TOWN OF BEVERLY: TO WIT

The regular meeting of the Beverly Town Council was held Monday, March 9, 2020, at 6:30 pm in council chambers of the Beverly Town Hall. Members and visitors stood for the Pledge of Allegiance and were led in prayer by Mayor Burns. Mayor Burns called the meeting to order in the presence of recorder Barbara Smith, members Debbie Stalnaker, Robbie Moyer, Matt Lewis, Becky Weese and Katie Whittaker. Visitors included Michael Bell, Davis Health System Foundation, Barbara McCreary, Jarrod Phillips, Kenny Weese, Becky and Nina Arbogast, Chris Mielke and Robin Wilson.

With all members previously having received copies of the minutes, Mr. Moyer made a motion to forego the oral reading of the minutes of February 10, 2020 and to accept the minutes as submitted. Motion seconded Mrs. Whittaker with all in favor.

Michael Bell, Davis Health System Foundation, asked council to endorse the Foundation's special wine, beer and liquor license application for the Kentucky Derby Gala to be held May 2, 2020, at the Beverly Fire Department. A motion was made by Mrs. Weese for the town to send the letter of support and endorsement for the fundraiser. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Whittaker with all in favor.

LIBRARY PROJECT AT BHC

Stephanie Murphy of the Elkins Library has requested \$41,000 from the County Commission as a startup cost for the Library at the Beverly Heritage Center. An upcoming meeting with the Rich Mountain Foundation and the Beverly Heritage Center will be discussing several issues and hoping to find answers regarding the library. Once Ms. Murphy finds out how much of the initial cost the Commission will fund, questions regarding staffing will be easier to determine. The library has everyone's support but each organization has to watch a strain isn't put on their resources.

WATER RATE INCREASE – RULE 42

The water system rate evaluation is being held up by Rule 42. Mayor Burns said Rule 42 is very expensive to do and while checking on it, he has been told we shouldn't have to do it, but others have told him we may have to. Until he can find out for sure, we can't move ahead.

SIDEWALK DAMAGE

A large truck has damaged the side walk and a yard on Files Creek. Ms. Wilson has notified the Western Express, Inc. truck line of the damage with an invoice for damages. She has not heard back from the company yet; council tabled the matter to see if we hear anything in the next month.

BUDGET PREPARTION/LEVY ESTIMATE

Clerk Wilson discussed the budget with council. A work session has been scheduled for Tuesday, March 17th at 5:30. All council members were asked to attend.

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INVOICES

A motion was made by Mrs. Weese to pay the March invoices in the amount of \$5,110.93. Motion was seconded by Mr. Moyer with all in favor.

Mayor Burns reported another hearing is scheduled for March 20 in regards to the Reed case.

Mr. Lewis made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Moyer. Meeting adjourned at 7:19 pm.

MAYOK: ANDY BUKNS

RECORDER: BARBARA SMITH