**BEREA CITY COUNCIL \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_ REGULAR MEETING \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ APRIL 4, 2023**

The Berea City Council met in regular session, Tuesday, April 4, 2023.

Mayor Bruce Fraley presiding.

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Jim Davis, Teresa Scenters, David Rowlette, Jerry Little, Steve Caudill,

Cora Wilson, Ronnie Terrill

**COUNCIL ABSENT:** Katie Startzman

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

Priscilla Bloom, Shawn Sandlin, Aaron Boycan

**INVOCATION:** Jim Davis

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Jim Davis

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Rowlette motioned; Caudill seconded motion to approve agenda.

Voice Vote: All ayes

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES - MARCH 21, 2023**

Little motioned; Caudill seconded motion to approve minutes as presented.

Voice Vote: All ayes

**CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH PROCLAMATION**

Mayor Fraley read proclamation and presented to Victoria Benge, Executive Director, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) for Children, Madison and Clark Counties.

Benge stated April was Prevent Child Abuse Month. The National symbol was a blue and silver pinwheel symbolizing a happy childhood that all children deserve to have. Encouraged everyone to attend the placing of 301 pinwheels, representing the number of neglected/abused children in Madison County in 2022, on Wednesday, April 12th, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., on the front lawn of Berea City Hall.

On a special note, June of 2022, Benge was named the National CASA Director of the Year, only the third time within the State of Kentucky over a period of 40+ years that a Kentucky Director had been granted this award.

**NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK PROCLAMATION**

Mayor Fraley read proclamation and presented to Wendy Lynch, Director, Madison County 911 Emergency Operations Center.

Lynch stated Telecommunicators Week was a good time for citizens to honor telecommunicators and first responders, and also noted the month of April was National 911 Education Month. In-Bound calls, for 2022 totaled 119,665. They had recently begun tracking training hours which currently totaled 856 hours for January, February, and March of 2023.

**ORDINANCE #02-2023 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BEREA, KENTUCKY, ADOPTING A SUPPLEMENT TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BEREA, KENTUCKY - 1st READING**

Corporate Counsel, Gilbert, read Ordinance #02-2023 entirety.

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**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

**Aaron Boycan, Major, Berea Police Department**

Thanked the telecommunicators as they could not do what they do without them.

March Activity

The Police Department was maintaining focus on proactive policing and traffic enforcement to increase safety. Visit their Facebook page for areas where increased enforcement would be occurring.

Shared March activity throughout the community which consisted of Collisions (31), Citations (163), Courtesy Warnings (21), Criminal Case Reports (34), Incident Reports (32), and Traffic Stops (297).

Speed Surveys

Speed Surveys had been conducted on Chestnut Street, Richmond Road, Big Hill, and Highway 1016. The speed detector signs seemed to alert drivers of their speed and also assisted the Police Department in determining focus areas to help reduce speeding.

Notable Projects

Work had begun on the new site for the Police Department’s firearms range. The new site, with an approximate 60 ft. tall natural barrier, would improve safety precautions allowing them to train at longer distances and to train more dynamically while maintaining safety.

Up-Coming Events

Spring Clean-up Day was scheduled for April 22, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Special Needs Gala Event was scheduled for May 5th.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT -** Rose Beverly

* Four bids were received for the Berea Industrial Park Expansion, Lot 7, opened on March 30th.

Kiefer’s Contracting & Excavating, LLC $ 429,955.60

Brown General Contractors, LLC $ 459,900.00

Standafer Builders, Inc. $ 971,348.00

H&B Construction $ 999,955.00

The City Engineer reviewed bids and qualifications. Beverly recommended City Council accept bid from Brown General Contractors, LLC, Georgetown, in the amount of $459,900.

Caudill motioned; Davis seconded motion to accept the bid from Brown General Contractors, LLC, for the Berea Industrial Park Expansion, Lot 7, in the amount of $459,900 for the Berea Industrial Park Expansion, Lot 7, excavation and site development.

Voice Vote: All ayes

* Berea Municipal Utilities (BMU) and Public Works issued a Request for Proposal for a budgeted 36” floor scrubber and walk behind sweeper, receiving only one bid, from Nilfisk, Inc., opened on March 28th. Bid had been reviewed and recommended by BMU and Public Works for purchasing the floor scrubber ($28,098.72), sweeper ($4,241.89), and both optional components

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($1,470.31) for a total purchase amount of $33,810.92.

Caudill motioned; Little seconded motion to approve purchase of the 36” floor scrubber, walk behind sweeper, and optional components, from Nilfisk, Inc., in the total amount of $33,810.92.

Voice Vote: All ayes

* One bid was received for Street Resurfacing, opened on April 3rd, from The Allen Co. Bid came in at $71.40/sq. yd. for base failure, $112.95/ton for paving, and $2.55/linear ft. for milling, for a proposed total amount of $812,991.90. Beverly recommended bid acceptance from The Allen Company.

Little motioned; Wilson seconded motion to accept bid for Street Resurfacing, The Allen Company, in the total amount of 812,991.90.

Voice Vote: All ayes

* City of Berea’s Spring Clean-Up, coinciding with Waste Connections normal trash pick-up schedule, was scheduled for the week of April 17th – April 21st. Waste Connections would need to be contacted for any bulk items and/or additional fees involved.

**MAYOR’S REPORT / COMMENTS**

* Shared Job Fair information for Motor Wheel Corp., scheduled for Thursday, April 27th, 1:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m., at the Russel Acton Folk Center, 212 West Jefferson Street.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**Terrill** No comment.

**Wilson** Thanked tonight’s presenters and all they do. Everybody have a happy Easter.

**Caudill** Both Proclamations tonight were very important and a good statement for the great work they do.

An honor for Benge to be the CASA National Executive Director of the Year. Although unfortunate that we have a need for Child Abuse Prevention, a blessing for the community of the services provided.

**Little** It is grass mowing time. Be careful not to blow grass in the streets providing safety and maintenance to not block drains.

**Rowlette** Thanked all who came tonight and to those listening. Congratulations to Benge, quite an honor to receive a National award. Encouraged everyone to take advantage of the Spring Clean-Up, help clean up the community so tourists and others can appreciate the community as much as we do.

**Scenters** Ditto on ‘thank you’ to all presenters and the important work they do, and on the Spring Clean-Up. Glad to see the Dogwoods and Redbuds blooming. Asked when we were going to be able to drive on the new bypass. Per Mayor Fraley, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet’s target date was the end of June.

**Davis** Congratulated presenters, i.e., Benge, good deal, and 911 Telecommunicators, thank you. Congratulated Boycan for promotion to Major. Thanked Boycan, Police Chief, and Police Department for being proactive and visible. Good work.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Scenters motioned; Wilson seconded motion to adjourn at 7:20 p.m.

Voice Vote: All ayes

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Mayor Bruce Fraley

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City Clerk