

City of Blue Ridge Manor

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BLUE RIDGE MEETING MINUTES JULY 25, 2011

NEXT MEETING DATE: August 22, 2011

The regular monthly meeting of the City of Blue Ridge Manor, Ky. was held on July 25, 2011 at the Trinity Presbyterian Church. The meeting came to order at 7:30pm, Mayor Mike Ober presiding.

The following were present:

Mike Ober, Mayor
Hans J. Klose, Deputy Mayor
Fred A. Nicoulin, City Clerk
Robert Carter, City Treasurer
Julie Colucci - Commissioner
Porter Lady - Commissioner

Carla Kreitman - Commissioner
Stan Chauvin III - City Attorney
Roger Lanning - Dorsey Village
Valerie Thomas - Dorsey Village
Art Sims - Blue Ridge Manor
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Prior to the meeting, Mayor Ober distributed the meeting minutes of June 27th and the special meeting minutes of July 13th to all the Commissioners. Upon the review of these minutes the Mayor asked if there were any objections or corrections to be made. All were in favor of both minutes to be approved as read. Porter Lady made a motion to accept the minutes. Julie Colucci seconded it. Motion carried.

Bob Carter, Treasurer, gave his report. Carla Kreitman made a motion that the financial report be approved. Julie Colucci seconded the motion. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

SIGNING OF THE NEW ORDINANCES - Chapter 33 – No's. - 33.01, 33.02, 33.03

The next order of business was the execution of the new Ordinances.

- Ordinance No. 3 Series 2011 – Duties and Responsibilities of the Commissioner Departments
- Ordinance No. 4 Series 2011 – City Treasurer/Tax Administrator duties and responsibilities
- Ordinance No. 5 Series 2011 – City Clerk duties and responsibilities
- Ordinance No. 6 Series 2011 – City Attorney duties and responsibilities
- Ordinance No. 7 Series 2011 – Compensation Plan for Commissioners and Mayor Pro Tem

All of the above Ordinances were affixed with Mayor Ober's signature. Originals will be in the possession of City attorney, Stan Chauvin and copies kept on file with Mayor Ober.

NEW DUTIES ORDINANCE

With reference to Ordinance No. 3 Series 2011 outlining the duties and responsibilities of the Commissioner Departments, Mayor Ober suggested that all four commissioners meet to discuss and decide which commissioner would like to supervise one of the four departments as described in the May 23rd monthly minutes and submit a recommendation at the next monthly meeting.

MSD UPDATE

Mayor Ober reported that since the last monthly meeting the drainage issue at Shelbyville Road and Dorsey Way took a serious development that required emergency handling. The wall in this location collapsed and a MSD emergency crew were called in to repair the site. Repairs were required with pouring concrete to fill up the gap as well as placing a concrete cap over it to prevent any further incidents. MSD will continue to finish the repairs till it is completed. Once it has, there will be a discussion to proceed with upgrading and beautifying the area. Roger Lanning commented how well the job has been done so far and MSD workers were very accommodating to any requests made by the resident's officials. Roger's only concern would be possible graffiti and skateboarding on the new repairs.

Mayor Ober continued his discussion with some drainage concerns that are near the single family homes that also have some flooding issues and he reassured the Commissioners that all these will be addressed with the MSD.

UPDATE ON DORSEY VILLAGE ENTRANCE WAY

Mayor Ober met with the Board members of Dorsey Village concerning the construction of the Village's entrance way. Roger Lanning and Valerie Thomas also submitted the contractor's proposal for the construction of the sign that will be located at the end of South Dorsey. Mayor Ober reminded the Commissioners that once construction is complete, all entrance signs to: Shelby Pointe, Dorsey Station, and Dorsey Village should be sealed with a protective application that would prevent any graffiti as well as keeping it maintained from any weathering damages. Mayor ober is collecting bids for this upkeep maintenance. Robert Carter also commented that at the annual meeting of Dorsey Station the Board is pursuing the upgrade of landscaping only and would not be a part of this bid for upkeep maintenance to the entrance way.

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

Mayor Ober was informed of some newsworthy efforts by some of the City of Blue Ridge residents. It appears that Jim Catinna had some assistance with neighbors to construct a ramp for his wife who has Alzheimer's and is confined to a wheelchair. The Mayor suggested that the newsletter staff contact Jim for further details and have something in the Fall issue regarding their accomplishments.

KAREM & KAREM PICK-UP SERVICE REVIEW

Copies of the revised Karem & Karem Pick-up Service proposal were distributed among the commissioners. Mayor Ober advised the commissioners to review it for discussion at the next monthly meeting. This would include service to the City of Blue Ridge Manor with all entities. There was also mention of only two bad locations for litter pick-up:

- South Dorsey Lane – (owned by Dorsey Village)
- Moser Road location

STREET SWEEPER BID

Bob Carter received a quote for a street sweeper service. Their service will provide clean-up for every road, including Trinity Presbyterian Church, bi-annually. It will not include parking areas, and the Middletown fire department. The service would be twice a year, November 1st and April 30th in the amount of \$1, 245.00. Mr. Carter will supply complete information at the next monthly meeting. He also added that he will research to see if there could be some State funding available since the Litter Abatement funding has been dissolved.

