

**CITY OF BARBOURMEADE**  
3409 Hillvale Road  
Louisville, Kentucky 40241

*City Commissioners*

Bryan Coomer  
Lisa Crockett  
Anne Jay  
Dan Streit

Mayor  
**Kim Holsclaw**

*City Treasurer*  
David B. Butke  
*City Clerk*  
Erica L. Albrecht  
*City Attorney*  
L. Stanley Chauvin  
*City Engineer*  
Robert T. Trautwein

**Monthly City Meeting**  
**April 16, 2007**

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Mayor Holsclaw opened the meeting at 7:31 pm. The meeting was held at Springdale Presbyterian Church. All Commission members and appointed City officials were present with the exception of City Engineer Trautwein.

**ATTENDANCE**

Residents of the City of Barbourmeade

Pat Harris of 3612 Breeland Avenue (412-0657)  
Stephanie Copeland of 3413 Nandina Drive (426-4981)  
Emil & Lois Collier of 3201 Morningview Drive (426-7878)  
Jon Snyder of 3512 Sorrento Avenue (339-1688)  
Ton & Wynne Budniak of 3505 Barbour Lane (425-0750)  
Jeff Schafflein of 3523 Sorrento Avenue (425-6760)  
Gene Heimerdinger of 8201 Dinah Way (426-4109)  
Larry Ducker of 7804 Crown Top Road (426-1098)  
John Schildt of 7809 Circle Crest Road (326-4177)  
David Crittenden of 7915 Brownsboro Road (235-5697)  
Jim Cockrum of 3505 Pinecone Circle (339-7881)  
Lisa Archer of 3306 Barbour Lane (327-0349)  
Steve West of 8309 Easton Lane (426-7871)

Guest

Mike Bewley of 9007 Laughton Lane (426-6330)

**MEETING MINUTES**

Minutes of the March meeting were reviewed, corrected, accepted and signed by the Mayor. Mayor Holsclaw made a motion to accept the minutes as amended, Commissioner Coomer seconded the motion. All were in favor.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

City Treasurer Dave Butke presented the treasurer's report. He reviewed interest rates on the City's financial assets. He also reported that there were still 3 tax bills outstanding. Commissioner Jay made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, with approval pending audit. Commissioner Coomer seconded the motion. All were in favor.

**ORDINANCES - BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

Bills for the month of February were prepared by Treasurer Butke and copies were given to the Commission. Commissioner Coomer stated concern over the looks of the island at Alpena Way and Brownsboro Vista and commented that he did not think that the island looked pleasing. Commissioner Jay stated that at his suggestion, she had Greenscapes remove all the plantings from the island and add more dirt in the island to raise it closer to the edge of the curb. Commissioner Jay further stated that work had been done within one month of Commissioner Coomer expressing concern over the looks of the island and Commissioner Jay noted that she has been asking him for over 2 years to do something about the City's delapidated signage and he has yet to address that issue. Commissioner Coomer stated that he thought the island still looked unattractive. Commissioner Coomer commented that he could improve the looks of the island. Commissioner Jay instructed Commissioner Coomer not to do anything to the island since Beautification was her department. Mayor Holsclaw commented that she thought the island looked okay. Commissioner Crockett also stated that she thought it looked okay and would start to look better in a year or two when the plants have filled in. She further stated that she felt that plants with color could help improve the looks of the island. Commissioner Streit commented that he thought the island looked fine. Commissioner Jay asked Commissioner Coomer what the amount was for the bill he had submitted for snow removal during the March meeting. Commissioner Coomer did not have the invoice with him.

**MIKE BEWLEY with ENALYSIS**

Mayor Holsclaw invited Mr. Mike Bewley from Enalysis to speak. He explained that he provides surveying services to non-profit organizations and guarantees a high response rate. He passed on some information from a survey done for the City of Chesterfield. He explained that for a City the size of Barbourmeade, he would expect they would go house to house and call people on the phone to get the survey completed. The cost would

be \$450 for a questionnaire that would be 2-3 pages in length. He answered some questions from the Commissioners and stated that he would expect the questionnaire to include 14-20 questions. He stated that he would need 2-4 hours of time from the Commission to help develop the questions. He also stated that if he was given 2-3 months to complete the survey, he would expect around 420 homes to respond.

