

“Brodhead”

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seek loan and grant funding for their wastewater project.

With the project profile, the city plans to address their wastewater system issues by completing sewer line and manhole repairs/replacements, wastewater pumping station replacement and construction of wet weather flow equalization at the treatment plant. The project profile also calls for smoke testing, manhole inspections and pipe internal inspections.

In order to receive the funding for the project, the CVADD requires copies of the city’s audits dating back to 2008.

However, Smallwood said that funding for the project is currently “held up” because the city has not yet received their completed 2011 audit. He said the city also received their 2008, 2009, and 2010 audits late as well.

“We were supposed to have all audits in by June 2012 and my company can’t complete our work until we receive funding.” Smallwood said.

Councilman Ronnie Cash said that they were supposed to receive the completed audit from Berea CPA Sammy Lee in December but it has not been received to date.

Smallwood said that he is concerned that the 2011 audit is still not completed with tax season around the corner.

“CPA’s get real busy around tax season and with tax season a few weeks away, it is not looking real good for us,” Smallwood said. “We are developing a delayed pattern of receiving these audits and we need to turn it up a notch because our funding is held up until we submit these audits.”

The council agreed to contact their auditor and try to have their 2011 audit within the next few months.

Councilman Cash also said that a homeowner on Chestnut Grove Road near the sewer plant has been complaining about a manhole in his front yard.

Brodhead Water Superintendent Roger Bray suggested installing a lift station in the Chestnut Grove area to solve the homeowner’s manhole problems.

“A lift station would pump it into the main line and that way none of it would come back into his house.” Bray said.

Bray estimated that the lift station would cost the city \$2,500 to \$3,000. The council agreed to have Bray check on the pricing of the lift station before making their decision.

Councilman Cash also said that he is receiving numerous complaints about dogs not being on a leash on Maple Street.

“There is a huge Great Dane and two other Pit Bulls that are unchained along Maple Street,” Councilman Cash said. “I have not received any reports of them doing anything but people have been telling me they feel uneasy because they are known as huge vicious dogs.”

The council agreed to pass a dog ordinance that required dog owners to keep their dogs leashed or caged at all times.

Councilman Cash also brought up the city’s two parks during the council meeting. He said that a homeowner was complaining of a water backup near the city park on the corner of Albright and Tyree Street.

“Trash and leaves have stopped up the ditches be-

cause of the (free standing) park bridge being turned over due to vandalism,” Councilman Cash said. “The water is running over into homes because of the turned over bridge and I think we need to remove it.”

The council agreed with Councilman Cash and Bray agreed to remove the vandalized bridge from the park.

Mayor Walter Cash also gave an update on the new park which will be located on Hwy 2250 in Brodhead across from Citizens Bank.

After receiving an extension on the \$40,000 matching land grant from the Kentucky Land and Water Conservation, the council plans on using the funding before the grant’s deadline on June 1, 2013.

Mayor Cash said they are waiting on dry weather before they level off the land and sow grass in the new park. Once that project is complete, Mayor Cash said they plan on creating a gravel walkway around the park.

During the spring and summer months, Mayor Cash said the city plans on building a shelter and restrooms, as well as restoring the historic railroad pump house that is located in the park.

In the final item of business, Brodhead Alliance Committee Organizational Committee Chair and BAC Trailhead Committee member Mark Buras addressed the council about their concerns with Brodhead’s Trail Town project.

Buras said the city’s controversial Trail Town project was currently at a standstill because some of the property owners were against the project.

“Property owners have the right to not sell or donate their property,” Buras said. “But alternative routes could still be considered.”

In order for the project to continue, Buras said Mayor Cash needs to request the \$3,000 needed for an assessment of property that is required as a condition for the Trail Town grant.

Mayor Cash said that an alternative route needs to be drawn up before they decide to accept the extra \$3,000. He said that with every route proposed to him that there were always landowners who did not want to sell or donate their land.

“If landowners don’t want to participate then why spend that extra money. Other cities who done this had their lines drawn out before they ever spent a penny,” Mayor Cash said. “So this is all water under the bridge and we ain’t fooling with that anymore.”

Mayor Cash said that grant facilitator and RCIDA Executive Director Holly Hopkins can’t explain to him why the assessments need to be done before she knows where the line is going.

“The property owners said that they will not give the right of way,” Mayor Cash said. “That is a stopping point and you can’t go no further.”

