**BEREA CITY COUNCIL \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_ \_ REGULAR MEETING \_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_ MAY 3, 2022**

The Berea City Council met in a regular session, Tuesday, May 3, 2022.

Mayor Bruce Fraley presiding.

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m.

**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Teresa Scenters, Katie Startzman, John Payne, Steve Caudill,

Cora Wilson, Ronnie Terrill

**COUNCIL ABSENT:** Jim Davis, Jerry Little

**OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Jerry Gilbert, Rose Beverly, Robin Adams, Tommy Horn, Donna Angel,

Priscilla Bloom, Aaron Boycan, Roy Curtis

**INVOCATION:** Cora Wilson

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Cora Wilson

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Payne motioned; Startzman seconded motion to approve agenda as presented.

Voice Vote: All ayes

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES - April 19, 2022**

Scenters motioned; Startzman seconded motion to approve minutes as presented.

Voice Vote: All ayes

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Eleanor Workman

The April 19th City Council Meeting was troublesome, enlightening, interesting, and encouraging. It was troublesome and enlightening as it admitted assumption brought in an amendment that caused enlightening in a discussion. It was encouraging as it gave assurance that council members were diligently pursuing information pertaining to issues before voting. Political thinking on the part of one council member, the quiet impartial leadership from Mayor Fraley helped bring a peaceful solution, and glad she was present.

**NATIONAL SMALL BUSINESS WEEK PROCLAMATION** - Mayor Fraley

Mayor Fraley read and presented proclamations (2) to Katie Startzman and the Mountain Association Finance Team. Per Michael Ashcraft, Federal US Small Business Administration, out of eight business of the Kentucky Small Business Awards, Berea had two awards. Those were Katie Startzman, Native Bagel Co., 2022 Kentucky Woman Small Business of the Year, and Mountain Association Finance Team, 2022 Financial Services Advocates of the Year.

Startzman was honored to be a small business owner in Berea, grateful for her staff as a business could not function without them, and grateful to be in Berea and Madison County.

**CODES ENFORCEMENT BOARD APPOINTMENT -** Mayor Fraley

Mayor Fraley requested Council approval of James Anderson for a three-year term on the Codes Enforcement Board to expire May 3, 2025.

Terrill motioned; Caudill seconded motion to approve appointment of James Anderson for a three-year term on the Berea Codes Enforcement Board.

Voice Vote: All Ayes

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**HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD APPOINTMENT -** Mayor Fraley

Mayor Fraley requested Council approval of Rick Fulton for a four-year term on the Berea Housing Authority Board to expire May 3, 2026.

Payne motioned; Wilson seconded motion to approve appointment of Rick Fulton for a four-year term on the Berea Housing Authority Board.

Voice Vote: All Ayes

**ETHICS BOARD APPOINTMENT -** Mayor Fraley

Mayor Fraley requested Council approval of Peggy Baker for a three-year term on the Berea Board of Ethics to expire May 3, 2025.

Payne motioned; Scenters seconded motion to approve appointment of Peggy Baker for a three-year term on the Berea Board of Ethics.

Voice Vote: All ayes

**ETHICS BOARD ALTERNATE APPOINTMENT -** Mayor Fraley

Mayor Fraley requested Council approval of Diane Kerby, as an alternate, for a one-year term on the Berea Board of Ethics to expire May 3, 2023.

Payne motioned; Caudill seconded motion to approve alternate appointment of Diane Kerby for a one-year term on the Berea Board of Ethics.

Voice Vote: All ayes

**ORDINANCE #08-2022 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BEREA, KENTUCKY, AMENDING THE 2021-2022 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF BEREA, ORDINANCE #05-2022 REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES. - 2ND READING**

Corporate Counsel, Gilbert, read Ordinance #08-2022 in entirety.

Caudill motioned; Startzman seconded motion to approve and adopt Ordinance #08-2022.

Roll Call Vote: All ayes

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT -** R. Beverly

* Administration’s focus remained on preparing the 2022-2023 budget. The First Reading was scheduled for June 7th.
* Nancy Conley, Berea Tourism Operations Manager, and Patrick Huston, Boone Tavern Hotel Assistant General Manager interviewed with the Lee & Haley tv show in promoting 12 Days of Mothers. Boone Tavern Hotel would be giving away an overnight stay & breakfast for the Mother’s Day event.
* Business Development would be hosting Fox 56 News at the end of May for a three-day visit of “What Makes Berea, Berea.” Fox 56 News was seeking small town / big charm stories about overcoming the pandemic and why small businesses choose Berea.
* The Pavilion sign should soon be ready and installed early next week.
* The Pavilion is open and available for renting. Excited to have the facility available to assist families and other event opportunities. Information regarding Pavilion reservations, fees, etc. had been posted on Berea’s website.

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* National Travel & Tourism Week was May 1st thru May 7th. Berea was excited to welcome back all motorcoach busses and travel tourist across the state and nationally.
* National Small Business Association Week was the week of May 2nd. Visit your favorite small business, shop, and “thank” the owners for choosing Berea to open in our city. Congratulations to Katie Startzman, Native Bagel Co., and the Mountain Association Finance Team for receiving their recent Small Business Awards.
* National Police Week would be celebrated the week of May 15th thru May 21st under President Kennedy’s decree to honor the men and women who risk their lives every day in the line of duty. It’s a time for police officers to honor their fallen colleagues, make sure those surviving were supported, as well as remember their commitment to keeping people safe. National Police Week is all about honor, gratitude, remembrance, servitude, and peer support. Please stop by the Berea Police Department and “thank an Officer.”
* The Parks Committee recommended moving forward with applying for a $900,000 block grant application to upgrade the City pool. Submission date was September 2022.

**MAYOR’S REPORT / COMMENTS**

* Two new Police Officers had been sworn-in, i.e., Stevie Wood and Austin Scholes. Both came as experienced Police Officers from the University of Kentucky Police Department. Happy to have them, looked forward to having them as part of Berea’s workforce.
* Recognized National weeks during the month of May, i.e., National Police Week, Traveling Tourism Week, Small Business Appreciation Week, and Municipal Clerks Week.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**Cora Wilson**  Happy Clerks Week to Robin. Congratulations to Katie. Thanked everyone who came tonight. Have a good week, enjoy it, spring is here.

**Payne** Shared Parks & Rec events, i.e., May 4th - Star Wars Trivia Night, May 7th - Kites Away, May 14th – Bark in the Park. Thanked everyone for coming out tonight.

**Caudill** Thank you to Robin, appreciated all she did and keeping them organized. Congrats to Katie and small businesses, another testament of a citizen’s dedication to our City. Enjoy Police Week, appreciated everything they do. Good meeting, thanks.

**Scenters** Thank you to all ‘National Weeks.’ Congratulations to Katie. Thank you to Robin. Appreciated everyone being at tonight’s meeting.

**Ronnie Terrill** Agreed with everyone’s comments.

**Startzman** As finishing her first year on Council, echoed thank you to Robin for cluing her in and being gracious during her learning curve. Thanked her for the work she does.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Caudill motioned; Wilson seconded motion to adjourn at 7:06 p.m.

Voice Vote: All ayes

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Mayor Bruce Fraley

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City Clerk