City of Beechwood Village, Kentucky

Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

October 14. 2025 6:30 PM

Held via Zoom and in person at Beechwood Baptist Church

Mayor Andrew Conlisk called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Mayor Andrew Conlisk Cherie Brewer, City Clerk/Treasurer Carrie Ritsert, City Attorney

Council Members: Theresa Prestigiacomo, George Allison, David Smith, Glenn Francisco Brian Figus

Abesent: Mary Ellen Baker

Approval of Minutes: August 2025 Minutes - David S. made a motion to approve and Brian F. seconded the motion. All present voted in favor of the motion.

Orders: Cherie Brewer read the Orders, Series 2025-2026 #02 Brian F. made a motion to accept the orders and Theresa P. 2nd the motion. All present voted in favor of the motion.

Attorney Report: Carrie advised she has not received any comments from anyone regarding the noise ordinance. Carrie did receive a response from George S. (Code Enf) She did get specific about the metro noise ordinances, but if we (BWV) were to mimic the same ordinance, and then the situation of sporting activities, right, being conducted perhaps next door, you know, that might last for an hour, that might disturb a resident from time to time. He kind of sums it up in three issues. So he says, 1. enforcement would be directed toward the property owner not the individual causing the issue, especially when involving minors. 2. The proposed 8 p.m. cutoff, he recommended reconsidering that, typically the quiet hours are 10 to 7 and if you look at the metro ordinance we've got 7 to 9 for construction or demolition activity and Waste Collection, 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. He offered for an individual noise issue such as someone that lives next to somebody that does something loud late in the evening, he said it's possible to issue a notice based on a formal complaint by a resident. This complaint would need to be non-anonymous to ensure procedural integrity and follow-up. There can be perhaps that he can deal with that individual on a case by case basis. with that individually. Further discussion, Theresa P still wanted to change the time to 8 instead of 9. No summary 1st reading was done so it was suggested to table until later after further discussion. Residents can contact Metro 311 to file a noise complaint.

Carrie also advised that she received the delinquent Annual Rental Fees list but she wanted to confirm that the annual fee is \$150.00. The mayor advised that is correct. It was noted that other cities have a \$500 annual rental fee and are planning on increasing it in the near future. The fee is supposed to recoup the administrative expenses for enforcing it and record keeping. City Clerk checked the Gen Ledger income for the rental fees since it went into effect in 2020 and it totals approx. \$24,000.

Mayor asked the following question he received from Highview Baptist Church (Beechwood Campus):

They would like to have these Christmas horse carriage rides in the neighborhood. Do you know of any logistics

legally of having horses on our side streets? Mayor just received the email request today with several questions:

They would like to do it / asking if there is any problem / is it legal / further discussion

Carrie doesn't see any issue with if the city wants to allow it.

Mayor asked Carrie if she had a copy of the current average salaries from the Ky League of Cities that she could provide. She will look for it and advise. If she can't locate she will ask them to email the Mayor.

Dave S asked Carrie if she could advise if we are completing the requirements for new ordinances correctly. She advised that 1st Class Mail is ok to use and it doesn't have to be in an envelope; you can do it on a postcard also provided it's mailed 1st Class. A lot of cities do this since the publishing fee with CJ has increased so much.

**Permit Request:** Shane Klein at 215 Marshall is requesting a permit to completely replace his current garage. They are requesting to replace this 1-car garage with a 2-car garage. Brian F made a motion to approve the garage Dave S seconded the motion. All present voted in favor of the motion.

2nd Permit request: Mike Sillman 200 Tyne Rd, replacing his detached rear garage. The current garage is 24 x 24 and he is going to add 6 feet to the rear making it 24 x 30. He has a very deep back yard so there is room. After much discussion regarding various lot sizes in BWV etc. Brian F. made a motion to approve the Permit for the new garage at 200 Tyne Rd and 2nd by Theresa P. All present voted in favor of the motion. Mike will email Cherie B his diagram of the new garage and she will email the Permit Letter from BWV back to him to take to Jefferson County License and Permit office.

Resident Input: . Residents thanked the council for a nice annual picnic, the weather was beautiful and a great turn out. Also thanked the council for the landscaping at the front entrances. It looks really good. He was glad to hear that the irrigation was repaired. The current sump pump outflow lines have relief points out at the street curbs. These relief points are intended to, if debris gets into the lines instead of backing up into the house it comes out at the relief points. In walking around the village he has noticed that several of the caps are damaged or have no caps at all. The mayor will contact Heritage to do an inspection of these relief caps. Finally the parking especially on Beaver Rd is out of control with cars parking directly across from each other (side by side)making it difficult to back out of driveways and school buses to get through including emergency vehicles. Another Resident suggested that the upcoming meeting agenda be posted on Facebook or BWV Website so the residents can review and decide if they want to attend the meeting. Also a concern of fire for the property that has all the mulch in the yard because a person walked by smoking a cigarette and flicked it right near the property. Resident asked about contacting Goodwill to clean up the litter surrounding their bench at Marshall and Shelbyville Road. Theresa will ask George S to contact Goodwill for us.

**Old Business:** Mayor met with MSD regarding the drainage ditch behind Marshall and Tyne. He discussed that they can't make it bigger but future work will be performed. They called it a blind intersection, blind T per their sewer camera inspection. Mayor stressed that residents call MSD anytime there is flooding or blockage in drains or ditches. They respond to the velocity of complaints. They are reactionary.

Grant Agreement for Tree Program FICNIC

Glenn may have located instructions on how to take control of our Facebook Group Page

Communication - Email options for distributing info

## Salary increase for Mayor and Council Members:

Discussion regarding increasing the salaries for city council members and mayor since there has not been an increase for 8 years.

The current council salary is \$2,400 annually and mayor salary is \$8,000 annually

A 20% increase was suggested and a Council member annual salary increased to \$3,600 and mayor salary increased to \$12,000 a year. The mayor requested we look at the current data of what other 5th Class Cities are

paying and make a determination. So everyone understands we are not giving ourselves a raise this will be for the newly elected members next year.

The mayor thanked everyone on the committee for helping for the 2025 Annual Picnic. It was a great success thanks to everyone's organization and hard work! Great Job!

Cherie will coordinate with Santa and St MatthewsFire Department a date for the Annual Santa Run 2025 and let George know for the newsletter. Dec. 14, 2025

Halloween Trick or Treaters: Could we increase the police presence on that night. Dave S mentioned that our police patrol is down 10% since May 2025..

The last few minutes of the meeting had technical difficulty.

Motion by David S. to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 pm and 2nd by Brian F. All present voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cherie Brewer, City Clerk/Treasurer