

**CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES
February 16, 2017**

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, Alderwoman Dailes, and Alderman Fields.

ABSENT:

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 February 2, 2017, Minutes of the Board of Aldermen Meeting, seconded by Alderman Fields. 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 Roth. 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-January, 2017, report. City Treasurer, Bill Krenn, commented on his report. The budget is being tracked very closely. A meeting will be scheduled to discuss budget amendments for the 2016-2017 budget years. He told Aldermen Jordan the bond funds (2009 and 2016) are tracked separately. Mayor Doerr addressed the subject of sewer lateral work being done on streets now as opposed to after the street improvements. Building Inspector, Joe Raben, is addressing those issues now. An explanation was given about how the Neighborhood Improvement District (NID) came about in Green Acres for street repairs. The City hired City & Village to collect the assessments.

INVOICES OVER \$500: Alderman Roth moved to pay invoices 1 through 9 in the amount of \$20,423.02 for February 6-10, 2017, seconded by Alderman Schultz. Motion carried unanimously.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT: The Board reviewed the January, 2017, Collector's report.

PLANNING & ZONING: The Board reviewed the February 13, 2017, Minutes. Chairman Bob Stolte reported on the following:

- A Letter of Intent was submitted for a Metro PCS store located at the Bissell Hills Shopping Center. Inspections have been done.

- A Letter of Intent was submitted to operate a snack shop located at 1200 Darr Drive. Inspections are being scheduled along with putting in a wheelchair ramp.
- Bellefontaine Baptist Church is applying for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to operate a daycare center located at 1410 Kilgore Drive. Mr. Stolte asked for Board approval to schedule a Public Hearing on March 16, 2017. Alderman Jordan made a motion to approve the Public Hearing, seconded by Alderman Roth. Motion carried unanimously.
- A Letter of Intent was submitted for a CUP for the Conoco Station located at 949 Chambers Road. Inspections will need to be done. One of the signs is in need of repair. They have requested extended hours of operation. Mr. Stolte asked for Board approval to schedule a Public Hearing on March 16, 2017. Alderman Schultz made a motion to approve the Public Hearing, seconded by Alderman Merz. Motion carried unanimously.

There was a discussion as to Conoco's request for a liquor license. Mr. Tranel will wait until the CUP is approved to proceed. Also, the City Attorney will review the site plan.

BUILDING INSPECTOR: The Board reviewed the January, 2017, report. Joe Raben reported on the following issues:

- January was a slower month;
- Sewer lateral projects were up;
- The auto shop on Lilac is progressing;
- The new home in Harbor Landing is going up quickly;
- New Spring Church has opened; and
- He explained to Alderman Merz, the Fire Department will not install free smoke alarms on rental homes – it is the owner's responsibility.

CITY ENGINEER: The Board reviewed the January, 2017, report. Mr. Lum reported on the following issues:

- Reviewed a sign permit at the new phone store opening in the Bissell Hills Shopping Center;
- Reviewed the new cell tower permits; and
- Discussed the barricades at the old North County Journal Building. A letter has been sent to the owner requesting a permit.

Mr. Lum introduced Muriel Sharpley, a fellow architect, who is a resident of Bellefontaine Neighbors.

JEREMY IHLER, CHIEF OF POLICE: The Board reviewed the January, 2017, Police Report. Chief Ihler reported PD has hired two new Officers who will start the week of March 5th.

CITY ATTORNEY: Mr. O'Keefe apologized for missing the last Board meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

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

- Mayor Doerr attended the Municipal League Conference February 14-15; it was very interesting. At the conference, the Metro Mayors had a meeting with numerous Missouri Mayors. Most of the discussion was on the decisions being made by the legislatures. The Mayors will be "working as one" to get changes

made. He was able to meet with State Senator Gina Walsh and Representative Tommie Pierson, Jr.

- The Black History Celebration was a big success; kudos to Alderwoman Dailes for all her hard work.

REPORT OF THE ALDERMEN:

ALDERMAN FIELDS: Image and Beautification will be meeting on March 14; they are looking for new members. They will meet to discuss new and fresh ideas. He had a really good time at the Black History event.

ALDERMAN HERL: Congratulations to Alderwoman Dailes on the successful event.

ALDERMAN PARO: Congrats to Alderwoman Dailes; she looks forward to working with her on the event next year. Welcome to Muriel Sharpley. She invited him to check out the Planning & Zoning meetings. Congratulations to Alderman Herl on his retirement from Laclede Gas after (32) years.

ALDERMAN SCHULTZ: Congrats to Alderman Herl. Welcome to Mr. Sharpley. Thanks to all those who worked on the Black History event. He's looking forward to next year's celebration.

ALDERMAN MERZ: Thanks to Alderwoman Dailes' hard work and congrats to Alderman Herl on his retirement.

ALDERMAN JORDAN: No report given.

ALDERMAN ROTH: He thanked the city and everyone for their support and condolences after his dad passed away recently. His mom is doing better. He asked the Street Department to check out a fallen tree at the corner of Tappan and Kilgore.

ALDERWOMAN DAILES: Congratulations to Alderman Herl on his retirement. Thanks to Mayor Doerr, the city employees, her committee, and all those who helped make the Black History Celebration a huge success.

MARK TRANEL, CITY COLLECTOR: Dr. Tranel reiterated what the Mayor said; the impact of the decisions being made by State Legislatures is great.

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 Roth. Motion carried unanimously.

MURIEL SHARPLEY, 94 GREEN ACRES: He was really impressed by the meeting and how congenial everyone was. He has been a resident since 2000. He thanked everyone for the invite and for making him feel welcomed.

At this time, Alderwoman Dailes gave away some of the gift cards she had leftover from the Expo by asking trivia questions.

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 Herl. Motion carried unanimously.

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

MEETING ADJOURNED: Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Deni Donovan
Deni Donovan, City Clerk

Approved by the Board of Alderman on March 2, 2017