

**CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES
December 15, 2016**

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY Mayor Robert J. Doerr 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 Mayor Doerr.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Robert J. Doerr, City Collector Dr. Mark Tranel, City Attorney Kevin O'Keefe, Chief of Police Jeremy Ihler, City Clerk Deni Donovan, Alderman Herl, Alderman Paro, Alderman Schultz, Alderman Merz, Alderman Jordan, Alderman Roth, and Alderman Fields.

ABSENT: Alderwoman Dailes

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

PRESENTATION OF THE UNAPPROVED MINUTES: Alderman Merz moved for approval of the December 1, 2016, Minutes of the Board of Aldermen Meeting, seconded by Alderman Roth. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Before the Public Hearing, Mayor Doerr asked Chief Ihler to introduce Sgt. Jason Groves with the Riverview Police Department. Bellefontaine Neighbors PD was involved in a Riverview incident earlier in the year. Sgt. Groves presented Service Awards to the following: Sgt. Spieler (present), Officer Kuechenmeister (not present), Cpl. Piekutowski (present), and Officer Lederer (not present). Sgt. Groves thanked everyone and said it was an honor to be here tonight and he appreciates the great working relationship the two departments have. Phyllis Paro, Riverview Trustee, was also in attendance.

PUBLIC HEARING: To hear public comments on a Conditional Use Permit for Christ Temple Family Church located at 10600 Bellefontaine Road.

Mayor Doerr asked if anyone had any comments on this subject only.

PASTOR EVELYN FIELDS: She is very excited to be a part of Bellefontaine Neighbors. Their congregation has been together for (12) years. They are non-denominational and have many outreach programs.

Alderman Schultz and Alderman Fields expressed their interest in having Christ Temple Family Church participate with the Image & Beautification Board and the Youth Board Commission.

Mayor Doerr asked if anyone else wished to address the Board on this subject only. Alderman Merz made a motion to close the Public Hearing and to open up the meeting to the public for general comment, seconded by Alderman Schultz. Motion Carried unanimously.

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

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Board reviewed the July-November, 2016, report. City Treasurer, Bill Krenn, commented on his report. There was a discussion about the Sewer Lateral Fund and the fact that it may be affected during the street improvement project. MSD is actively working with the city on the sewer issues.

INVOICES OVER \$500: Alderman Roth moved to pay invoices 1 through 9 in the amount of \$15,129.98 for December 5, 2016, seconded by Alderman Fields. Motion carried unanimously. When asked, Mr. Krenn said the invoice for Vector Control (mosquitoes) is an annual bill.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT: The Board reviewed the November, 2016, Collector's report. Dr. Tranel made the following requests of the Board:

- Request for Board approval for the 2017 liquor licenses for businesses which have submitted the required documents: Aldi #6, United Mart, KD Patrol/BP Gas Station, QuikTrip #605, Ruler #408, Knights of Columbus, and Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church.
- Request for Board approval to waive the liquor license fee for the Knights of Columbus and Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church.

Alderman Roth made a motion to approve the requests, as noted, by the City Collector, seconded by Alderman Merz. Motion carried unanimously.

No one has heard anything from Lion Licensing, LLC/Conoco. It seems they may have closed for good.

PLANNING & ZONING: The Board reviewed the December 12, 2016, Minutes. Chairman Bob Stolte reported there was a recommendation from City Engineer, Phil Lum, to amend Section 29-88 regarding Off Street Parking to comply with St. Louis County; a Public Hearing is required.

Per P&Z's recommendation, Alderman Schultz made a motion to schedule a Public Hearing, on January 5, 2017, for public comment to amend Section 29-88, seconded by Alderman Paro. Motion carried unanimously. The City Attorney will prepare the Bill.

Mr. Lum explained why the required changes were needed. These changes will only affect new businesses and will mirror the model parking standards of St. Louis County.

Chairman Stolte welcomed Christ Temple Family Church to the community.

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

- Occupancy inspections have slowed down a bit;
- New construction has begun at Harbor Landings;
- Interest is brewing at the old Huneke location; and
- They are receiving a lot of complaints about residents putting big items at the curb when it isn't a "big item" pick-up day.

CITY ENGINEER: The Board reviewed the November, 2016, report. Mr. Lum continued the discussion on off-street parking requirements.

JEREMY IHLER, CHIEF OF POLICE: The Board reviewed the November, 2016, Police Report. Chief Ihler spoke on the following:

- After the last meeting, there was a shooting which happened in Spanish Lake, but spilled over into Bellefontaine Neighbors. Since it ended here, the Major Case Squad was called in to investigate.
- The hiring process for Officers is moving forward. Chief Ihler believes the hiring of good Officers is crucial for the community; and
- He thanked Sgt. Groves for his recognition of the City's Police Department.