### **RESIDENT LARRY DUCKER**

Commissioner Coomer asked Mayor Holsclaw if Mr. Ducker could speak since due to his illness he can not sit for long periods of time. Mayor Holsclaw noted that Mr. Ducker had not notified the City Clerk in the required time frame to speak at the meeting, she noted that she would allow him to speak and encouraged him to keep his comments brief. Mr. Ducker stated that he sent out an email to all Commission Members regarding the budget process. He only heard back from 2 Commissioners. He stated that he thinks \$20,000 is too much budget for commissioners to be responsible for. Mayor Holsclaw stated that the state regulates that anything over \$20,000 be publicly bid. She further stated that the City is in compliance with all those regulations. Mr. Ducker also requested that the agenda for the meeting be posted on the internet. Commissioner Crockett stated that she had not responded to Mr. Ducker's email yet because she had been out of town on spring break. Commissioner Crockett responded to Mr. Ducker's questions regarding budget and summarized some information from the City minutes from the March meeting that related to Sanitation budget. Mayor Holsclaw stated to Mr. Ducker that she thought that in general most Commissioners do get multiple bids for large expenditures under \$20,000. Commissioner Streit stated that he did not respond to Mr. Ducker's email because he felt that most of the items Mr. Ducker was inquiring about were items that were covered during City meetings, he further stated that he would encourage Mr. Ducker to attend the City meetings if he is interested in the budget process and other City issues.

### **SANITATION**

Commissioner Crockett stated that at the last meeting the Commission voted to renew Rumpke's contract by using the optional one year extension included in the existing contract. She reported that the biggest issue with yard waste is that residents are not bundling items together that are not in containers. She stated that she has spoken with Rumpke regarding this and it appears that Rumpke is going to get more strict in terms of not picking yard waste up that is not bundled. She further stated that she was going to talk with Rumpke regarding providing green containers for yard waste.

### **ROADS & MAINTENANCE**

Commissioner Coomer stated that over the past weekend there was a teenager who did damage to residents mailboxes / street lights / landscaping. He stated that he has the name of the individual who did the damage, he was arrested. He also stated that there was damage done to City property. Resident Steve West commented that he had damage to his property. Mayor Holsclaw commented that she had spoken with Graymoor-Devondale regarding the issue though Metro had responded to the call when the incident occurred. After a discussion, it was decided that Commissioner Coomer will work with residents who had damage to their property and send a letter to the person responsible for the damage on behalf of the residents and include the City in the letter.

### **ANIMALS**

Commissioner Coomer stated that he had nothing to report. Commissioner Jay asked Commissioner Coomer if he had spoken with Metro Health Services regarding mosquito control for the year. He stated that he had not contacted them, but he would.

### **BEAUTIFICATION**

Commissioner Jay reported that she met with the residents who live behind the Pompano and Coronado entryway regarding the overgrown lilac and taxus bushes. Commissioner Jay stated that the bushes are a safety issue since they encroach over the pavement. She stated that if the bushes were trimmed back, they would look unattractive and she felt that aesthetics should be considered since the bushes are at the end of a main City entryway. The residents feel that the area is City right of way and they should not be financially responsible for the area. She stated that she had received an estimate from Greenscapes for \$2,000 to have everything removed and Leyland cypress trees planted in the area. Commissioner Jay made a motion that the City remove the lilac bushes and have the cypress trees planted. Mayor Holsclaw commented that the City could have the shrubs removed since it is a safety issue, however if the City plants something there it opens up the issue to be a concern in other areas. Commissioner Streit stated that he thinks the residents should have to pay to have something planted in the shrubs place. Commissioner Coomer stated that he thinks the City should have the lilacs pruned back and then see how the area looks. Commissioner Jay responded and stated that the lilac bushes are a maintenance issue for the City because they have to be trimmed regularly. After more discussion,

Commissioner Jay opted to table the motion. Mayor Holsclaw recommended that Commissioner Jay speak to the residents about complete removal, but no replacement.

## **INSURANCE**

Commissioner Streit had nothing to report.

