

The regular meeting of the Bromley Council began at 6:00 p.m. with a pledge to the flag. This meeting was held in the basement location to allow for social distancing.

Roll call: Mayor Denham, Attorney Vocke, Mike Kendall, Dianne Wartman, Nancy Kienker, Dave Radford, Tim Wartman and Gail Smith. All present.

The May 2020 minutes were approved on a motion by Smith and a second by Kienker. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

THERE IS NO CITIZEN INPUT

Smith spoke about the three properties that the Engineers reported on through Kendall. One was 1 Pike Street. Smith suggests that the property be torn down. It is in a location where flood regulations apply and the expense to repair would be much more than the house is worth.

The Attorney stated that in a recent court case the cost to repair or replace a property is not to be a consideration.

The Attorney feels that no one would bid on that property or on the Barnes property at 227 Shelby but we still have to go through the process.

The Mayor stated that the Dunn property at 11 Lake Street is not in compliance and it would cost over \$200,000.00 repair all issues. He feels that the best thing would be for someone to buy the property, as there are structural issues, so that the City has no responsibility.

The Attorney stated that the City would have to make a buyer aware of each property's condition.

Bob France, Public Works, feels that, if any of these properties are purchased, stipulations and time frames should be put into place so that the properties are not able to just sit in a state of disrepair.

Kendall informed the Fire Chief that a person on Shelby Street, behind the Hafley property, has been burning trash and throwing gasoline on the flames causing explosions. He is doing this often. Mike Steward, LFD Chief, will pursue this matter.

POLICE REPORT

This report is available in the office for review.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

This report is available in the office for review.

The fire escape ladder at Pleasant and Shelby has not been left lowered since the past meeting.

The Chief will try to begin fire inspections in June.

The Water District put a hold on the hydrant flushing due to Covid-19. Chief Steward will push towards the fall to begin this process.

NO HALL REPORT

ROAD AND LIGHT REPORT

Radford reports that France filled a pothole at Boone and Main and will pursue the patching of several more potholes throughout the City. France stated that one on Boone Street needs to be done professionally.

Radford gave an update on the traffic monitoring unit. It was moved from Bromley Road to Rohman Avenue near Moore Street.

Radford reports that speeds of up to 75 m.p.h. were monitored on Bromley/Crescent Spring Road between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

NO LICENSE REPORT

It was suggested that the Clerk send a copy of the delinquent rental license list to Quentin at PDS with a copy of the Ordinance that was recently enacted allowing PDS to pursue collection of these delinquencies.

Smith reports that there are persons in Bromley operating a business without a license. The Court has extended the deadline for purchase of such licenses due to Covid-19. The Attorney will pursue this matter.

ATTORNEY REPORT

The Attorney read Ordinance 5-1-20 for the second time. This ordinance pertains to the parking of trailers on the City streets. Smith moves to accept this ordinance reading. Kendall seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

The Attorney read Ordinance 6-1-20 for the first time. This ordinance pertains to the acceptance of the 2020-21 budget. Smith moves to accept this ordinance reading. Radford seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

The Attorney read Ordinance 6-2-20 for the first time. This ordinance sets a tax rate of .220 including watercraft, penalties to be determined by the Sheriff's Office. Smith moves to accept this ordinance reading. Kendall seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

The Attorney will send the paperwork that is required to obtain HB 413 money (Police).

The Attorney will pursue the preparation of the paperwork that is required to allow American Publishing Company to do our ordinance codification work. Smith and Dianne made notations on the ordinances that they felt needed to be reviewed for codification purposes.

The Attorney has filed the "open records request" papers regarding the Bromley Fire Department (BFD). Mr. Vocke informed the Mayor that he is moving as quickly as possible but he feels that, at some point, the BFD will have to give the paperwork to the City and the City will also end up getting the money as the BFD did things without the legal authority to do so.

Radford moves that the Attorney release the lien on 659 Bromley/Crescent Springs Road (as it was filed incorrectly) and file the lien on the property located at 655 Bromley/Crescent Springs Road. Smith seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

The Attorney has filed the complaint against the owner of the Dunn property at 11 Lake Street. Things have been slow because the Clerk's office has been working at ½ staff. He hopes that everything will be back to normal withing the next 30-60 days.

Kendall stated that Frankfort acts more quickly when they receive complaints. He asks if it would be appropriate for friends to express their concerns to Frankfort regarding the current situation with the BFD. The Attorney feels that this certainly wouldn't hurt anything. Mr. Vocke will see that Kendall gets the case or claim number in Frankfort regarding the BFD. Kendall will pursue this matter.

WAYS AND MEANS REPORT

Smith reports that the 2020-2021 budget reflects a small increase in salary for the employees and the Attorney.

Smith stated that the tax rate is down from last year.

In this 11th. month of the current fiscal year our income is \$21,000 over budget. Expenses are \$97,000.00 under, and there is an upcoming increase of \$95,000 for the new budget.

Kendall sees from the gross receipts report that no check has been received from B/P. Kendall believes that we received the money from B/P around September of last year.

Smith feels that B/P may have been given an extension. We may not physically see the money. The Auditor will pursue the matter for us. The Attorney stated that B/P's total assets are \$19 billion.

PARK AND PLAYGROUND REPORT

Tim reported that we had an extra bench from the park which France installed on Oak Street at the bus stop. The Mayor reports that it is being used.

Tim reports that the camera on the building went out and a new one was installed. The estimated cost to install another camera at the basketball court would be \$350.00.

Tim received four bids for the new basketball court. He has eliminated two of the bids for various reasons. He would like to give the job to Towne Construction.

Smith suggests that Wartman wait until the next budget cycle to get this project started as we have not received money from B/P and we have to pay \$25,000 for police services at the first part of July. If we receive money from BFD the funds could help with this project.

The Mayor asks Tim to see if this company would hold the price for us until funding is better. Tim will ask that they hold the price until the first of August. He may see if they would start the job with a delay in payment. Tim Wartman will pursue this matter.

Smith moves that we accept the bid from Towne Construction for the basketball court at the park with a payment plan condition. Kienker seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

INSURANCE AND GRANTS

Kienker reports that Dominique has submitted a map of the park and several other forms to the Department of Local Government that are required for the Park and Playground Project.

Things have been slow because of Covid-19. A pre-award inspection report was one of the forms submitted by Dominique. It is still not known when the funds will be made available.

The insurance is up to date at this time.

MAYOR REPORT

The Mayor has been checking the City building.
He and Kendall installed a spigot on the patio for France.
There is a rat problem in the back of the hall. It is believed that they are running through the sewer line.
The Mayor is working on this problem with the exterminator.

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

OLD BUSINESS/MAIN STREET PROJECT

Kendall reports that Spectrum still has a utility left on the pole in front of 305 Main. District 6 is coordinating the removal of this utility after which time the pole will be removed.

On the bad news side: the number of acorn lights was reduced by two.
On the good news side: the design based on these changes has been approved.
The permit stage is currently in limbo.
Duke Energy should be sending us a refund in the amount of \$22,000.00

NEW BUSINESS

France asks about salary increases. He was informed that all employees will be getting an increase in pay.

NO COMMUNICATIONS

BILLS

Smith moves to pay the bills. Kienker seconds. Roll call: all aye. The motion carried.

Smith moves to adjourn. Kendall seconds. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

MAYOR



CLERK

