

City of Bloomfield City Council Meeting Minutes  
October 21, 2024  
6:30 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

Mayor Dudgeon led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Call to Order:**

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

**Roll Call:**

Presiding Officer: Christopher Dudgeon, Mayor  
Council Members: Todd Sweazy (arrived at 6:33 p.m.)  
John Hammond  
Tina Long  
Judy Wilson  
Scott Stevenson  
Laura Barnett  
City Attorney: Audrey Haydon-Blackmon  
City Clerk: Toni Burton  
Public Works Super: Derrick Hagan  
Police Officer: Eddie Whitworth

**Approval of the September 16, 2024 meeting minutes:**

Laura Barnett made the motion to approve the September 16, 2024 meeting minutes.  
Second by Judy Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.

**Approval of the September 2024 Financial Statements:**

Tina Long made the motion to approve the September 2024 Financial Statements.  
Second by John Hammond. Motion carried unanimously.

**Water Co. Update – Derrick Hagan:**

Public Works Superintendent Derrick Hagan reported on the following items:

- The lead and copper survey has been completed.
- Mago will start blacktopping soon.
- Wire Lane and Chaplain tanks are due for inspection, and he is working on getting them scheduled.
- Working on sewer projects pertaining to chemicals.

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**Police Department Update:**

Officer Eddie Whitworth reported on the following items:

- New police cruiser is here.
- Uniforms should be ready on Wednesday
- Planning to start patrolling on Thursday

**Appointment of Chief of Police:**

Mayor Dudgeon requested to appoint Eddie Whitworth as Police Chief.

Tina Long made the motion to appoint Eddie Whitworth as Police Chief.

Second by Judy Wilson. By unanimous vote, motion carried.

**Resolution 2024-3 KLEFPF Participation:**

Mayor Dudgeon shared since the city has not participated in the KLEFPF program for over a year the city is having to reapply. City Attorney Audrey read resolution 2024-3.

John Hammond made the motion to approve the resolution. Second by Laura Barnett.

By unanimous vote, motion carried.

**Appointment of Board of Adjustments (BOA):**

Mayor Dudgeon shared Bloomfield has three (3) people on the Board of Adjustments.

JB Murphy, Terry Broadus, and Nathan Jones. JB and Terry's terms will expire in November; and they do not want to serve any more. Nathan will continue to serve. We need to appoint two (2) people. Those individuals must live in the city limits of Bloomfield.

**Park Bid:**

Mayor Dudgeon shared the city received one (1) bid for the park project. A copy of the bid was inside the council packets. Mayor Dudgeon said we need a motion to accept the bid.

Tina Long made the motion to accept the bid. Second by Judy Wilson. Motion carried, unanimously.

- Note: This is for the pickleball courts, multi-purpose court, and dirt work.

**Public Comments:**

Judge Executive Tim Hutchins shared Fiscal Court decided to give the City of Bloomfield \$172,000 thousand dollars of ARPA Funds to the Bloomfield Park project. This money will help with the funds needed for the LWCF grant. (this is the playground equipment project).

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**Public Comments Continued:**

Leslie Snow asked how much the quote from Tennis Technologies was for. Mayor Dudgeon replied, \$126,890 dollars.

**Mayor's Report:**

Mayor Dudgeon reported on the following items:

- In November we will meet with DLG and Lincoln Trail ADD to present our park project. Then hopefully in February we will know if the grant is approved.
- Reminded people Halloween hours is 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- The city is pursuing a Cybersecurity grant.

**Council Members Report:**

John Hammond shared his excitement with the park projects moving forward. John thanked Judge Hutchins for the county's donation.


Judy Wilson, Scott Stevenson, and Laura Barnett shared their concerns with the current Waste Management services.

**Adjourn:**

Judy Wilson made the motion to adjourn. Second by Laura Barnett.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting minutes approved on November 18, 2024

  
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Christopher Dudgeon, Mayor

  
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Toni Burton, City Clerk