

**CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES
April 5, 2018**

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 Attorney Kevin O'Keefe, City Collector Dr. Mark Tranel, Chief of Police Jeremy Ihler, City Clerk Deni Donovan, Alderman Paro, Alderman Schultz, Alderman Merz, Alderman Jordan, Alderwoman Dailes, Alderman Fields.

ABSENT: Alderman Herl

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

PRESENTATION OF THE UNAPPROVED MINUTES: Alderman Schultz moved for approval of the March 15, 2018, Minutes of the Board of Aldermen Meeting, seconded by Alderman Fields. Motion carried unanimously.

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

THERESA REED, 11XX AVANT DRIVE: Mrs. Reed was concerned about the "drop boxes" at area filling stations. Mayor Doerr said he called the owners who said they will maintain them.

MARCIE GOODEN, 94XX DUENKE DRIVE: Ms. Gooden was told there have been no updates regarding the nuisance ordinance.

WANDA LANE, 99XX MARTINGALE ROAD: Ms. Lane had concerns regarding billing issues for the Labor Attorney and City Attorney.

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

COMMISSION AND BOARD REPORTS:

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION: The Board reviewed the March 22, 2018, Minutes. Chief Ihler reported they spoke about "shots fired" at Ruler's and he gave an update on Administrative Search Warrants.

YOUTH COMMISSION: The Board reviewed the March 19, 2018, Minutes. Alderman Schultz reported Hoops Madness was a fun time. The Bike Rodeo is scheduled for May 12th and the Youth Fishing Experience will be June 9th. There was a discussion about looking for another vendor for bike helmets.

IMAGE & BEAUTIFICATION BOARD: The Board reviewed the March 13, 2018, Minutes. Alderman Fields reported that due to bad weather, the Trash Bash was canceled on March 24th; April 28th is the new clean up date. All are encouraged to help. The Board is reviewing the designs of the new beautification "home winner" signs which will be ordered soon.

PARKS BOARD REPORT: The Board reviewed the March 20, 2018, Minutes. Alderman Merz reported the following:

- Bissell Hills Park is under construction;
- Call the Rec Center regarding dates for the Nature Fishing Program for kids at the Conservation Area;
- April 21st is the Mayor's Golf Tournament;
- A new bus driver has been hired; and
- The Easter Egg Hunt and Arbor Day were celebrated on March 31st.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR: Mark Dickerson was excused. Martha Snead reported on the following:

- They are working on pool and park maintenance issues;
- The brochure will be going out around the 2nd week of May;
- The Rec Center will be hosting a Veterans Meeting; and
- The Summer Swim Team will be starting up soon. She expects about 100-110 swimmers this year. She invited all to come and root on the swim team.

INVOICES OVER \$500: None given.

CHIEF IHLER: Chief Ihler reported on the following:

- Eventually, the city will host a public forum to discuss body cameras;
- April 25th is the Annual Prayer Breakfast;
- May 5th is the State Police Memorial;
- National Police Week is May 13-19;
- He is starting to prepare the budget; and
- He gave an update on the hiring process.

CITY ATTORNEY: No report given.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

BILL NO. 2504 – INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN MERZ

AN ORDINANCE VACATING AN EASEMENT.

Alderman Merz read the Bill for the first time and moved for approval of the first reading only of Bill No. 2504, seconded by Alderman Schultz. Motion passed unanimously.

BILL NO. 2505 – INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN PARO

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI FOR NEXT GENERATION 9-1-1 SERVICE.

Alderman Paro read the Bill for the first time and moved for approval of the first reading of Bill No. 2505 and to go on to the second reading. The motion was seconded by Alderman Fields. Motion passed unanimously. Alderman Paro then read Bill No. 2505 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 Paro; yes; Alderwoman Dailes, yes; Alderman Fields, yes; Alderman Jordan, yes; Alderman Merz, yes; and Alderman Schultz, yes.

The majority of the members elected to the Board of Aldermen having voted for passage of Bill No. 2505, the Bill was passed by the Board and will become Ordinance No. 2419 when and if signed by the Mayor.

REPORT OF THE MAYOR:

Mayor Doerr reported on the following issue:

- A census coordinator is needed to help with getting information out to the residents;
- Teresia Metz is the new Administrator at the Missouri Veterans Home – she'll begin April 16th;
- Anthony Kiekow is the new Director of Communications at the Riverview Gardens School District – he'll begin on April 26th; and
- The newly elected officials will be sworn in at a Board of Aldermen Meeting once the Board of Elections certifies the results.

REPORT OF THE ALDERMEN:

ALDERMAN SCHULTZ: Congratulated the election winners. He said he enjoyed serving the city for the last six (6) years. He joked that maybe now he would be eligible for the Christmas Decoration Award!

ALDERMAN MERZ: Congratulations to the winners.

ALDERMAN JORDAN: He thanked all those he came out to vote.

ALDERWOMAN DAILES: Congratulations to Barbara West, Jim Christian, Theresa Reed, and Miranda Avant-Elliott. Thanks to Aldermen Scott Schultz, Shirley Paro, and Andrew Fields for all their years of service. She is working on moving the Black History Event to the end of February.

ALDERMAN FIELDS: Thanks to the Street Department for fixing all the potholes. He attended the MU Extension Dinner; it was very informative. He thanked all for the opportunity to work with the city. Welcome to all the new Aldermen.

ALDERMAN PARO: There was a discussion about the "Promise Zone" sponsored by St. Louis County and monies from Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

CITY COLLECTOR: Dr. Tranel, along with the Special Administrative Board, thanked all those who supported Prop R.

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

MARCIE GOODEN, 94XX DUENKE DRIVE: She was concerned about a pothole on Wentworth. Chief Ihler told her as long as cars are parked legally, there is no limit a resident can have.

BARBARA WEST, 97XX CALUMET DRIVE: She had more questions about Attorney billing issues. There was a discussion on how the Labor Attorney was hired and the FOP issue. She later thanked Aldermen Paro, Schultz, and Fields for their years of service. She said the congratulations were much appreciated.

CLARENCE WILSON, 12XX ST CYR ROAD: Discussion on a nuisance home on St Cyr Road.

WANDA LANE, 99XX MARTINGALE ROAD: More discussion about the City Attorney and Labor Attorney. More discussion on the "Promise Zone". Attorney O'Keefe read the definition of the "Promise Zone" from the St. Louis County's website.

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

Alderman Schultz 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, City Clerk

Approved by the Board of Alderman on April 19, 2018