

**Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes of the City Council
Beechwood Village, Kentucky**

March 11, 2025

This meeting was held Video Teleconference on line link Zoom US

And in person at Beechwood Baptist Church

**The City Council of Beechwood Village, Kentucky convened in regular session
Louisville, Kentucky**

On Tuesday, March 11, 2025 6:30 pm

Mayor Andrew Conlisk called the meeting to order with a roll call:

Present: Mary Ellen Baker, Theresa Prestiagiaco, Cherie Brewer, Carrie Ritsert, George Allison, David Smith, Glenn Francisco, Brian Figus

Minutes: No Feb., 2025 minutes tonight. Will have them at the April 2025 meeting

Financials: Cherie Brewer read the Feb 2025 Financials. Brian F. made a motion to accept the Feb. 2025 Financials and Theresa P. seconded the motion. All those present voted in favor of the motion.

Absent:

Orders Series 24-25 Series #08 Feb. 2025

Ck#4995	US Postal Service	\$ 407.00	2025 Annual P O Box Price Increase - Void Ck#4988
Ck#4999	Charles Veeneman, CPA	\$ 466.00	Inv# 241518 & #251017
Ck#4989	Minuteman Press	\$ 362.24	Inv# 123596 4th Qtr 24 Nwslr
Ck#4990	City of Lyndon Police Dept	\$ 5,372.00	Feb 2025 Police Services
Ck#4991	Lou Code Enf & Mediation	\$ 500.00	Jan 2025 Code Enf Services
Ck#4997	Carrie Ritsert	\$ 564.40	Jan 2025 Legal Services
Ck#4998	Lou Geek	\$ 130.80	March 2025 Services

George A made a motion to accept the Orders 24-25 Series 8 and Brian F seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

Attorney: Carrie R discussed the questions regarding Semi-Trucks parking overnight in the business parking lots. Andrew proposed an ordinance to regulate semi-truck idling in the village, particularly overnight. He suggested limiting idling to 7am to 7pm, aligning with quiet hours. Carrie agreed to draft a proposal for a first reading next month, but she will first verify the village's authority to enforce such a regulation. Andrew also raised concerns about potential misuse of business parking lots for overnight truck parking.

Code Enforcement: Andrew clarified with Carrie that the Council is okay with BW Highview Church putting up signs on the public right of way for their upcoming Easter egg hunt, which is open to the community. George Stewart, the code enforcement officer, reported on various issues including a bed frame left in the front yard, a mattress at the curb, and soccer goals in the public right of way. George will address these issues and also take care of an old broken tractor parked at the end of Sage Street.

Tree Ordinance and City Budget:

Andrew discussed the enforcement of a tree ordinance in the city, which requires the replacement of removed trees. He suggested raising awareness among residents about the ordinance and asked them to notify the council if they notice a tree being removed. George was identified as the person responsible for monitoring the trees. Andrew also mentioned a tree program in the fall that offers a 50% discount on a 12-foot tree. The councilwoman, representing District 7, announced that the city is in budget season and she will advocate for more funding for sidewalks and other projects.

Improving Drainage and Addressing Resident Issues: Andrew discussed the need for improvements to the drainage system in the area, particularly along Shelbyville Road. He mentioned the need for a wider and deeper ditch to prevent flooding, which has caused significant damage to residents' properties. Andrew also mentioned the possibility of noise barriers along the Watterson Expressway. He encouraged residents to report any issues they encounter and promised to address them. Andrew also discussed the issue of a ditch behind a resident's house, which has caused flooding in their basement. He proposed to write a letter to the

residents affected by the issue and to the relevant authorities to address the problem.

Communication Strategies for Short-Term Rentals

Andrew and Cherie discussed communication strategies for reaching residents, including using Facebook and assigning street representatives. They also discussed updating the ordinance for short-term rentals and the potential for a tax on these rentals. Andrew mentioned the need for record retention in the ordinance and the ongoing legislative process. They also discussed the need for patchwork on Bramton Street due to water accumulation.

Community Junk Day and Drainage

The council discusses organizing a community junk day and addressing drainage issues. They plan to write letters to residents on Marshall and Tyne streets about drainage problems, followed by a letter to MSD to escalate the issue. For the junk day, they consider having a dumpster for a limited time, possibly coinciding with the annual yard sale, and including services like document shredding and paint disposal. The council agrees to pass the junk day planning to the social committee for further development, emphasizing the need for clear rules and resident engagement.

Resident Input: Resident at 105 Marshall advised her concern about the ditch behind her house. She has had tremendous flooding in her basement several times. She contacted MDS and they stated that the ditch is not deep enough to drain the water off. So I want to come to the Council's requesting proposed ideas & researching to push MSD on how to solve this issue. Because it's like multiple people on Marshall are having flooding issued. I know there's a lot of water lately, but if this is an ongoing issue. I can take it personally to MSD. Mayor advised we can just have them come back out and assess it. Mary Ellen B will be involved with contacting other residents.

Driveway Approval: David Houser 4507 Blenheim Road requested permission to install and 2 car driveway for his new garage. Council review plans. David S made a motion to approve the proposed driveway and seconded by Brian F. All present voted in favor of the motion.

David S made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 pm. All present in favor of the motion.

Respectfully submitted,
Cherie Brewer, City Clerk/Treasurer

Next Steps

1. Mary Ellen to write a letter to residents on the 100 block of Marshall and Tyne about drainage issues.
2. Council members to report any misplaced or damaged street signs to Andrew, Brian, or Teresa.
3. George to monitor the new landscaping company's work and report any discrepancies.
4. George to follow up on the apartment parking lot repair issue.
5. Andrew to get login access for council members to the email newsletter system.
6. Communication committee to develop ideas for regular email updates to residents.
7. Social committee to plan details for a potential community junk day event.
8. Carrie to draft an ordinance regarding semi-truck idling restrictions.
9. Council members to notify Andrew of any curb finishing work issues they observe.
10. Cherie to contact Lori about getting access to the Facebook page for posting updates.
11. Council members to encourage residents to sign up for email updates on the city website.
12. Andrew to follow up with Bluestone Engineering about curb finishing work concerns.