## **SAFETY**

Commissioner Streit reported that he is concerned that the City is not getting enough patrols by the school. He reviewed the report from Graymoor-Devondale: a gun had been stolen from an unlocked car, there were 2 people cited for soliciting, there was a citation given for speeding and 2 citations for running stop signs. He also discussed the issue of the large spruce tree on the Ennenbach's property. It was stated the tree is not within City right of way, however the tree impede vision at the intersection. Commissioner Streit stated that Ms. Ennenbach has agreed to have the tree removed. Commissioner Streit made a motion that the City remove the tree and have the area seeded at total cost of no more than \$300. Commissioner Jay seconded the motion. Commissioners Streit and Jay voted yes. Mayor Holsclaw, Commissioners Coomer and Crockett voted no. Mayor Holsclaw suggested City Attorney Chauvin send a copy of the maintenance of premise ordinance to Ms. Ennenbach.

## **CITY ATTORNEY**

City Attorney Chauvin discussed the Board of Ethics. He stated that there would be 5 members, including a chairperson, and 1-2 additional alternates. City Attorney Chauvin performed the second reading of Ordinance No. 19 in summary form. Mayor Holsclaw made a motion to pass the ordinance with the exception of the language under Section 20(B) would be modified to remove references to a political party. Commissioner Streit seconded the motion, all were in favor. City Attorney Chauvin also explained that a board needed to be developed within 60 days from April 16<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Holsclaw opened the floor up to nominees. Each nominee spoke briefly to the Commission. Self-Nominees that were present included: Pat Harris, David Crittenden, John Schildt, Tom Budniak, Jeff Schafflein, Jim Cochrum, Lisa Archer. Larry Ducker was present, but had to leave early. Commissioner Coomer stated that he had a phone conversation with Mr. Ducker and Mr. Ducker expressed interest in serving on the Board of Ethics. Based on his discussion with Mr. Ducker, Commissioner Coomer nominated him. Self-Nominees that were not present included: Janet Nall, James Coleman and Bonnie Bloom. Commissioner Crockett made a motion that the City close the nominations. Commissioner Coomer seconded, all were in favor.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Mayor Holsclaw reported on the sidewalk along Barbour Lane. She explained that she spoke with Kelly Downard's office regarding some of the questions that had been brought up regarding the possibility of adding a sidewalk. Downard's office stated that in terms of who is responsible for maintenance of the sidewalk – they said according to Metro's ordinance, the homeowner is responsible. In terms of liability for the sidewalk – they said they would not give out legal advice. In regards to the question of east side vs. west side – they stated that based on what Metro Public works reviewed, they felt that the east side was preferable because there was more useable property on that side. She also asked them about adding a sidewalk on the bridge over I-71. Downard's office stated that they view that as Phase 2 of the project. Mayor Holsclaw stated that she would try to check into some of the issues more by talking with other small cities similar to Barbourmeade.

Commissioners Crockett and Jay reported on the sign replacement project. Commissioner Crockett stated that they had completed writing the bid notice for the paper and that Attorney Chauvin would place the ad in the paper and hopefully bids would be received by the next meeting.

The issue of publishing a new directory was discussed and it was decided to include consent information with the June newsletter and post some information about it on the website.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Holsclaw stated the reports for the June newsletter should be given to the City Clerk by the May meeting. Mayor Holsclaw also stated that submissions received after the May meeting would not be published.

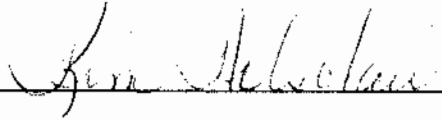
Mayor Holsclaw invited Gene Heimerdinger to speak. Mr. Heimerdinger stated that he had some questions regarding the language of Ordinance No. 13. He had seen the summary in the paper. City Attorney Chauvin explained that the new ordinances went into effect on February 13<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Holsclaw stated that the City will be sending a letter to all the residents informing them of the codified ordinances.

Mr. Schildt discussed the issue of the fence on Mr. Thom's property. City Attorney Chauvin explained to him that the City can not get into litigation issues between neighbors. Mayor Holsclaw stated to him that from the City's view, the City has no legal basis to address the issue.

Mayor Holsclaw passed out a copy of the proposed letter to send to residents regarding the new ordinances along with a brief summary of each ordinance for the commission to review and send any additions to her within the next two days. She asked for the Commission's input and comments on the letter by Wednesday, April 18.

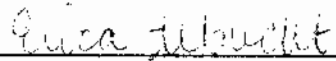
There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Holsclaw made a motion to adjourn and Commissioner Streit seconded the motion. All were in favor. Mayor Holsclaw adjourned the meeting at 10:28 p.m.

*Kim Holsclaw, Mayor*



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*Attest: Erica L. Albrecht, City Clerk*



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