

City Commissioners  
**Dan Streit**  
**Tom Budniak**  
**Pam Ward**  
**Lisa Crockett**

**CITY OF BARBOURMEADE**  
P.O. Box 6525  
Louisville, Kentucky 40206-6525  
[www.barbourmeade.org](http://www.barbourmeade.org)

Mayor  
**Bryan Coomer**

City Treasurer  
**Chris Russell**  
City Clerk  
**Brian Davis**  
City Attorney  
**L. Stanley Chauvin**  
City Engineer  
**Robert T. Trautwein**

---

Monthly City Meeting  
Monday, August 17, 2015

Mayor Coomer opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. The following commissioners and officials were present: Mayor Bryan Coomer, Commissioner Pam Ward, Commissioner Dan Streit, Commissioner Tom Budniak, Commissioner Lisa Crockett, City Clerk Brian Davis, City Treasurer Chris Russell, and City Engineer Ted Trautwein.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Officer Link, Paul Adams, Jeannie Johnston, Rick Wimsatt Sherry Steier, and Mark Bright.

#### **JULY 2015 MEETING MINUTES**

On a motion by Commissioner Streit, and seconded by Commissioner Budniak, the minutes for the July 2015 meeting were approved as amended by a vote of 5-0.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The financial report for July 2015 was read by City Treasurer Russell. Commissioner Streit made a motion to approve the financial report. Commissioner Budniak seconded. The motion passed on a vote of 5-0.

#### **WARRANTS – BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

Mayor Coomer presented the warrants for August 2015 (Warrants 08-01 through 08-09). Commissioner Ward requested to add 08-10 in the amount of \$44.52 payable to herself to cover costs of copies of the Reach Alert flyer. Mayor Coomer stated he would like to hold off on the vote until after he presents the Mayor's Report.

#### **PUBLIC ITEMS**

Paul Adams, 7811 Crown Top Road, mentioned that there are ongoing drainage problems on his property. This year has been particularly bad, as there have been prolonged periods of standing water in his ditch which prohibits him from mowing. City Engineer Trautwein said Mr. Adams should contact MSD and allow them to address the issue. If they can install a proper ditch it will help move a lot of water and reduce the problem on Mr. Adams' property.

Jeannie Johnston, 3604 Foxglove Lane, stated that the issue regarding grass growing between her new fence and a neighbor's fence has been resolved and that her new fence was nearly completed. She thanked the city for their guidance.

Rick Wimsatt, 3601 Nandina Drive, asked about trimming the ornamental grass in the triangle at the Barbour Lane-Barbourmeade Road intersection. The grass not only covers the Barbourmeade entrance sign also effects site distance for those attempting to turn out of the intersection. Commissioner Budniak stated he has noticed this and it will be trimmed soon.

Mr. Wimsatt also recommended the city consider reconfiguring the intersection to a more traditional entrance. While he appreciates the character of the triangle it can be confusing for drivers.

Sherry Steier, 3314 Brownsboro Vista Drive, stated she had an item to discuss but is waiting on her brother to arrive.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

The Mayor reported on his correspondence with the Mayor of Spring Valley regarding the downed tree on Circle Crest Road. Mayor Coomer had requested Spring Valley cover half of the cost of the tree removal since it was located very close to the city limits line and blocked passage for more Spring Valley residents than Barbourmeade residents. During a phone conversation, the Mayor of Spring Valley stated they would agree to pay \$600 towards the tree removal cost.

During a recent street light replacement at the intersection of Dinah Way and Dinah Court some signs were taken down but not reinstalled. Mayor Coomer picked up the signs and has them in his possession. Commissioner Crockett stated she would contact Eagle Sign about reinstalling the signs.

Mayor Coomer reported he had repaired the large pothole at the intersection of Coronado Drive and Old Gate Road. While driving the area he noticed some other potholes and places where the pavement was beginning to break up. He requested he and City Engineer Trautwein conduct a survey of the area to identify problem spots and stated he believes it is time to initiate a repaving project for that area of the city.

Mayor Coomer requested to add 08-11 to himself to cover costs of pothole repair materials, but was unsure of the amount. Commissioner Ward made a motion to grant \$150.00 to be used for pothole repair and add 08-11 to the warrants. Commissioner Crockett seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 5-0. Commissioner Budniak made a motion to approve the warrants as amended. Commissioner Ward seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

### **SANITATION**

Commissioner Ward had nothing to report regarding sanitation but did give a Reach Alert update. There are currently 152 registered users. She also reported that Chief Throneberry from the Graymoor-Devondale Police Department has been trained on the system.

### **ROADS & MAINTENANCE/ANIMALS**

Commissioner Crockett had nothing to report. Mayor Coomer informed the Commission of a report he received claiming there were 10-15 stray cats living in the vicinity of 3523 Sorrento Avenue. Also, he informed Commissioner Crockett of a wobbly stop sign on Pine Meadows Lane.

### **BEAUTIFICATION**

Commissioner Budniak reported that he had trimmed trees that were blocking street signs in eight different locations around the city. He also reported that the street sign posts that have been damaged over time by mowing/trimming were touched up.

Commissioner Budniak received an email from the owner at 8202 Pipilo Place complaining about a large number of downed tree limbs and overgrown yard at 3100 Brownsboro Vista Road. City Clerk Davis reported he has observed this and that there were people working on the backyard on August 16.

Finally, a resident contact Commissioner Budniak about a warning that had been placed on their vehicle. The warning was in regards to parking on the street but it was not signed and had no official city information on it. He will continue to investigate to see if he can find out who placed this on the car.

**PUBLIC ITEM**

Sherry Steier, 3314 Brownsboro Vista Drive, stated she has returned to get the city’s support regarding the mailbox that has been placed at the front of her property. Mark Bright is Ms. Steier’s brother and is also an attorney. Mr. Bright explained the mailbox was placed in the right-of-way in front of his sister’s house without her consent and she wants it removed. Photos of the mailbox and a survey depicting its location were presented. Mr. Bright would like the city to a.) send a letter to the mailbox owner asking them to relocate it or b.) submit a letter of support to Ms. Steier as she initiates civil action against the mailbox owner.

Mayor Coomer stated the city is taking a neutral stance on this matter. Commissioner Streit said he sees no reason why the city shouldn’t show support for Ms. Steier and/or ask the mailbox owner to relocate it. Mayor Coomer stated that right-of-way issues are complex, he does not want to request City Attorney Stan Chauvin research this matter, and he is not willing to look into it either. If Mr. Bright wants to provide case law showing where the city has authority to enforce the issue then he would be happy to review it.

Mr. Bright stated he would provide the photos and survey to city officials. Once the materials are reviewed he would request the city have a discussion about this at a future meeting.

No motions were made during this portion of the meeting.

Commission Crockett left the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

**SAFETY & INSURANCE**

Commissioner Streit reported that there were 78.5 patrol hours in the city in July. The new fiscal year is here and so far \$25,000 has been collected from insurance taxes.

**CITY ENGINEER**

Following up on an item from last month, City Engineer Trautwein reported that Paul Adams does in fact have some drainage issues on his property. He suggested Mr. Adams contact MSD to see if they can address the issue.

**OLD BUSINESS**

City Treasurer Russell said they have finalized the property count and will amend the check to Reach Alert to reflect the true number of properties within the city.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Budniak asked about an updated tax delinquency list. City Treasurer Russell said the list was being updated and that City Attorney Chauvin was reaching out to those on the list.

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Budniak made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Ward seconded. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

Bryan Coomer, Mayor

---

Attest: Brian Davis, City Clerk

---