

**CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES
January 21, 2016**

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY Acting Mayor Alderman Jordan at 7:30 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 Acting Mayor Alderman Jordan.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Chief Jeremy Ihler, City Collector Mark Tranel, City Attorney Kevin O'Keefe, City Clerk Deni Donovan, Alderman Paro, Alderman Schultz, Alderman Merz, Alderman Jordan, Alderman Roth, Alderman Smith, and Alderman Fields.

ABSENT: Mayor Robert J. Doerr

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

PRESENTATION OF THE UNAPPROVED MINUTES: Alderman Smith moved for approval of the January 7, 2016, Minutes of the Board of Aldermen Meeting, seconded by Alderman Roth. Motion carried unanimously.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Alderman Smith moved to open the meeting to the public, with a 3-minute limit, as long as the Acting Mayor deems necessary, seconded by Alderman Schultz. Motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Smith, along with the Image & Beautification Board members, presented the 2015 Christmas Decorating Awards to the winners:

Ward 1: McWilliams Family	Dave and Matt Present
Ward 1: Rose Family	Not Present
Ward 2: Frank Hanson	Present
Ward 2: Val & Carla Heidebur	Present
Ward 3: Angela Raven	Not Present
Ward 3: Stefanie Messmer	Present
Ward 4: Veard Holman	Not Present
Ward 4: Stephanie Cook	Not Present

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

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Board reviewed the July-December, 2015, report. Mr. Krenn was excused. Alderman Roth noted there is a Bill on the Agenda tonight to adjust the 205-2016 Budget; the City is in good shape.

INVOICES OVER \$500: Alderman Roth moved to pay invoices 1 through 23 in the amount of \$296,435.81 for the months of December, 2015/January, 2016, seconded by Alderman Merz. Motion carried unanimously.

INVOICES UNDER \$500: The Board of Aldermen reviewed items 1 through 54 in the amount of \$7,217.20 for the month of December, 2015.

POLICE REPORT: The Board reviewed the December, 2015, report. Chief Ihler reported on the following:

- The Police Department is getting ready for Spring/Summer events, such as the Kids vs. Cops basketball game being held sometime in March; and
- Chief Ihler is into the 2nd semester of teaching at Florissant Valley Community College. The Flo Valley Partnership is going very well. The Community News will feature the program on the cover of their next edition.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT: The Board reviewed the December, 2015, Collector's report. Mr. Tranel stated Occupational notices have been mailed out; retail and merchant notices will be going out soon.

PLANNING & ZONING: The Board reviewed the January 11, 2016, Minutes. Chairman Bob Stolte welcomed new member Pat Barrett. He, also, wanted to thank Jerry Van Deven for his 21 years of service.

BUILDING INSPECTOR: The Board reviewed the December, 2015, report. Ted Stocker reported on the following issues:

- There is a sewer project issue at the old East Junior High on Chambers Road;
- Addressing inspections and reinspections;
- Following up on vacant home issues;
- Discussion on the future confectionary located at 1200 Darr – there are several issues they need to meet before opening;
- Alderman Fields noted the house at 11xx Duenke is vacant; and
- The lights in front of City Hall are being fixed.

CITY ENGINEER: The Board reviewed the December, 2015, report. City Engineer, Phil Lum, reported on the following issues:

- Regarding 1200 Darr, Mr. Lum wants the Building Department to look more closely at the different sections of the Code Book before approving the plans. There may be a possibility of a "special use"; and
- He has been speaking with Alderman Paro about designating certain areas of BN as historic, especially the homes on Bellefontaine Road. If the MO Preservation Board makes this acknowledgement, the city may be able to get certain grants.

CITY ATTORNEY: Alderman Paro asked the City Attorney about an article of Proposition B and a special use tax. There was a discussion if this would be reasonable to put on the ballot. An analysis should be done to determine if this would be productive.

Mr. O'Keefe explained the importance of Proposition B.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 2016-1 - INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN ROTH

A RESOLUTION OF THE BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS BOARD OF ALDERMEN TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE CITY'S 457 PLAN AND TRUST.

