**BEREA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING DECEMBER 18, 2018**

The Berea City Council met in a regular session, Tuesday, December 18, 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, T. Schultz, D. Rowlette, J. Little, S. Caudill, C. Wilson, R. Terrill

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

**INVOCATION:** Jamey Patt

**PLEDGE**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motioned by Schultz, second by Fraley to approve the agenda; all ayes.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: DEC. 04, 2018**

Motioned by Caudill, seconded by Davis to approve the minutes of Dec. 4, 2018; all ayes.

**YOUTH IN ACTION – JENNIFER WEBB**

Students from Madison Southern, and Farristown Middle came to recognize officers from the KY State Police, and the Berea Police Department. The Youth in Action consists of students from the local schools who are dedicated to stopping youth alcohol, and illicit drug use. Retired Police Captain Ken Clark, received the overall winner of the “Officer of the Year Award” for his commitment and dedication to the program. The “Hero Award” went to KSP Officer, Robert Purdy. KSP “Officer of the Year”, went to Officer Charles Tinsley. Berea Officer Lt. Jake Reed received the “Hero Award”, and Officer Byron Smoot received the “Officer of the Year”. Jennifer Webb, founder and advisor of the group thanked the mayor and council for their continued support of the organization; she urged the council to consider the Social Host Ordinance, a copy was distributed to the mayor and council.

**OPEN BIDS; AUDIT VISUAL EQUIPMENT**

One bid was received from Alliant Integrators, Inc. in the amount of $79,975.65. The bid will be reviewed by the IT Department for approval and recommendation.

**RESOLUTION #02-2018; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEREA, KENTUCKY APPROVING THE BOONE TRACE MASTER PLAN FOR KENTUCKY 2018.**

Corporate Counsel read the resolution in its entirety; Fraley motioned, Caudill seconded to approve and adopt the resolution. All ayes.

**INDIAN FORT TRAIL PHASE THREE-CHANGE ORDER #01**

City Administrator Stone stated the original contract with The Allen Company for the connector path was $425,832.75. We had both additions and deletions to the project, deductions from The Allen Company totaled $61, 036.57, the additions were $148,710.44; total change order amount, $87,673.87. Total contract price with the change is $513,506.62, the trail is now complete, with the acceptance of the punch list, which will not be able to be completed until the weather permits, in the spring. We will withhold 10% until all the punch list items are completed, and the low water crossing will be re-worked and paid for by Banks Engineering. The additional dense grade and asphalt along with widening some drive entrances was the main increase in the cost, but we came in where our engineers estimated. Caudill motioned, Schultz to approve the change order. Little stated he was very troubled about this change order, it is misleading; who was supposed to have been inspecting this project as it was being built; he saw things that shouldn’t have been missed. Stone stated we do not pay on any of our projects until we get the product we expect to receive. Little asked where is the money coming from if it is approved, Stone stated the money was budgeted for the project and Tourism transferred $50,000 to our General Fund. Terrill stated if we hadn’t done the work while the weather was wet, we would have to go back afterwards and be spending our money to make additional repairs. Roll call vote: Terrill-no, Wilson-no, Caudill-yes, Little-no, Rowlette-no, Schultz-no, Fraley-no, Davis-no. Motion defeated.

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**JANUARY 1, 2019 COUNCIL MEETING CANCELLATION**

Terrill motioned to cancel the meeting on January 1, 2019, Wilson seconded; all ayes.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Audit & Finance – Caudill**

An adjustment will need to be made in the amended budget for the Economic Development Department moving forward in the 2019 year. We owe the money for the project; how do we plan on paying on a bill we owe. Stone stated the money is in the budget.

**Economic Development** – J. Davis

No report.

**Parks – T. Schultz**

No report.

**Personnel – C. Wilson**

No report.

**Public Works – J. Little**

No report.

**DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

No reports.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Tim Taylor, owner of property at Menelaus Road. His renters at the property try to recycle but Poff Carting has not picked it up for 6 weeks; he called Poff and city hall and was told recycling cannot be bagged, everything in the recycling tubs must to be loose. The small containers allow the wind to blow out the items, he asked about charges for the large containers with the lids, he was told it would be an additional fee of $30 to rent one from Poff. Caudill stated the committee spoke with Poff, and they would allow people to purchase their own recycling container and not charge and additional fee to the customer; the larger one doesn’t fit every family size. The container would need to be marked or labeled for the recycling items.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: R. STONE**

* General Funds money this week was $837,155.00, and all bills are paid, Tourism has $485,634.00
* We received two new police vehicles last week; one more should be arriving within the next two weeks.
* Both our Police and Fire Departments assisted needy families with children during the Christmas holidays, we appreciate all their work throughout the year to make this possible.
* We issued Apollo’s Pizza their liquor licenses this week.
* Hepatitis A shots will be available to all employees who would like to get one.
* Appreciation to Tom Schultz for his service to the council the past two years.
* Many thanks to Mayor Connelly for his service as mayor during the past 16 years, and to the dedication and accomplishments the city received because of his leadership. It has been an honor to work with him during his tenure.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

**Rowlette;** wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year; congratulations to the officers who were recognized this evening.

**Fraley;** the swearing-in ceremony is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. this Thursday, in the council chambers; Circuit Judge Brandy Brown will do the honors. Thanks to Mayor Connelly for his years of service to the citizens of Berea as both mayor, and on city council, he thanked Mayor Connelly for sharing historical information about our city, he wished him well in his future. Thanks to Tom Schultz for his service to the city and the citizens, he hopes he can stay involved with the city. Peace be with everyone during this holiday season.

**Davis;** congratulations to Jennifer Webb and the Youth in Action program. He thanked Mayor Connelly and Mr. Schultz for their years of service to the city. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

**Little;** Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone!

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**Terrill**; thanks to Steve Seals for auctioning during the surplus auction, it seems we got more money due to having someone auction for us. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

**Wilson;** thanks to Jennifer Webb for her work with the Youth in Action Program; congratulations to the officers. Thanks to Tom for his service and help with the youth programs in the park. Thanks to Mayor Connelly for all he has done for the city. Thanks to all the employees for all they do; Merry Christmas!

**Caudill;** thanks to Tom for his service the last two years, hopefully we will see him back again someday. Thanks to Jennifer Webb for her work with the students, and congratulation to the officers who were recognized, the students look up to them. Mayor Connelly has done a fantastic job over the last 22 years, there have been times when decisions were made; they may have not been the most popular, but when history looks back, many of those things will have a positive impact on our city. For a person who loves Berea’s history and our city, there are things that Mayor Connelly has stamped his name in history as a legacy for future generations to come. Have a Merry Christmas!

**Schultz;** thanks all the presenters, the Youth in Action, the police officers, and thanks to his colleagues he has worked with during the past two years, together we have proven we can accomplish many things by working together. Thanks to Mayor Connelly for his years of service and leadership over the years. Thanks to City Administrator, Randy Stone for always being available to answer questions, and thanks to all our city employees who make sure our city is run smoothing and efficiently. Tanks to the citizens who attended meetings and stay involved, and all who came to talk about the betterment of our city. It has been an honor and a joy to serve our city these past two years. I wish for the new council and Mayor Elect Fraley. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all!

Caudill motioned, Little seconded to adjourn at 7:37 p.m., all ayes.

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Mayor Steven Connelly

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City Clerk