

**CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
AUGUST 20, 2020 – 7:30PM  
VIA ZOOM**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Tommie Pierson, Alderwoman Barbara West, Alderwoman Dinah Tatman, Alderwoman Theresa Reed, Alderman James Carroll, Alderman James Thomas, Alderman Jim Christian, Alderwoman Alease Dailes, Alderwoman Miranda Avant-Elliott, City Attorney Dorothy White-Coleman, Police Chief Jeremy Ihler, City Clerk Fran Stevens.

**MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY** Mayor Pierson at 7:30 pm. 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.

**ROLL CALL** made by City Clerk Fran Stevens and all Board of Aldermen was present.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion made** by Alderwoman Dailes to approve agenda as-is seconded by Alderwoman Tatman. **Votes are as follows:** Alderwoman West-no, Alderwoman Tatman-yes, Alderwoman Reed-no, Alderman Carroll-no, Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Christian-no, Alderwoman Dailes-yes, Alderwoman Avant-Elliott-no. Mayor stated **Motion failed with vote of 5-3. Mayor called the meeting adjourned for lack of approval of agenda. Time is 7:33pm. There was discussion.**

**MEETING BROUGHT BACK TO ORDER: TIME IS 8:03pm.**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion made** by Alderwoman West to amend the agenda to remove line item 14-C (1) Bill No. 2020-2592 and place on next meeting agenda seconded by Alderwoman Avant-Elliott. **Votes are as follows:** Alderwoman West-yes, Alderwoman Tatman-yes, Alderwoman Reed-yes, Alderman Carroll-yes, Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Christian-yes, Alderwoman Dailes-yes, Alderwoman Avant-Elliott-yes. Mayor stated **Motion passed with vote of 8-0.**

**Motion to** accept the amended agenda removing Bill No. 2020-2592 as stated by Alderwoman West made by Alderwoman Dailes seconded by Alderwoman Tatman. **Votes are as follows:** Alderwoman West-yes, Alderwoman Tatman-yes, Alderwoman Reed-yes, Alderman Carroll-no, Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Christian-yes, Alderwoman Dailes-yes, Alderwoman Avant-Elliott-no. Mayor stated **Motion passed with vote of 6-2.**

**PRESENTATION OF UNAPPROVED MINUTES: 8/6/2020- REGULAR MEETING: Motion to** approve August 6, 2020 Meeting Minutes made by Alderwoman Dailes seconded by Alderwoman West. **Votes are as follows:** Alderwoman West-no, Alderwoman Tatman-yes, Alderwoman Reed-no, Alderman Carroll-no, Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Christian-yes, Alderwoman Dailes-yes, Alderwoman Avant-Elliott-no. **With a vote of 4 – 4 Mayor breaks the tie with yes vote and stated the minutes are approved.**

**MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC:** The meeting was opened to the public to speak 3 minutes each.

**CITY TREASURER’S REPORT: NONE**

**A. APPROVAL OF INVOICES OVER \$500: Motion to** approve invoices over \$500.00, there are 15 invoices for a total of \$61,411 excluding check #42928 for \$675 for further discussion made by Alderwoman Reed seconded by Alderwoman Avant-Elliott. **Votes are as follows:** Alderwoman West-yes, Alderwoman

Tatman-yes, Alderwoman Reed-yes, Alderman Carroll-yes, Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Christian-yes, Alderwoman Dailes-yes, Alderwoman Avant-Elliott-yes. Mayor stated **Motion passed with vote of 8-0.**

**CITY COLLECTOR'S REPORT: NONE**

**PLANNING AND ZONING REPORT:** Report given by Pat Barrett.

**BUILDING INSPECTOR REPORT:** Report given by Joe Raben.

**CITY ENGINEER REPORT:** Report given by Clayton Klein.

**CHIEF OF POLICE – EMPLOYEE INSURANCE:** Chief Ihler's report included discussions regarding employee insurance, individuals leaving their automobile running without an attendant present, locking their automobile and removing personal items when leaving the auto. **Motion to** allow individual to attend the Police Academy made by Alderwoman Dailes seconded by Alderman Thomas. **Motion to** amend the motion and place the approval of a candidate to attend the police academy on the next general board meeting agenda made by Alderwoman Avant-Elliott seconded by Alderman Carroll. Mayor asked for yeas and nays. Mayor stated **Motion passed.**

**CITY ATTORNEY:** City Attorney Dorothy White-Coleman discussed the meeting of August 12, 2020 and the (2) nuisance ordinances.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A. FAMILY DOLLAR STORE LIQUOR LICENSE – ALICIA WILLIAMS**

**Motion to** table the Family Dollar Store liquor license item to an agenda during the Special Board Meeting scheduled for Thursday August 27, 2020 at 7 pm made by Alderwoman Avant-Elliott seconded by Alderwoman Reed. **Motion to** amend the meeting to 7:30 made by Alderman Carroll seconded by Alderwoman Avant-Elliott. **Votes are as follows:** Alderwoman West-yes, Alderwoman Tatman-yes, Alderwoman Reed-yes, Alderman Carroll-yes, Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Christian-yes, Alderwoman Dailes-yes, Alderwoman Avant-Elliott-yes. Mayor stated **Motion passed with vote of 8-0.**

**B. OPEN BID PROPOSAL OF ROAD SALT & DELIVERY FOR WINTER 2020/2021**

**Mayor opened** the (1) sealed bid received from Oakley in the amount of \$64.50 per ton. This will be a line item on the August 27, 2020 agenda.

