

**CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES
September 24, 2015**

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY Mayor Robert J. Doerr at 6:30 p.m. Copies of all ordinances and resolutions to be considered at the meeting were made available for public inspection prior to the time of consideration by the Board of Aldermen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG was led by Mayor Doerr.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Robert J. Doerr, City Clerk Deni Donovan, Alderman Paro, Alderman Merz, Alderman Jordan, Alderman Roth, Alderman Smith, and Alderman Fields.

ABSENT: Alderman Schultz

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Alderman Jordan moved for the approval of the Agenda, seconded by Alderman Roth. Motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

PUBLIC HEARING: Establishing Ad Valorem Tax Rate for the Year 2015

Alderman Jordan made a motion to open up the Public Hearing to the public, on this subject only, seconded by Alderman Merz. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Doerr asked if anyone wished to address the Board. Hearing none, Alderman Jordan moved to bring the meeting back to the Board, seconded by Alderman Fields. Motion carried unanimously.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Alderman Jordan moved to open the meeting to the public, as long as the Mayor deems necessary, seconded by Alderman Roth. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Doerr asked if anyone wished to address the Board. Hearing none, Alderman Jordan moved to bring the meeting back to the Board, seconded by Alderman Merz. Motion carried unanimously.

BILL NO. 2424 – INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN ROTH

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE ANNUAL RATE OF AD VALOREM TAX LEVIED FOR THE YEAR 2015 FOR DEBT SERVICE AND GENERAL MUNICIPAL PURPOSES ON ALL REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS, MISSOURI.

Alderman Roth read the Bill for the first time and moved for approval of the first reading of Bill No. 2424 and to go on to the second reading. The motion was seconded by Alderman Fields. Motion passed unanimously. Alderman Roth then read Bill No. 2424 for a second time and thereafter made a motion that the Bill be approved by the Board of Aldermen for enactment as an Ordinance, seconded by Alderman Fields. Motion carried unanimously. **Upon the roll being called the votes were cast as follows:** Alderman Roth, yes; Alderman Merz, yes; Alderman Paro, yes; Alderman Fields, yes; Alderman Smith, yes; and Alderman Jordan; yes.

The majority of the members elected to the Board of Aldermen having voted for passage of Bill No. 2424, the Bill was passed by the Board and will become Ordinance No. 2341 when and if signed by the Mayor.

There was a brief discussion as to what the rates were in 2014 vs. 2015.

BILL NO. 2425 – INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN SMITH

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.

Alderman Smith read the Bill for the first time and moved for approval of the first reading of Bill No. 2425 and to go on to the second reading. The motion was seconded by Alderman Paro. Motion passed unanimously. Alderman Smith then read Bill No. 2425 for a second time and thereafter made a motion that the Bill be approved by the Board of Aldermen for enactment as an Ordinance, seconded by Alderman Paro. Motion carried unanimously. **Upon the roll being called the votes were cast as follows:** Alderman Smith, yes; Alderman Fields, yes; Alderman Roth, yes; Alderman Jordan, yes; Alderman Merz, yes; and Alderman Paro; yes.

The majority of the members elected to the Board of Aldermen having voted for passage of Bill No. 2425, the Bill was passed by the Board and will become Ordinance No. 2342 when and if signed by the Mayor.

REPORT OF THE MAYOR:


Mayor Doerr announced the following:

- Discussion on who was going to BBQ for Beautification Day;
- Alderman Smith sent the city clerk pictures from the MML Awards – these may be used for the Community News article;
- Mayor Doerr announced there will be a tree planted in front of City Hall, in Peggy Vassallo's honor, tomorrow at noon – all are invited; and
- Moline Acres is updating their sidewalks. There are two homes at the border which are in Bellefontaine Neighbors. Moline would like to finish up the sidewalks, but have BN pay for the work done in front of the two Bellefontaine houses. A discussion ensued.

Alderman Jordan made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Alderman Fields. Motion carried unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

ATTEST:


Deni Donovan, City Clerk

Approved by the Board of Alderman on October 1, 2015