

MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 9, 2024 BANCROFT MEETING

The regular scheduled meeting for the City of Bancroft, KY was called to order by Mayor Ed Evers at 7:04 P.M. on Wednesday, October 9, 2024 at St. Albert the Great School, Louisville, Kentucky. Those present: Mayor Ed Evers, Commissioner Jeff Magers, Commissioner Gerrie Leppert, Clerk Shannon Tuthill, Chief David Mudd, Residents Erick Berryhill, Matthew Walton and Jennifer Miller, Graymoor Devondale residents Michael Allen and Holly Allen. Absent: Treasurer Arnold Shaikun, Commissioner Jaimie Schapker, Commissioner Paul Chumbley.

REVIEW MEETING MINUTES:

Mayor Evers proceeded to review the September meeting minutes. Mayor Evers asked to table discussion of minutes until next month because commission has not had time to review. The September minutes were not passed and remain in draft and will not be included in the November newsletter.

REPORTS:

Clerk

Clerk Tuthill gave the following report. I met with Treasurer Shaikun to sign checks and provide month end reports. I created and distributed October newsletter with Mailchimp.

I have received numerous requests from property owners, lenders and title companies for tax bill amounts and have been providing prompt responses.

One visit to storage unit to replace city event supplies was made. The uniform financial statement was signed and completed as were quarterly tax forms completed and mailed. Department of revenue annual property tax rate request form completed and submitted too. The city auditor requested copies of ordinances for 2022 and those have been provided.

Other standard monthly city business as needed.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Evers had nothing to report other than new business.

City Maintenance

Commissioner Leppert reported a large tree on Bancroft Lane had to be removed after winds from storm lifted the tree up from the roots and concerns were raised regarding possibility of the tree falling on residential home. A contractor was secured and the tree was removed over a period of two days without incident. The stump will need to be removed and fence repaired as we move forward. Commissioner Leppert discussed the possibility of removing more trees and will walk lane with arborist to see what trees are sick and need to come down.

Mayor Evers noted that the JCLC meeting this month will have information on improving tree canopy and suggested commissioner Leppert attend if possible.

Communication and Public Outreach

Commissioner Schapker was not present and did not leave a report.

Public Services

Commissioner Chumbley was not present but left the following report.

1) Hand delivered signed agreement to Strand Associates for study of potential streetlight upgrade and/or placement of new streetlights. A copy signed by Strand should have been mailed back to the City of Bancroft address.

2) RESIDENTS SHOULD SET OUT THEIR TRASH, RECYCLING, AND YARD WASTE CONTAINERS ON SUNDAYS (NO EARLIER THAN NOON PER BANCROFT ORDINANCE).

3) Continuing through December 31, 2024, yard waste will be collected once per week.

a) Yard waste is collected once per month January 1 – March 30, 2025.

4) Emailed a resident the contractual terms concerning yard waste specifications with Rumpke.

5) Residents should contact me directly for any waste collection issues. Should they need to contact Rumpke directly, that number is (800) 828-8171.

Police Department

Commissioner Magers wanted to report that Kentucky Supreme Court ruled in Shively v. Courier Journal regarding an open records case. The court made a ruling that narrowed the scope of being able to give records based on idea of an ongoing investigation. This ruling was passed along to the city attorney who said this narrows how to respond to open records request.

Chief Mudd gave the following report.

There were 18 days of patrol in the city.

There were 15 Radar/Stop Sign details performed for high police visibility.

There were 2 calls for service.

There were 55 traffic stops made for traffic infractions.

There were 17 traffic citations issued

There was 1 Written Warnings issued.

There were 36 verbal warnings issued.

There were 0 motorist assists.

There were 2 arrests (Felony warrant and Enhanced Poss of Marijuana w/firearm)

There was 1 warning given for a parking infraction.

There were 18 visits to resident's homes for the "House Watch" program.

There was 1 vehicle towed.

There were 6 assists to other agencies:

There was 1 ordinance investigation: Nuisance complaint

There were 2 criminal summonses issued

I attended the September Commission Meeting.

I completed the CJIS recertification training

I scheduled firearms recertification with Lyndon PD

I assisted with traffic control re tree removal on Bancroft Ln

Finance and Administration

Mayor Evers received email from auditor Charlie Veeneman and will report under new business.

Commissioner Magers asked about the balance in the general fund. Says treasurer report does not include account balances on the financial statements. Will review with treasurer Shaikun for next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Update Old Salem

Mayor Evers reported that he received information from the receiver on the proceeds from the foreclosure sale. Feels we should have funds before the next meeting.

2. Metro Zoning

Mayor Evers attended JCLC meeting about Metro Zoning. He has all the printed information for commission to review. JCLC wants to have an active role now before a decision is made with Metro on the zoning change.

3. Lighting Contract

Commissioner Chumbley was not present but Mayor said he feels commissioner has signed contract and will remove from agenda for now.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Wilder Elementary Playground

Three Wilder Elementary parents came to the meeting to discuss a possible donation towards a new inclusive playground for the school. Matthew Walton, a Bancroft resident and parent of Wilder students introduced himself to commission. Holly Allen was also present and introduced herself as an occupational therapist who came to Mr. Walton asking for assistance with getting funds to make the playground more accessible to children with disabilities. The PTA is working on costs and plans to upgrade the playground to make it accessible to all children and caregivers with disabilities. Costs would be no more than \$250,000. Two different vendors have given a proposal. They are hoping to receive 10% of the cost as a donation from Bancroft.

Mayor Evers said he has spoken to the city attorney as well as Kentucky League of Cities attorney and was advised that donating to schools outside of the city limits is very unlikely.

Mayor Evers also asked about JCPS giving any funds for the build. They were told no by JCPS but they did give them the name of company for bid but will not give funds for project. The commission suggested they speak with councilwoman McCraney.

Mr. Walton asked if we could create a survey to send to all Bancroft residents asking about whether not they Wilder playground or if they have a child that is a Wilder student.

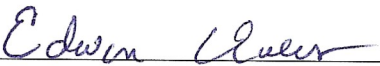
2. Biannual Audit

Mr. Veeneman, the city auditor has a draft of the audit prepared. He has some questions about foreclosure money and has a few questions for Treasurer Shaikun. Mr. Veeneman says he should have the audit completed before the November commission meeting.


3. Election and Vacant seats

Jennifer Clark Miller, a Bancroft resident was present and stated she is interested in volunteering for open position and ask for what all it entailed. Mayor Evers said he will discuss this with her outside of the meeting.

Commissioner Magers made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Leppert seconded. All in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm.



Mayor



City Clerk