# **MINUTES FROM MAY 12, 2022 BANCROFT MEETING**

The regular scheduled meeting for the City of Bancroft, KY was called to order by Mayor Jeff Magers at 7:03 pm on Thursday, May 12, 2022 at The Churchill Downs Building, 600 N. Hurstbourne Lane, Louisville, Kentucky. Those present: Mayor Jeff Magers Commissioner Ed Evers, Commissioner Paul Chumbley, Commissioner Jaimie Schapker, Treasurer Arnold Shaikun, Police Chief David Mudd, Attorney Richard Schiller, Attorney Greg Taylor. Residents Deborah Rivera, Angel Rivera and AJ Rivera. Absent: Commissioner Mike Borders.

## **REVIEW MEETING MINUTES:**

Mayor Magers proceeded to review the April meeting minutes with suggested revisions and amendments. Major Magers made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Commissioner Evers seconded. All in favor and the minutes were approved.

#### REPORTS:

#### Clerk

Clerk Tuthill gave the following report. One trip was made to the storage unit to return some supplies from Easter egg hunt. I met with Treasurer Shaikun to sign checks. Created and distributed May newsletter with Mailchimp.

The New version of QuickBooks was successfully installed on clerk computer and is running fine.

No other issues with direct deposit scam.

Contacted American Legal to advise them that the Clerk's old home address is listed on the website as the address for the City of Bancroft and was advised they would correct immediately.

We received a very late property tax payment and all late fees were paid. We still have two properties with delinquent taxes. One is the foreclosure on Old Salem and the other I have been in contact with the mortgage company and homeowner but still has not been paid.

A solicitation permit was requested and sent to a pest control company that requested it. They seek to obtain a permit to solicit within the city and I am waiting for the permit to be returned with payment.

I revised the draft Budget Ordinance for Commissioner Evers.

#### Mayor's Report

Mayor Magers gave the following report:

- After participating in two U.S. Treasury webinars and one KLC webinar on using the ARPA reporting portal, I completed the SLFRF (ARPA) annual report prior to the April 30<sup>th</sup> deadline. I reported no projects as of March 30<sup>th</sup>. The full payment of the body camera purchase was after the March 30<sup>th</sup> cutoff date. The body camera purchase will go on the April 30, 2023 annual report.
- 2. After completing the annual report, it is my recommendation that we do not retain a contractor to assist with annual reporting. The U.S. Treasury simplified the reporting process for all entities receiving less than \$10 million dollars. Municipalities in this with an award of less than \$10 million dollars can report the total amount of the entire ARPA award (both tranches) as a standard deduction for revenue loss and expenditures reported as government services in the revenue loss category. The U.S. Treasury is encouraging ARPA recipients to use this approach to reporting expenditures. KLC suggested municipalities pass a resolution to confirm this method of reporting.

- That resolution is on the agenda tonight. The U.S. Treasury portal reported our total award for both tranches is \$132,587.01. This amount must be obligated before June 30, 2024, and expended by June 30, 2025.
- 3. City Attorney Richard Schiller will report on developments in the foreclosure at 7616 Old Salem, where we have an interest in recovering funds to satisfy our liens on the property. That report is on the agenda.

### City Maintenance

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

# **Communication and Public Outreach**

Commissioner Schapker reported that the Easter egg hunt was a success. We hid about 800 eggs that all disappeared very quickly. Thank you to everyone who came out.

Next event for the city is the yard sale. It will be June 11 until 1 p.m. We will advertise in the CJ, on FB and with signs around the neighborhood.

I am trying to get a snow cone truck lined up for the 4th of July bike parade which will take place Saturday, July 2 at 11 a.m.

We have several food trucks lined up for the summer. We will vary their location. The first one will be on Maria Court.

Smok'n Cantina Food Truck Wednesday, June 22 from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m. in Maria Court Good Belly Food Truck Sunday, July 17 from 5 until 7 p.m. in Old Salem Court Bamba Eggroll Co. Food Truck Sunday, August 14 from 5 until 7 p.m. in Old Salem Court

#### Public Services

Commissioner Chumbley reported yard waste collected weekly through the end of the year.

#### Police Department

Chief Mudd gave the following report. There were 20 days of patrol in the city. There were 15 Radar/Stop Sign details performed for high police visibility. There were 2 dispatched calls for service: There were 26 traffic stops made for traffic infractions. There were 5 citations issued - charges included: Disregarding Traffic Control Device: 1, No Operators License: 1, Following Too Closely: 1, Operating on Suspended OL: 1, No Insurance: 4, Disregarding Stop Sign: 1, Expired OL: 1, No/Expired Registration Plates: 1. There were 21 verbal warnings issued. There were 0 motorist assists. There were 3 arrests (two were MIW's on same juvenile). There were 0 warnings given for parking infractions. There were 4 days of bike patrol. There were 65 visits to residents homes for the "House Watch" program. There was 1 vehicle towed. There were 2 assists to other agencies: GMDD – 2. There was 1 ordinance investigations.

I attended the March Commission meeting.

I was able to procure a loaner portable radio with the AES encryption that will allow us to maintain communication with LMPD.

