**BEREA CITY COUNCIL \_\_ SPECIAL CALLED MEETING / WORK SESSION \_\_ MAY 21, 2021**

The Berea City Council met in a special called meeting / work session, Friday, May 21, 2021.

Council Members and Staff met in person continuing CDC Guidelines for COVID-19 with meeting televised live for public viewing.

David Gregory, City Administrator, presiding.

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Jim Davis, Katie Startzman, John Payne, Jerry Little, Cora Wilson,

Steve Caudill

**OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Bruce Fraley, Mayor; Robin Adams, Daniel Brindley, Susan Meeks,

Donna Angel, Eric Scott, Josh Gabbard, Priscilla Bloom

**VISITORS PRESENT:** None

**CERS HAZARDOUS RETIREMENT FOR POLICE & FIRE - DISCUSSION**

Caudill reviewed the history of hazardous / non-hazardous cost rates.

As Hazardous Retirement had been added to the budget, discussion involved whether the City could afford it and/or transition cost, changes in the retirement system for the City, physical and emotional effects, years of employment, concerns of number of positions included and/or needed for each (Police & Fire) department to function efficiently, actual spending vs. budget spending, additional data, getting and retaining officers, time involved to obtain certification(s) for officers, neighboring competition, effect of long term decisions, Police & Fire protection, and Kentucky Statutes.

**CITY OF BEREA FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 BUDGET REVIEW**

Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget Draft was reviewed by departments and/or line items regarding questions and/or changes.

An Audit & Finance Committee will meet in a Work Session scheduled prior to the June 1st, 2021 City Council meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

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Mayor Bruce Fraley

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City Clerk