**BEREA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING JULY 3, 2018**

The Berea City Council met in a regular session, Tuesday, July 3, 2018; Mayor Steven Connelly presiding. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

**COUNCIL PRESENT**: J. Davis, B. Fraley, D. Rowlette, J. Little, S. Caudill, C. Wilson, R. Terrill

**ABSENT**: T. Schultz

**OFFICIALS:** J.T. Gilbert, R. Stone, C. Chasteen, D. Gregory, S. Sandlin, S. Meeks, D. Brumley, A. Haney, K. Hensley,

**INVOCATION & PLEDGE**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Mayor called for a motion to hold an executive session to discuss pending litigation; Caudill moved to amend the agenda, Little seconded the amendment; all ayes. Fraley motioned to approve the agenda as amended; Caudill seconded; all ayes.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: JUNE 19, 2018 & JUNE 28, 2018**

Caudill moved, Little seconded to approve the minutes of June 19, and June 28, 2018; all ayes.

**SWEARING IN OF NEW POLICE OFFICER**

Police Chief David Gregory introduced Cody Ocelli. Mayor Connelly read the oath and swore Officer Oceilla to the City of Berea Police Department.

**ORDINANCE #09-2018; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BEREA, KENTUCKY, CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY DESCRIBING OWNED BY CARPENTER SERVICES, LLC HEREIN FROM B-1 (MINOR BUSINESS) TO B-2 (MAJOR BUSINESS) – 2ND READING**

Corporate Counsel read the ordinance by title; Little motioned, Caudill seconded to approve and adopt Ordinance #09-2018. Roll call vote; all ayes.

**ORDINANCE #10-2018; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BEREA, KENTUCKY, CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY DESCRIBED OWNED BY WADE GAY AND GARY GAY HEREIN FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO A (AGRICULTURE) – 2ND READING**

Corporate Counsel read the ordinance by title. Caudill motioned, Terrill seconded to approve and adopt Ordinance #10-2018. Roll call vote; all ayes.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Audit & Finance – S. Caudill**

The committee met with the representatives of the Baldwin & Associates this evening to discuss the upcoming city audit, they presented information about the changes to the Pension Liability related to health care. The committee heard a presentation from the Berea Dolphins; going forward the city will house their equipment; it will be part of our facilities.

**Economic Development – J. Davis**

The next committee meeting will be Monday, July 16th at 5:30 p.m.

**Personnel – C. Wilson**

No report.

**Public Works – J. Little**

Caudill reported the next meeting will be August 6th at 5:30 p.m.

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**DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

No additional reports.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Ali Blair, representing the upcoming Levitt Amp Concert series invited everyone to attend the kick-off event this Friday evening. The series will last 10 weeks, with many good bands and music happening each Friday evening thought Sept. 7th. On August 3rd, the students from the “Singing Bird Music School”, as part of the “Learn Shops”, will be opening for the McClain Family Band. On Sept. 7th there will be a “Monarch Day Celebration” with many fun activities planned. For more info, people can contract the Berea Tourism, or the Berea Arts Council.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT: R. STONE**

* Due to the excessive water and mud that The Allen Company has encountered on the connector path for the Indian Fort Trail, we have added a line item for additional fabric and rock to build up the sub-surface.
* General fund monies this week is $1,365,905; Tourism has $446, 879. The General Fund is lower than recent reports, we have placed one-million in CD’s. We have begun a new Fiscal Year as of July 1; Ms. Meeks and I met with the new auditors, they will begin work soon.
* Retiree’s coming up; Project Manager Dale VanWinkle will retire on August 1st, Captain, Ken Clark will also be retiring August 1st, and Utility Director, Ed Fortner will be retiring on Sept. 1st.
* We have received a bid from Shannon Devere for the renovation of the Tolle Building at a cost estimate of $340,000.
* Everyone is invited to attend the 4th of July festivities at the park. The new stadium is ready, and the sand sculpture has begun.

 **EXECUTIVE SESSION;**

Little motioned, Terrill seconded at move into executive session. Meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m. Reconvened at 7:15 p.m.; information received from Corporate Counsel concerning pending litigation, no action taken at this time.

**MAYORS COMMENTS:**

Mayor Connelly reported that staff met with KYMEA representatives and talked with AMP last week.

The city will pay $12,000 for the membership fee as currently budgeted to KYMEA, and will purchase 25 megawatts of capacity at a price not to exceed $1.50 from AMP. More details will be provided when the proposed contracts have been prepared.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

**Terrill** – he saw that the mayor has filed for re-election, and heard that he wants to work more with council; he wishes he would do so.

**Wilson** – thanked everyone who came this evening; congratulations to Cody.

**Caudill** – congratulations to Cody; he encouraged everyone to attend the 4th of July celebration at the park.

**Davis** – happy 4th of July to everyone!

**Fraley** – the events at the park start at 6pm, with the fireworks at 10pm. He hopes everyone will pause and remember the meaning of Independence Day!

**Rowlette** – he encouraged everyone to attend the 4th of July events, and support our staff for all the work they have done in preparation.

Meeting adjourned: 7:19 p.m.