PROPERTY TAX REVENUE UPDATE

Fred Nicoulin reported that he sent out letters to those residents that have past due property taxes. Attorney, Stan Chauvin mentioned that he will send out a letter to the delinquent property tax payers when they are nine months past due, along with a copy of a lien. The normal process once this is done is that a third party will have the option to buy up the delinquent liens and foreclose.

Stan also passed a letter among the commissioners that was sent to Mr. Metcalf located on Dorsey Way regarding the Hardesty Park Construction that was to take place near his residence.

Hans Klose inquired about the proper closing of the Municipal Park each evening in order to restrict children from hanging around. Mayor Ober commented that the police on duty should be doing this. Mayor Ober commented that he would like to discuss this further at a later date. Hans was also concerned about proper lighting for the park to also restrict any unruly activity. Mayor Ober also indicated that the parking area will be enclosed and the lighting will also be discussed at a later date as well.

SUMMER PICNIC DISCUSSION

Carla Kreitman who is in charge of the Summer Picnic reported that so far she is still within her budget. There has been an initial contact with a five piece band that would perform between 5 – 7pm and if they confirm to be there this would probably place her budget over approximately \$500. Everyone was in agreement that this would be a worthy investment to proceed as necessary. The fliers have been printed and will be ready for mail delivery on August 1st.

NEW BUSINESS

ETHICS ORDINANCE

Mayor Ober distributed copies of the City of Blue Ridge Manor Ethics Ordinance to the commissioners. He requested that each review and make notes of any updates or changes that should be considered. He stated that the City is required to view this particular ordinance every five years. One of the stipulations of this ordinance is to have an ethics officer and a member board of three. Mayor Ober also commented that he could talk to the Douglas Hills Board in order to get some input. Attorney Stan Chauvin recommended to form our own board and to proceed ahead without this consideration. Mayor Ober will review this again at the next monthly meeting with the Commissioners.

RESIDENTIAL MAINTENANCES ORDINANCE

Attorney, Stan Chauvin has prepared a draft of a residential maintenance ordinance. This ordinance would allow the City of Blue Ridge Manor to enforce the upkeep and maintenance of resident's personal property. This ordinance will need an officer to properly supervise and maintain its guidelines. Mayor Ober requested the commissioners to consider this ordinance with some deep thought for further discussion. Roger Lanning addressed the issue of citations being served when this ordinance would be violated by a condominium owner. The question was who would be served, the owner or the Condo Association? Mr. Chauvin responded that both should be served. Roger Lanning then posed the question regarding businesses. Mayor Ober commented that he would like to have the resident ordinance properly in place before addressing the commercial issue which would be a totally separate ordinance.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

SAFETY/ROAD MAINTENANCE – HANS KLOSE

Hans stated that the new signs have been installed where needed. He has also received an estimate for the entrance signs for the wall and will submit copies to Mayor Ober.

SANITATION/STORM SEWERS – JULIE COLUCCI

Julie reported that the trash pickup has been handled well with one exception. On one occasion a small bit of confusion involved the oversight of several recycle bins from being picked up. This was due to the late arrival of the first of three trash vehicles that are required to pick up trash, recyclables and tree branches consecutively. This type of incident could occur from time to time but the overall pick up service has been very good.

DORSEY VILLAGE /FRONT ENTRANCE – CARLA KREITMAN

Carla reported that the front entrance irrigation system broke down while watering the front area. She and her children finished the project manually. She also reported that the system has now been repaired.

PARKS & RECREATION – PORTER LADY

Porter Lady reported that he is still working with Chism to correct the water service problem in the Municipal Park. With further investigation and without damaging too much of the landscape, Porter believes that he will hopefully be able to use the water line by the children’s play yard and near Mr. Jim Catinna’s house. He will keep the Board updated with his findings.

Porter also reported of two Boy Scout projects that will involve the Municipal Park. They are:

- The construction of a bat house. There are two possible locations for this and that would be the volley ball court area and the children’s play yard.
- Scouts will lay some rubberized mulch; repair plastic netting on the children’s sliding board. In September or October the scouts will assist in three tree plantings and installing one or two wooden benches.

Bob Carter also informed the commissioners that he contacted John Ackerson who is with LG&E that have a program for planting trees in a public area that is free. He also is checking with the Center for Neighborhoods that donates sculptured art.

There being no further business, the Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Julie Colucci moved for adjournment. Carla Kreitman seconded it. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm.

Fred A. Nicoulin, City Clerk

Mike Ober, Mayor