**C. ORDINANCES**

**1. BILL NO. 2020 – 2592 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 19 OF THE BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS CITY CODE RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC PEACE AND SAFETY – ALDERWOMAN WEST**

**Bill No. 2020-2592** was tabled until next meeting of August 27, 2020 at 7:30pm.

**2. BILL NO. 2020 - 2593, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE III NUISANCES OF CHAPTER 13 HEALTH AND SANITATION OF THE BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS CITY CODE – ALDERWOMAN WEST.**

**Motion made** by Alderwoman West to read Bill No. 2020-2593 for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> time seconded by Alderman Carroll. Mayor asked for yeas and nays. Mayor stated the **Motion passed.** **Motion to** read Bill No. 2020-2593 for second time made by Alderwoman West. Alderwoman Tatman seconded 2<sup>nd</sup> read. **Votes are as follows:**

Alderwoman West-yes, Alderwoman Tatman-yes, Alderwoman Reed-yes, Alderman Carroll-yes, Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Christian-yes, Alderwoman Dailes-yes, Alderwoman Avant-Elliott-yes. Mayor stated **Motion passed with 8-0 vote.**

**Bill No. 2020-2593 will become Ordinance No. 2585 if and when signed by the Mayor.**

**3. BILL NO. 2020 – 2594, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTATION NECESSARY TO JOIN MIRMA HEALTH; APPROVING THE FORM OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO THAT END; AND FIXING THE TIME WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE – ALDERMAN THOMAS**

**Motion made** by Alderman Thomas to read Bill No. 2020-2594 for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> time seconded by Alderman Christian. Alderwoman Avant-Elliott opposed and Mayor stated **Motion passed.** Motion to read Bill No. 2020-2594 for second time made by Alderman Thomas. Alderwoman Dailes seconded 2<sup>nd</sup> read. **Votes are as follows:** Alderwoman West-yes, Alderwoman Tatman-yes, Alderwoman Reed-no, Alderman Carroll-yes, Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Christian-yes, Alderwoman Dailes-yes, Alderwoman Avant-Elliott-no. Mayor stated **Motion passed with 6-2 vote.**

**Bill No. 2020-2594 will become Ordinance No. 2586 if and when signed by the Mayor.**

**D. DISCUSSION OF WARD 4 STREET CLOSURES – ALDERWOMAN DAILES**

**Motion for** the Board of Alderman to approve \$7917.12 for the barriers in Ward 4 made by Alderwoman Dailes seconded by Alderman Thomas.

**Motion to amend** the motion to place this topic of the barriers before the planning and zoning committee and to the public safety committee to provide the board a further report made by Alderwoman Avant-Elliott seconded by Alderwoman Reed. Mayor stated that this **Motion was not recognized by the chair and this is out of order. Votes are as follows (for Alderwoman Dailes' motion):** Alderwoman West-yes, Alderwoman Tatman-yes, Alderwoman Reed-no, Alderman Carroll-no, Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Christian-yes, Alderwoman Dailes-yes, Alderwoman Avant-Elliott-no. Mayor stated **Motion passed with 5-3.**

**Motion to** amend the agenda and move all remaining items to the agenda for next Thursday's Special Board Meeting on August 27, 2020, to include previously approved agenda items and move to adjournment made by Alderwoman Avant-Elliott seconded by Alderwoman West.

**Motion to** amend the motion to only include the items from tonight's meeting due to the lateness of the hour. And move to adjourn made by Alderman Thomas.

**After point of order** made by Alderman Carroll regarding the prior motion and the amendment to the motion Mayor ruled that the point of order is out of order.

**Motion to** appeal the ruling of the chair made by Alderman Carroll seconded by Alderwoman Avant-Elliott. **Votes are as follows:** Alderwoman West-yes, Alderwoman Tatman-no answer, Alderwoman Reed-yes, Alderman Carroll-yes, Alderman Thomas-no, Alderman Christian-yes, Alderwoman Dailes-yes, Alderwoman Avant-Elliott-yes. Mayor stated **Motion passed with 6-2 vote.**

**After ruling on the point of order, roll call was made for the remaining items on the agenda to move to Special Meeting of August 27, 2020 to include previously approved agenda items and move to adjournment. Votes are as follows:** Alderwoman West-yes, Alderwoman Tatman-no, Alderwoman Reed-yes, Alderman Carroll-yes, Alderman Thomas-no, Alderman Christian-no, Alderwoman Dailes-no, Alderwoman Avant-Elliott-yes. **With vote of 4 – 4, Mayor broke the tie with no vote and stated motion failed.**

**18. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion to** adjourn Regular BOA Meeting and place all remaining items on the next agenda made by Alderwoman Avant-Elliott seconded by Alderwoman West. **Votes are as follows:** Alderwoman West-yes, Alderwoman Tatman-no, Alderwoman Reed-yes, Alderman Carroll-yes, Alderman Thomas-no, Alderman Christian-no, Alderwoman Dailes-no, Alderwoman Avant-Elliott-yes. **With vote of 4 – 4, Mayor broke the tie with yes vote and stated motion passed.**

Meeting adjourned at 12:13 am.

**ATTEST:**



Fran Stevens, City Clerk

Approved by the Board of Aldermen on 10-1-2020