

City of Blue Ridge Manor

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BLUE RIDGE MEETING MINUTES May 23, 2011

NEXT MEETING DATE: June 27, 2011

The regular monthly meeting of the City of Blue Ridge Manor, Ky. was held on May 23, 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
Stan Chauvin II – City Attorney
Debra Wegner – Shelby Pointe
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Mayor Ober proceeded to read the minutes of the April 25th meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

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

The first reading of the Tax and Budget Ordinances were introduced by Mayor Ober. He indicated that the second reading and voting to accept these ordinances will take place at the June 27th monthly meeting. A copy of said ordinances is attached to these minutes.

OLD BUSINESS

REVIEW OF NEW ORDINANCE (City Official Duties)

Mayor Ober reported that Carla Kreitman who was scheduled to give this review was unable to attend the meeting due to a business conflict. In her absence, Stan Chauvin, City Attorney, agreed to highlight some of revisions to be made. These revisions are still in the process of being finalized. He also indicated that the original Ordinances had some very valuable codes that continue to pertain to City government policies and recommended that they be maintained by the City.

Stan cited the Ordinance to be revised:

Ordinance #32011 – This ordinance will amend code #33.02. Under this code, specific Departments are required. These Departments and Committees will be supervised by a specific Commissioner who will be directed to do so under their duties of responsibility.

Stan continued to outline the specific Departments:

1. **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PROPERTY AND FINANCE**
2. **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY/ SANITATION & WORKS**
3. **DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND BEAUTIFICATION**
4. **DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS**

Stan briefly reviewed the duties and responsibilities of each of these Departments.

Stan and Carla will be prepared for the second reading at the June meeting.

MSD UPDATE

Mayor Ober announced to date there were no drainage issues. Porter Lady reported that he reviewed the turning lane area where drainage has been a major problem. He stated that there are actually 4 drains at this location and they appeared to have some sort of blockage. During his investigation he discovered rotted vegetation and huge rocks. He was able to clear out most of it with a probe but there remains some undetectable blockage. He recommended cutting a 1” wide gap in the center of the concrete drain allowing water to flow without collecting in one area. Mayor Ober thanked Porter for his recommendations and would take this under advisement at his next meeting with MSD.

UPDATE ON DORSEY VILLAGE ENTRANCE WAY

Roger Lanning has enlisted a general contractor to review and submit estimates on the entrance way construction. Mayor Ober will have these estimates and the suggested location of the entrance way at the next monthly meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Before the next order of business, Bob Carter submitted some new information regarding litter pick up options for the City to consider. One of the suggestions given at the last meeting was to explore a street cleaning service. Bob contacted a vendor who provides this service and asked for an estimate, which has not been received. He will continue to pursue this option.

He also contacted Brightside and was informed that the Church of the Nazarene is preparing a Day of Community Service. A group of members from the Church will form teams to clean up any city park, church area and along subdivision streets. The Church of Nazarene will provide a certificate of Insurance for Liability purposes. The event will take place July 6th. The City of Blue Ridge submitted a proposal for this Community Service event. This service is also free to those who have applied through the proposal process.

REVIEW/DISCUSSION OF CITY PRIVATE AND PUBLIC PROPERTY

Mike presented to the commissioners an enlarged map outlining public and private property within the City of Blue Ridge boundaries. It also included Dorsey Station, the Shopping Center, Dorsey Village, Shelby Pointe and Rosewood entities.

Discussions continued in order to clarify the distinction between public and private property and the City's responsibility to maintain roadways under these circumstances. It was mentioned that in the early stages of development of each entity one important factor did not occur. Builders did not provide funding for any upkeep or maintenance of roadways which was required by law. Key issues to be considered at this time for all roadways will be:

- City of Blue Ridge needs to assist and work as a team with each entity by providing a plan of financial support.
- To approach a happy medium when defining financial support. That definition would be "any roadway that supports traffic" within the City boundaries should be supported with City Funding.

Other areas of discussion that was pursued were:

- Eleven (11) entities are now within the City boundaries of Blue Ridge. What is the City's responsibility if a building is in financial trouble?
- What type of legal action would the City need to take to protect the City's interest in these matters?

Mayor Ober thanked everyone for their input and tabled this issue for further study in order to prepare a plan of action for the City.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

PARKS & RECREATION – PORTER LADY

Porter gave an update on the park projects now in process.

- New trees will be planted within a 2 week time frame
- Irrigation service to the park should be installed soon
- Tiger Paw cleared out a 60 foot tree that had fallen
- Water fountain will also be installed along with the irrigation service
- Will be mulching particular needed areas due to the excessive rainfall

SANITATION/STORM SEWERS – JULIE COLUCCI

Julie reported that she had no concerns to report at this time.

SAFETY/ROAD MAINTENANCE – HANS KLOSE

Hans reported that he had no concerns to report at this time.

DORSEY VILLAGE /FRONT ENTRANCE – CARLA KREITMAN

Mayor Ober reported on Carla’s behalf that she would like to incorporate the City Picnic and the Hardesty Park Dedication for August 28th. This would be on a Sunday from 1 – 6pm. All were in favor of this request. Stan Chauvin put this in the form of a motion. Julie Colucci seconded it. Motion carried.

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

Meeting was adjourned at 9:05pm.

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