Mayor reminded that a decision needs to be made by November. If we don't want to negotiate but still want to get Google Fiber here, then we need to sign their addendum.

Place on agenda for next month to vote on Google Fiber Uniform Franchise Agreement Addendum. Ask attorney to review prior to vote to make sure everything is ready to go legally.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Residents John And Kim Reinhardt Present To Discuss Neighbor Concerns.**

Mayor introduced residents John and Kim Reinhardt. The Reinhardt's explained that they had concerns regarding a new resident behind them at 2302 Tavener. New neighbor has run a pipe from down spout across side of yard. Yard is sloped behind both properties causing more water to collect in their yard. Mrs. Reinhardt brought a copy of the applicable ordinance 150.03(J). that does not allow for modifications of downspout.

Mayor Magers suggested they contact MSD for advice. This is a drainage issue that they be able to fix or offer advice on how to fix it. Mrs. Reinhardt will check with MSD first but would like the commission to send letter to resident asking them to remove pipe.

2. Residents John and Yvonne Boyd Present to Discuss Clarification on Several Ordinances

Residents John and Yvonne Boyd addressed commission over their concerns about a neighbor leaving a tent in their yard. Wanted to know if there was an ordinance prohibiting this. Chief Yeager assured residents that he has given the resident a written warning and a citation and they removed the tent. Chief said he also addressed the shower curtains on the front porch and asked they be removed as well. Commissioner Tungate addressed concerns that he does not read the ordinance to say that we can ask that they be removed.

The Boyd's also asked about whether there is an ordinance about leaving garbage cans out and if so, how long are cans allowed to stay out?

Mayor said we have discussed this on numerous occasions, but do we have not made an actual ordinance prohibiting them from being left in front of house.

Clerk Tuthill will place in newsletter next month about garbage cans not being left out.

The Boyd's last question raised was whether anything can be done about barking dogs. They have a neighbor that leaves their dog out from 7 am for the entire day and it barks all day. This is the corner of Greenlawn and Glen Arbor. Mayor explained that Chief Yeager is code enforcement and he can address the resident about the complaints and then we would then contact animal control. Mr. Boyd would like to talk to neighbor first and let them know there is an ordinance. He will contact commission if needs further assistance.

3. Discussion on Damaged/Old Tree Removal on Bancroft Lane.

Commissioner Borders met with an arborist for a maintenance and tree removal plan for Bancroft Lane. Commissioner Borders made a motion to have trees on Bancroft Lane treated by spraying all weeds/grass around base of trees spreading pre-emergent, herbicide, fertilizer and hardwood mulch around the base of the trees at a cost not to exceed \$2500. Mayor Magers seconded. All in favor and motion passed.

Commissioner Borders made a second motion to replace seven trees on Bancroft Lane with different species and add additional flowering trees (20 trees planted) at a cost not to exceed \$16,000. Mayor said as part of this process we need to get as much information out to residents as soon as possible that this is for the long-term preservation of the tree canopy. Mayor Magers made an amendment to motion that before the trees are removed we use the communication avenues available to the city to inform Bancroft residents in advance of the removal of the trees. Commissioner Tungate will place on website. Commissioner Tungate seconded the amended motion. All in favor and motion passed as amended.

Clerk Tuthill will include notice to the residents in a mailing with a new copy of the Directory. Clerk will try to have mailing ready within 10 days.

Residents present were asked for their opinion on tree removal because of ash borers. They are familiar with the trouble with ash borers because they work on golf course at country club. It is a waste of money to try and combat damaged trees.

4. Proposed Addition Of A Second Sign For Old Orchard Circle And Old Orchard Court.

Commissioner Evers toured the entire city. Corner of Keisler, Greenlawn and Glen Arbor has three signs, but Old Orchard Circle and Court does not. It is not uniform and feels it needs to be changed.

Commissioner Borders was asked to find out cost of adding a sign by next meeting. We will place on agenda and address and vote next month.

Commissioner Evers made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Tungate seconded. All in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 8:47 pm.

/s/ Jeff Magers
Mayor

/s/ Shannon Tuthill
City Clerk