

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

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:30 BY President of the Board, Alderman Don Merz; he conducted the meeting tonight in the absence of Mayor Robert J. Doerr. 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 President Merz.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Chief Jeremy Ihler, City Attorney Kevin O'Keefe, City Clerk Deni Donovan, Alderman Herl, Alderman Paro, Alderman Schultz, Alderman Jordan, Alderman Roth, Alderwoman Dailes, and Alderman Fields.

ABSENT: Mayor Robert Doerr; City Collector Mark Tranel

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

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

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Alderman Roth 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.

GINA PARO-WHITE, 99XX JEFFREY: Due to all her help and initiative, Gina raised money for (2) microchip scanners; one for the Bellefontaine Police Department and the other one for the Village of Riverview. She presented Chief Ihler with the scanner who was very grateful.

RONALD RICHARDSON, 11XX JENNINGS STATION ROAD: He had concerns about seeing 18-wheeler trucks driving down the road; they are not allowed to travel in the City of Bellefontaine. Chief Ihler took down the times the trucks were seen travelling through and will follow up. Also, Mr. Richardson questioned the definition of a derelict vehicle. He received a warning about a flat tire on his vehicle and was given (5) days to take care of the problem. Since he did not, his car was towed. He understood the consequences.

President Merz asked if anyone else wished to address the Board. Hearing none, Alderman Roth moved to bring the meeting back to the Board, seconded by Alderman Fields. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Board reviewed the July, 2015–June, 2016, report. Mr. Krenn was not in attendance.

INVOICES OVER \$500: Alderman Roth moved to pay invoices 1 through 8 in the amount of \$64,166.07 for the month of June, 2016, seconded by Alderwoman Dailes. Motion carried unanimously.

INVOICES UNDER \$500: The Board of Aldermen reviewed items 1 through 94 in the amount of \$12,950.54 for the month of June, 2016.

INVOICES OVER \$500: Alderman Roth moved to pay invoices 1 through 17 in the amount of \$30,188.22 for July 1-14, 2016, seconded by Alderman Jordan. Motion carried unanimously.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT: The Board reviewed the June, 2016, Collector's report at the July 7, 2016, Board of Aldermen meeting. Dr. Tranel was excused tonight.

PLANNING & ZONING: The Board reviewed the July 21, 2016, Minutes. Chairman Bob Stolte was excused.

Due to Chairman Bob Stolte's absence, Alderman Schultz made a motion to have the City Engineer review the 2012 St. Louis County's International Building Codes, and based on his review and recommendation, proceed to bring the City of Bellefontaine Neighbors in line with the International Building Codes adopted by St. Louis County and the Riverview Fire Department, seconded by Alderman Paro. Motion carried unanimously.

CITY ENGINEER: The Board reviewed the May, 2016, report. City Engineer, Phil Lum, was not in attendance.

BUILDING INSPECTOR: The Board reviewed the June, 2016, report. Joe Raben reported on the following issues:

- Occupancy inspections are up;
- The house on Norwich, being rehabbed by Habitat for Humanity, is starting to move forward;
- The fields at Mathews/Dickey are moving forward – one of the fields will be a Cardinal Care field;
- Maclan Industries have begun their renovations;
- New Spring Church have begun their renovations; and
- Ruler Foods are starting to install their equipment. They will, also, begin with the parking lot upgrades very soon.

CITY ATTORNEY: No report given.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

REPORT OF THE MAYOR: Mayor Doerr was excused.

REPORT OF THE ALDERMEN:

ALDERMAN FIELDS: He attended his first Image & Beautification meeting. They are in great need of more members. He talked about having a "document shredding" event for residents. He will meet with the City Clerk.

ALDERWOMAN DAILES: Reminded everyone to attend the 2nd informational meeting about the Bond Issue on July 28th at 7:00 p.m.

ALDERMAN ROTH: Thanked Alderman Jordan for all his hard work and effort putting together information for the Bond Issue meetings and for chairing the meeting last night.

ALDERMAN HERL: Thanked Gina for the contribution of the microchip scanner.

ALDERMAN PARO: She is very upset about all the power outages her and her neighbors have been experiencing. Ameren has assigned an engineer to do a study about the issues. Thanks to Gina for the scanner. Alderman Paro is starting a campaign to help raise funds to help the residents of the MO Hills Home pay to swim at the Rec Center. Her grandkids, who were in attendance tonight, said how much they enjoyed the Summer Camp sponsored by the Police Department.

ALDERMAN SCHULTZ: Thanks again to Alderman Jordan for the excellent job he did at the Bond Issue meeting last night; his information was very helpful. Thank you to Gina for the scanner.

ALDERMAN JORDAN: No report given.

JEREMY IHLER, CHIEF OF POLICE: Chief Ihler spoke about the following:

- He reported the 13-year old who shot the store owners on July 19th is in custody;
- There was a rumor that the Bellefontaine Police were involved in a policy pursuit – they were not;
- Thanks again to Gina for the scanner. He would be very interested in working with her to sponsor a “chip-a-thon” for the residents’ dogs; and
- He stressed what a very difficult and trying time the police are going through now. All public support is greatly appreciated. He thought the idea of using “blue” light bulbs in support of the police was a great idea.

MARK TRANEL, CITY COLLECTOR: Dr. Tranel was excused.

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

KATHY MASON, 10XX DONNELL: She brought up the idea of using blue light bulbs in support of the police.

YOLANDA POE, 12XX DANVILLE: As an Ameren employee, she stressed patience during this time of extreme heat and power outages. Alderman Jordan asked about an Ameren Program to replace damaged lights; Yolanda said it has begun.

ALICIA SMITH, 94XX DUENKE: President Merz will talk with her after the meeting about a Rec Center issue she has asked about. She thanked Alderwoman Dailes for taking her to visit with the police to bring them some food in support of their efforts. Thanks to Alderman Jordan for his presentation at the Bond Issue last night.

President Merz asked if anyone else wished to address the Board. Hearing none, Alderman Roth moved to bring the meeting back to the Board, seconded by Alderman Roth. Motion carried unanimously

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

MEETING ADJOURNED: Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

ATTEST:

Deni Donovan
Deni Donovan, City Clerk

Approved by the Board of Alderman on August 4, 2016