# City of Blue Ridge Manor Meeting Minutes January 22, 2018

Next Meeting: <u>February 26, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.</u> at the Middletown Fire Department Station Div. 2, 10217 Shelbyville Road.

#### In Attendance:

Carla Kreitman, Mayor
Hans Klose, Mayor Pro Tem
Ken Conliffe, Commissioner
Porter Lady, Commissioner
Art Sims, Commissioner
Stan Chauvin, City Attorney
Elizabeth McDaniel, Clerk/Treasurer
Phyllis Santos – Blue Rose

### **Call to Order**

The regular monthly meeting of the City of Blue Ridge Manor was held at the Middletown Fire Department, Division 2. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Mayor Carla Kreitman.

### **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

The Commission reviewed the minutes from the previous regular meeting in November. Mayor Kreitman asked the Commissioners if they had corrections or additions. There being none, Commissioner Lady moved that the minutes be approved as submitted. Commissioner Sims seconded the motion; the motion carried and the minutes were approved.

The Commission reviewed the minutes from the Special Meeting in December held for the purpose of reviewing the Audit Summary Report submitted by McIntyre & Wooldridge PLLC. Mayor Kreitman asked the Commissioners if they had corrections or additions. There being none, Commissioner Conliffe moved that the minutes be approved as submitted. Commissioner Sims seconded the motion; the motion carried and the minutes were approved.

#### Treasurer's Report

Clerk/Treasurer McDaniel distributed and read aloud the Balance Sheet and detail of revenues and expenses for the previous month. She noted that detailed information is available to the public upon request. Mrs. McDaniel explained that per a recommendation from the audit, interest from the city's certificate of deposits will be added to the financial reports as accrued. Mayor Kreitman asked if there were any questions or discussion about the reports. There being none, Commissioner Sims moved that the reports be approved as submitted. Commissioner Lady seconded the motion; motion carried and the reports were approved.

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#### **Business**

- City Attorney Stan Chauvin III updated the Commission on the lawsuit filed by Metro Government against the Home Rule Cities last year after the Kentucky General Assembly last year remade the solid waste board and gave the small cities veto-power over the district's solid waste and recycling policies. In his Dec. 28 decision, Franklin Circuit Court Judge Phillip J. Shepherd declared that law largely unconstitutional because only applied to Louisville and Jefferson County, something that the state constitution does not allow. The law also defeated the purpose of a 27-year-old state law that requires regional planning and management of solid waste. Judge Shepherd noted that dozens of municipal municipalities with the authority to create their own solid waste policies defeats the entire purpose of centralized planning for solid waste disposal within each county. Shepherd's ruling, however, upheld the General Assembly's expanded make-up of Louisville's solid waste board, which gives small cities and waste haulers a voice in the board. Attorney Chauvin said it is not likely the decision will be appealed.
- Mayor Kreitman announced that BRM resident Ingra Krebs is providing administrative support in the office with property tax bill filing and other duties. Ms. Krebs will be working approximately 10 hours per week at a rate of \$12 per hour.
- Mayor Kreitman received a second bid from Ground Tech to clean up the property
  on Afton Road that is overgrown and in disrepair. The Mayor will present the bids to
  the homeowner to choose or to select his own workers to clean up the property. If
  he declines to do that, the City will select a vendor to do the work and present the
  bill to the homeowner.
- City Attorney Chauvin presented City of Blue Ridge Manor Ordinance No. 1, Series 2018 related to Registration of Rental Property to the Commission for a second reading. The ordinance states that all rental properties within the city must register each year with the city, submit an application, and pay a registration/permit fee. The main purpose of the Ordinance is to have information on file regarding landlords/owners of rental properties in the event of issues or Ordinance violations, such as lack of maintenance of the property. The Ordinance also contains penalties in the event of non-compliance. The Commission agreed that the yearly application fee would be \$250. Commissioner Lady made a motion that the Commission approve the ordinance as written. Mayor Kreitman seconded the motion. The motion carried and the ordinance was approved. Mayor Kreitman will publish the ordinance in the next newsletter.
- Mayor Kreitman reported that the Light Up the Park event was a success great weather, great turnout, and the lights in the park looked fantastic. Landshapes added an inflatable Charlie Brown/Snoopy display and had an "angel" with lighted wings on hand to take photos with citizens.
- Mayor Kreitman noted that the next community event will be our BRM Citizen Appreciation Day on Sunday, February 18 at the Middletown Fire Department Division 2 from 2:00-5:00 PM.

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### **Commissioner Reports**

#### Ken Conliffe - Public Works & Sanitation

Commissioner Conliffe noted that yard waste pick-up will resume on March 15, 2018. He suggested we ask residents to let us know if they have difficulty reaching Republic Services or getting their needs addresses. He reported that, for some unknown reason, Republic did not pick up the trash from all the single-family homes but he contacted Republic and they sent out a second truck to remedy the situation.

Commissioner Conliffe reported that the surveyor has put together the plats from the survey on Rosewood Drive for presentation to the Metro Planning and Development (P&D) Committee. He is waiting to hear P&D's specific requirements for approval of the plats (signatures, etc).

Commissioner Conliffe said that a resident reported a hole in the road that was compromising a gas line. He investigated the area and could not find a hole but did note that the curb has been worn down by traffic.

Hans Klose - Public Property & Finance: No report.

Art Sims - Public Safety: No report.

#### Porter Lady - Parks & Recreation:

Commissioner Lady reported that the city won a tree in a drawing held at the Jefferson County League of Cities' holiday dinner. The plan if for the tree to be planted in Hardesty Park near the playground on January 31, weather permitting.

Commissioner Lady met with Sue Lentz, Phyllis Santos and Debbie Williams regarding the sign at the Shelby Pointe entrance off Moser Road. The sign is in disrepair and so Commissioner Lady received two bids for the work from Mike Perry and from Kingsbury Construction. Mike Perry has done a great deal of work in Plainview on their entrances. His bid was \$12,500 and involves bricking over the existing structure. Kingsbury has done work previously in BRM and submitted a bid of \$10,180 to completely rebuild the entrance structure. Electrical work and signage for the structure would be separate vendors/bids. Commissioner Lady said he would gather more information on proposed costs to present at the next Commission meeting.

Mayor Kreitman noted that Verizon sent a letter asking to dig trenches in the city's easements and has requested a response. Attorney Chauvin will look into the matter and report back with a recommendation.

There being no further business, Commissioner Conliffe moved that the meeting be adjourned. Commissioner Sims seconded the motion; the motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Carla Kreitman, Mayor

M. Elizabeth McDaniel, Clerk/Treasure

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