CITY ATTORNEY: Mr. O'Keefe had no report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

BILL NO. 2464 – INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN ROTH

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS PURSUANT THERETO.

The City Treasurer explained the Auditors require the city to amend the budget, if needed, during the year.

Alderman Roth read the Bill for the first time and moved for approval of the first reading of Bill No. 2464 and to go on to the second reading. The motion was seconded by Alderman Schultz. Motion passed unanimously. Alderman Roth then read Bill No. 2464 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 Schultz. Motion carried unanimously. **Upon the roll being called the votes were cast as follows:** Alderman Roth, yes; Alderman Schultz, yes; Alderman Merz, yes; Alderman Jordan, yes; Alderman Herl, yes; Alderman Fields, yes; and Alderman Paro, yes.

The majority of the members elected to the Board of Aldermen having voted for passage of Bill No. 2464, the Bill was passed by the Board and will become Ordinance No. 2380 when and if signed by the Mayor.

BILL NO. 2465 – INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN MERZ

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO CHRIST TEMPLE FAMILY CHURCH, INC., FOR OPERATION OF A CHURCH AT 10600 BELLEFONTAINE ROAD, AND ESTABLISHING CERTAIN CONDITIONS RELATING THERETO.

Alderman Merz read the Bill for the first time and moved for approval of the first reading of Bill No. 2465 and to go on to the second reading. The motion was seconded by Alderman Schultz. Motion passed unanimously. Alderman Merz then read Bill No. 2465 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 Schultz. Motion carried unanimously. **Upon the roll being called the votes were cast as follows:** Alderman Merz, yes; Alderman Schultz, yes; Alderman Paro, yes; Alderman Fields, yes; Alderman Herl, yes; Alderman Roth, yes; and Alderman Jordan, yes.

The majority of the members elected to the Board of Aldermen having voted for passage of Bill No. 2465, the Bill was passed by the Board and will become Ordinance No. 2381 when and if signed by the Mayor.

REPORT OF THE MAYOR: Mayor Doerr reported on the following:

- Mayor Doerr, Officer Owens, and Chief Ihler picked up two carloads of new toys to distribute to area churches;
- The Mayor was given a “heads up” about a MoDOT interchange project happening in 2026;
- The 2017 Legislative Conference will be held in Jefferson City on February 14-15. Mayor Doerr asked for Board approval to attend. Alderman Paro made a motion for approval, seconded by Alderman Schultz. Motion carried unanimously;
- Thanks to Kathy Mason for the Christmas gifts;
- The City is hosting a Kwanzaa celebration on December 28th; and
- Merry Christmas to all and a Happy New Year.

REPORT OF THE ALDERMEN:

ALDERMAN MERZ: Thanks to Kathy for the knitted Christmas gifts. Welcome to Christ Temple Family Church. Thanks to the Police Department for their hard work and dedication.

ALDERMAN JORDAN: Congratulations to those Officers who received awards tonight. Thanks to Kathy. A meeting was held to discuss the upcoming street project. Another one is planned for December 28th. Public meetings will be held sometime after the first of the year.

ALDERMAN ROTH: Welcome to Pastor Fields. Thanks to Kathy for the gifts. Congratulations to the Riverview Gardens School District on their accreditation and to Dr. Tranel and the Special Administrative Board for all their hard work. Happy Holidays!

ALDERMAN FIELDS: Welcome to Pastor Fields. Thanks to Kathy for her Christmas gift. Thanks to the Officers and all the work they do in the community. Everyone have a safe holiday and Happy New Year.

ALDERMAN HERL: Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Thanks to Kathy. Congratulations to the Officers.

ALDERMAN PARO: Thanks to Kathy for thinking of her during the holidays. It's nice to let the Officers know they are doing a good job. Congratulations to all the Officers. Welcome to Christ Temple. She wished everyone the best during the holiday season.

ALDERMAN SCHULTZ: Welcome to Pastor Fields. Thanks to Kathy. Congratulations to the Officers; he's glad they were ready to assist Riverview. Congrats to the Riverview Gardens School District and the SAB. He is looking forward to good things happening in the school district.

MARK TRANEL, CITY COLLECTOR: Dr. Tranel had nothing to report.

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

WANDA LANE, 99XX MARTINGALE ROAD: Thanked Mr. Krenn for his explanation of the budget adjustment. She was upset over the robbery incident at Family Dollar. She suggested maybe they need more security. Chief Ihler will call Family Dollar. There was a discussion on the hiring process and recruitment of Police Officers.

KATHY MASON, 10XX DONNELL: Kathy thanked Mayor Doerr for contributing a lot of the yarn she used for Christmas gifts.

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

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

MEETING ADJOURNED: Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

ATTEST:

Deni Donovan
Deni Donovan, City Clerk

Approved by the Board of Alderman on January 5, 2017