Councilman Cash said that he was also shocked when Hopkins was petitioning the Fiscal Court for \$3,000 without any of them knowing about it.

“Some of the magistrates called me and asked me if I was aware that the city had asked for \$3,000 and I told them I had no idea what they were talking about,” Councilman Cash said. “She was carrying out city business without the Mayor and Council knowing about it.”

Buras said that Hopkins had told the BAC that she had discussed the \$3,000 with the mayor and council.

“She had never spoken with me about it,” Councilman Cash said. “So she need not say that she talked to me.”

Buras said that he didn’t understand how a city could go this far on a project and all of the sudden say they are not participating in it.

Mayor Cash once again said that there is no alternative route without running into a landowner who says

he/she won’t sell or donate their land.

“When they tell you they don’t want to do it, there is nothing else we can do,” Mayor Cash said. “When someone puts the brakes on you then that’s it.”

BAC President Jane McClure said that she chose to start coming to the monthly council meeting to bridge the communication gap between the two groups.

“Up to this point it has been us and them,” McClure said. “It’s been like two different camps and it shouldn’t be that way.”

McClure says that the BAC can be a resource to the council and the City of Brodhead as they can qualify for grants that the city wouldn’t qualify for.

“That’s the really big topic to us and we want to be another resource to you and the city we live in.” McClure said.

McClure says she hates to see the Trail Town project fall by the wayside but that she still hopes the BAC and City Council can work together in the future for the betterment of Brodhead.

“I think the Trail Town project was too much too soon,” McClure said. “But it is my hope that we can work together on other projects in the future.”

“Saylor”

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Kentucky in the 1940s, he wasn’t real receptive of the idea but he also knew it was a choice I had to make on my own.”

Saylor began his coaching career in 1983 as a volunteer assistant under Rocket football Head Coach David Hansel and Assistant Coach Ryan Riddle.

“My duties consisted of watching the defense from the press box so I could assist Coach Riddle,” Saylor said. “That job was enough to hook me on the idea of wanting to coach.”

In 1984, Saylor was hired to coach the Rockcastle County football freshman and JV team for \$300 a year. In January of the same year, Saylor got his first job as an educator, teaching three hours of business at the RCHS vocational school and one hour of P.E. at Roundstone Elementary School.

“Believe me, both classes were extremely different,” Saylor said. “There is a huge difference in a 12th grade young lady in business class and a 1st grade boy in P.E. class.”

During the spring of 1985, the School Board made the decision to terminate the contract of Rocket football Head Coach David Hansel and they hired Tom Larkey to take his place. Saylor said at that time, he was unsure what would happen to his coaching job after the termination of Coach Hansel.

“I knew I wanted a chance to fulfill my dreams and the first time I met Coach Larkey I told him if you let me be your assistant, I can promise you hard work and loyalty,” Saylor said. “He replied, I don’t know you but that’s what I hear about you.”

At that point, Saylor said Coach Larkey hired him as his head assistant, which would lead to an inseparable bond for the next 23 years.

In 2008, Coach Larkey felt compelled to take his talents to Harlan County where he accepted a position as the head coach of the Harlan County High School football team.

After Larkey accepted his new position, RCHS Athletic Director Barry Noble asked Saylor if he was interested in the position as head coach and Saylor declined.

“I knew I had only a few years left so I passed on the opportunity,” Saylor said. “But I am thankful and appreciative that they thought so much of me.”

After hiring Scott Parkey as head coach, Saylor told him that he would like to

continue his position as head assistant coach.

“I told him I would only be here between one and five years,” Saylor said. “I elected to choose the latter and see the rest of my bloodline in Boone Saylor finish out.”

Saylor said that his most memorable career highlights were the 1991 overtime win against Corbin in the second round of the state playoffs, the 2000 win in the “Ice Bowl” against Sheldon Clark to put the Rockets in the state semi-finals, the 2001 thrilling win against Covington Catholic to send the Rockets to the state championship, the unthinkable win against Highlands in 2002 to send the Rockets to their second state championship game and the 2005 shutout win against Bell County on “Log Mountain” for the regional championship.

During his coaching tenure, Saylor said he has coached with 50 different coaches, including himself, and he has coached over 600 different players.

Saylor said his greatest thrills come from seeing average ordinary young men excel at something because of their hard work. He said that type of achievement teaches young people that they can become productive citizens, regardless of their situation.