Alderman Roth made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-1, seconded by Alderman Schultz. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 2016-2 - INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN ROTH

A RESOLUTION OF THE BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS BOARD OF ALDERMEN TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE CITY'S 401 (A) COMPENSATION & MATCHING PLAN.

Alderman Roth made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-2, seconded by Alderman Fields. Motion carried unanimously.

BILL NO. 2437 – INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN ROTH

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2327 AND THE FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS PURSUANT THERETO.

Alderman Roth read the Bill for the first time and moved for approval of the first reading of Bill No. 2437 and to go on to the second reading. The motion was seconded by Alderman Smith. Motion passed unanimously. Alderman Roth then read Bill No. 2437 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 Smith. Motion carried unanimously. **Upon the roll being called the votes were cast as follows:** Alderman Roth, yes; Alderman Fields, yes; Alderman Paro, yes; Alderman Schultz, yes; Alderman Merz, 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. 2437, the Bill was passed by the Board and will become Ordinance No. 2354 when and if signed by the Mayor.

BILL NO. 2438 – INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN FIELDS

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI, FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND RELATED SERVICES.

Alderman Fields read the Bill for the first time and moved for approval of the first reading of Bill No. 2438 and to go on to the second reading. The motion was seconded by Alderman Roth. Motion passed unanimously. Alderman Fields then read Bill No. 2438 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 Roth. Motion carried unanimously. **Upon the roll being called the votes were cast as follows:** Alderman Fields, yes; Alderman Smith, yes; Alderman Roth, yes; Alderman Merz, yes; Alderman Paro, yes; Alderman Schultz, yes; and Alderman Jordan, yes.

The majority of the members elected to the Board of Aldermen having voted for passage of Bill No. 2438, the Bill was passed by the Board and will become Ordinance No. 2355 when and if signed by the Mayor.

REPORT OF THE MAYOR: Mayor Doerr was excused. Acting Mayor Jordan explained a survey is to be done to determine the quality of the streets for the Bond Issue in order to upgrade the streets.

REPORT OF THE ALDERMEN:

ALDERMAN FIELDS: Welcomed everyone. Congrats to the Christmas winners. He asked Clarence Jackson, with DDC Advertising, to give an update on the latest issues. Public Safety will have a meeting in January, so he will report at the next meeting.

ALDERMAN SMITH: People are still leaving their cars running unattended and the cars are being stolen. He has contacted various agencies about helping with donations regarding the house at 1270 St. Cyr. He has also looked into a Veteran selection process in order to find an occupant.

ALDERMAN ROTH: No report given.

ALDERMAN MERZ: Congratulations to the Christmas winners.

ALDERMAN SCHULTZ: Thanks to the efforts of all the Christmas winners. He commented on the help Family Dollar provided when he complained about the over-flowing trashcans in front of their store.

ALDERMAN PARO: In the earlier discussion about the Historic Register, Alderman Paro suggested a Historic Commission may need to be started. She thanked her grandkids for helping a neighbor by shoveling her driveway. Fort Belle, in Spanish Lake, will be hosting an Eagle Watch Event this Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.; everyone is welcomed. There will be various activities. She wanted to thank Chief Ihler for hosting another basketball game with the Hills Home kids. Thanks to all the Christmas winners for all their hard work.

MARK TRANEL, CITY COLLECTOR: Mr. Tranel stated there are a lot of exciting things going on in the Riverview Gardens School District. In June, Boeing sponsored a trip for fifteen ROTC students from Riverview to visit the National Flight Academy in Pensacola, Florida, where they spent six days living aboard the world's largest simulated aircraft carrier. Also, some other students have been invited to the State Capital. Alderman Smith said VFW Post 335 will sponsor a boy and girl for the Leadership Academy.


MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Alderman Smith moved to open the meeting to the public, with a 3-minute limit, as long as the Acting Mayor deems necessary, seconded by Alderman Schultz. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Alderman Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Alderman Merz. Motion carried unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

ATTEST:


Deni Donovan, City Clerk

Approved by the Board of Alderman on 2/4/2016