I assisted the court appointed Receiver for 7616 Old Salem in making sure squatter had left the premises.

The permit application is now active for solicitation. If a company requests being able to solicit, they can request a permit.

Chief Mudd did a crime report for the area of Bancroft on the map. From January 1 until today. Gives a general idea of what crimes have taken place. He will try to submit this report to the commission on a regular basis.

## Finance and Administration

Commissioner Evers had nothing new to report other than the budget and tax rate ordinances on the Agenda.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

# 1. <u>Discussion And Update from Attorneys About Foreclosure Litigation</u>

At this time a motion was made pursuant to KRS 61.810 and KRS 61.815 by Mayor Magers, seconded by Commissioner Chumbley, and carried by a majority vote in the open public session to go into Closed Executive session under section C of the Open Meetings Act to discuss pending litigation regarding foreclosure proceedings on 7616 Old Salem Road.

During the Closed Executive session of the City of Bancroft meeting the Commissioners discussed the ongoing foreclosure proceedings and no other matters than those publicly announced prior to convening the closed session. No final action was taken during the closed meeting.

The Public Meeting resumed and a motion was made by Mayor Magers, seconded by Commissioner Chumbley and carried by a majority vote to leave executive session.

There was an update from the city attorneys about foreclosure litigation and a discussion of how to proceed.

2. <u>Discussion About Amending The City Ordinance On The Location Of Our City Commission Meetings To Allow For Video-Conferencing Of Regular Meetings In Accordance With Recent Changes In The Open Meetings Law That Will Be Effective Later In 2022</u>.

Mayor Magers contacted the Kentucky League of Cities legal office regarding the recent change to Kentucky law allowing videoconferencing of meetings without all the restrictions of SB 150 that was enacted during the pandemic state of emergency. Mayor Magers posed the questions we had at the April meeting. Morgan Patterson, KLC Director of Municipal Law, said that she had not yet received the typical Attorney General's Office updated guidance on open meetings. She was going to discuss our questions and the questions of other cities with the AG's Office in an upcoming meeting. At the April meeting we discussed option of amending our meeting location ordinance to reflect only having video conferenced meetings or listing both a physical location and videoconference option in the ordinance. We need to wait for guidance before amending the ordinance. Mayor Magers called the administrator of the Episcopal Church Home to inquire about the possibility of meeting there again. Mayor Magers was advised by the administrator they could not yet let us use the board room for meetings.

# 3. <u>Discussion Of Proposals For Use Of ARPA Funds</u>

At the last Jefferson County League of City meeting in April, one of the suburban fire chiefs made a presentation that Metro Louisville government was allocating some ARPA funds, 1.6% of their funds to suburban fire for EMS workers. He asked that suburban cities also give 1.6% of their allocation.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Building Permit Application From Greg Rosenbaum, 2415 Tavener, For The Addition Of Stairs
<u>To An Existing Deck.</u>

Resident Rosenbaum was not present but sent an application for a permit to add steps to an existing deck. Mayor Magers passed along to commission. Mayor Magers made a motion to approve the permit. Commissioner Schapker seconded. All in favor and permit was approved.

2. <u>Building Permit Application From Deborah Rivera, 7511 Maria Avenue, For A Pergola/Pavilion Structure.</u>

Deborah Rivera present to request a building permit for an already existing structure in rear of property as a pergola/pavilion. Discussion about use of structure and housing a trailer that has since been moved. Commissioner Evers made a motion to accept permit request. Commissioner Chumbley seconded. All in favor and the permit was approved.

3. <u>First Reading Of Ordinance Number 3, Series 2022 – An Ordinance Relating To The 2022 Real Property Taxes</u>

Commissioner Evers proceeded with first reading of Ordinance #3, Series 2022 – An Ordinance of the City of Bancroft, State of Kentucky relating to the 2022 Real Property Taxes.

Last year .345 rate, calculated .288 for this year so the dollar amount of tax due should be close to the same as last year.

Commissioner Evers made a motion to accept Ordinance No. 3 Series 2022 as read. Commissioner Schapker seconded. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

4. First Reading of Ordinance Number 4, Series 2022, Relating to the FY 2023 Budget Ordinance

Commissioner Evers proceeded with the first reading of Ordinance #4, Series 2022 – An ordinance Adopting a Budget for the City of Bancroft, Kentucky for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023.

Commissioner Evers made a motion to accept Ordinance No. 4 Series 2022 as read. Commissioner Schapker seconded. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

5. Resolution To Confirm Our SLRFRP (ARPA Funds) Selection Of Reporting Option, In Accordance With The U.S. Treasury Final Rule For The Annual Reporting Of ARPA Expenditures

Mayor Magers made a resolution for the selection of reporting option in accordance with US Treasurer final rule for annual reporting of ARPA expenditures. Commissioner Evers seconded. All in favor and the resolution passed unanimously.

## OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Magers added a reminder that June 7 filing deadline for running for commission. Mayor reviewed filing requirements.

Commissioner Chumbley made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Schapker seconded. All in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 9:08 pm.

Mayor