“It is my sincere hope that I have made a positive impact on their lives as a teacher, leader, friend and spiritual brother,” Saylor said. “In the end, those things are really what this job is all about.”

Saylor said that he praises God that he was fortunate enough to leave the wonderful sport of football as he did last Saturday with a 27-23 win over Tennessee in the Border Bowl All-Star game.

Saylor said that he plans on teaching for a few more years before retiring as an educator. Even though he said he has retired from coaching, Saylor said he will always be a Rocket football fan for the rest of his life.

“I told the players that I promise to be their number one fan until I pass on in this life,” Saylor said. “But I told them that at this point, I have hung up my cleats for a chair on the bank at the football field.”

“Livingston”

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cost to the city, had already made two applications for grants. The applications were made in December to the State Revolving Fund and the Appalachian Regional Commission. The engineers said these applications had to be made because of deadlines for submission. Other funding sources available include: Rural Development and HUD Community Development Block Grant.

Blankenship said there was almost no possibility of getting the project completely funded through grants but that the best case scenario would be that the million could be obtained through grants, leaving the city to borrow \$419,000. This, of course, would force the city to raise water/sewer rates substantially and Mayor Jason Medley said he would not be for this at all. “Even adding \$5 to water bills would cripple people here,” Medley said. The mayor said he would rather see the project pared back to the absolute essentials rather than impose a higher water rate on customers. Livingston has 85 sewer customers at present.

Blankenship said the paring back could be accomplished by cutting back the number of sewer lines included and taking the Mullins pump station out of the project but some upgrade had to be done at the sewer plant because of the possibility of fines from the state water enforcement division. The plant’s main problem is that it can process 40,000 gallons of

wastewater a day but, when hit with heavy rainfall, around 100,000 gallons can be forced into the system.

Blankenship promised to meet with the commissioners in an ongoing effort to acquire as much funding as possible for the system. Of course, the final decision will be the commissioners.

During the meeting, Trish Doan, city clerk,

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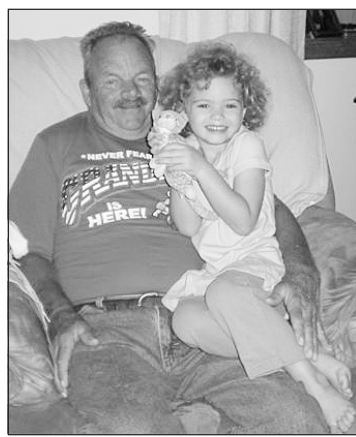
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brought the new commissioners up-to-date on the city’s finances. Her report showed an ending balance, as of December 31st, of \$12,690.33 in the general fund and \$11,515.36 in the operation and maintenance fund.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Rhonda Baker was sworn in by Medley as a city commissioner. Baker replaces Medley who was named mayor at a special called meeting earlier in the month.



Congratulations to Stephanie M. Barnett who graduated with honors from EKU on December 15, 2012 with a teaching degree in middle grade education, with emphases in math and science. We're very proud of you, your family.



Charles Sanders of West Chester, Ohio celebrated his 76th birthday, Monday Jan.7, 2013 with the help of his family and one special little girl, granddaughter Lauren who helped him blow out the candles.

Andrew and Tricia Beth Nelson are proud to announce the birth of their son, Clay Seth Nelson. Clay was born October 20, 2012 at Central Baptist Hospital. He weighed 8 lbs., 13.1 ozs and was 22 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Jeff and Deborah Laswell of Ottawa. Paternal grandparents are David and



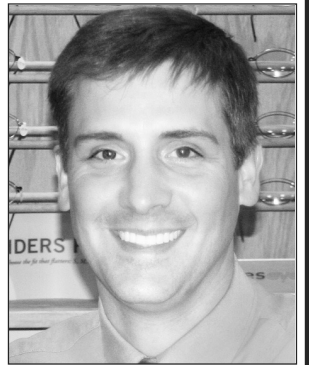
Barbara Nelson of London. Clay has a special uncle, Andrew Laswell of Ottawa and a special aunt, Amy and husband, Brian Walsh, of McGuire AFB, New Jersey. Great grandparents are Patsy Cable, and the late Harold Cable and Mary Laswell, and the late T.G. Laswell, all of Ottawa, Joe Bullen of Roundstone and the late Catherine Bullen and Margaret Nelson of Medford, Wisconsin and the late Lynn Nelson.

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