

**CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES  
April 19, 2012**

**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, Chief Pruett, City Attorney Kevin O'Keefe, City Clerk Deni Donovan, Alderman Migliazzo, Alderman Paro, Alderman Merz, Alderman Jordan, Alderman Roth, Alderman Smith, and Alderman Hollis.

**ABSENT:** City Collector Mark Tranel

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

**PRESENTATION OF THE UNAPPROVED MINUTES:** Alderman Jordan moved for approval of the April 5, 2012, Minutes of the Board of Aldermen Meeting, seconded by Alderman Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

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

**JERRY MCGEE, 1527 HAVILAND:** Thanked the City for the work they did regarding the street updates. Complained on how loud the ice cream truck's music was; the Chief said to call the police when the incident occurs. He, also, complained about all the motor scooters driving around.

**WILLIE ROBERSON, 1422 HAVILAND:** As Trustee, he thanked the City for the street updates.

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

**CHIEF'S REPORT:** The Board reviewed the March, 2012 report. The Chief had no other report.

**COLLECTOR'S REPORT:** The Board reviewed the March, 2012 report. Collector Tranel was excused.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The Board reviewed the July, 2011 through March, 2012, report. Treasurer Abeln said the City is +\$150,000 in income for the year. Some of that is due to the Motor Vehicle Tax.

**INVOICES OVER \$500:** Alderman Roth moved to pay invoices 1 through 23 in the amount of \$52,846.21 for the months of March/April, 2012, seconded by Alderman Merz. Motion carried unanimously.

**INVOICES UNDER \$500:** The Board of Aldermen reviewed items 1 through 121 in the amount of \$16,588.29, for the month of March, 2012.

**PLANNING & ZONING:** The Board reviewed the April 9, 2012, report. Chairman Bob Stolte reported on the possibility of a Cricket Store to go in at 10008A Bellefontaine Road. Alderman Smith wanted to make sure there are no problems with the company putting up temporary signs; he has seen that at other locations.

**BUILDING INSPECTOR:** The Board reviewed the March, 2012, report. Ted Stocker reported on the following:

- There is still some confusion as to whether the Occupancy sticker should be put on the door or in close proximity. Alderman Paro made a motion to proceed as stated in the Ordinance; there was no second. Motion did not carry. A discussion continued as to the need for a motion if it is already a part of the City's Code.
- Inspections are up;
- There was a house fire on Marias – question as to whether it will be demolished. There have been (6) fires so far this year;
- Tall grass continues to be a problem;
- The Assistant Building Inspector, Joe, is keeping very busy;
- White Castle is getting ready to open the dining room;
- Hope Church – the (2) buildings have finally been torn down;
- Family Dollar should be opening up the other side soon, but having some shelving problems;
- QuikTrip is having a holdup with getting approval from St. Louis County regarding the extra entrance into their facility; and
- Alderman Smith had a question about Ted's report.

**CITY ENGINEER:** The Board reviewed the March, 2012 report. City Engineer Phil Lum reported on the following:

- A letter from the City Engineer has been requested concerning the electric signal at QuikTrip;
- Ted, the Building Inspector and Phil attended the S.L.A.C.E. meeting. The topic was the coordination between Municipalities regarding vacancy problems. The City Attorney explained the authority is different between Charter Cities and different class cities. Phil referred to this issue in an email sent to the Building Department on April 19<sup>th</sup>.

CITY ATTORNEY: No report given.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: N/A

NEW BUSINESS:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2012-5 - INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN JORDAN**

**The City of Bellefontaine Neighbors desires to have the option of annexing certain unincorporated territory in St. Louis County contiguous to the City as hereinafter described when and if the best interests of the City should warrant.**

Alderman Jordan made a motion to approve Resolution 2012-5, seconded by Alderman Roth. Motion carried unanimously.

**BILL NO. 2295 - INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN HOLLIS**

**AN ORDINANCE DECLARING RESULTS OF THE GENERAL CITY ELECTION HELD BY THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS, MISSOURI, ON TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 2012.**

Alderman Hollis read the Bill for the first time and moved for approval of the first reading only of Bill No. 2295 and to go onto the second reading. The motion was seconded by Alderman Roth. Motion carried unanimously. Alderman Hollis then read Bill No. 2295 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 Roth. Motion carried unanimously. **Upon the roll being called the votes were cast as follows:** Alderman Hollis, yes; Alderman Smith, yes; Alderman Merz, yes; Alderman Paro, yes; Alderman Jordan, Alderman Migliazzo, yes; and Alderman Roth, yes.

The majority of the members elected to the Board of Aldermen having voted for passage of Bill No. 2295, the bill was passed by the Board and will become Ordinance No. 2214 when and if signed by the Mayor.

**BILL NO. 2296 – INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN MERZ**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS WITH HORNER & SHIFRIN, INC. FOR ENGINEERING, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE BELGROVE/COBURG LANDS AND ST. CYR ROAD PROJECTS.**

Alderman Merz read the Bill for the first time and moved for approval of the first reading only of Bill No. 2296 and to go onto the second reading. The motion was seconded by Alderman Paro. Motion carried unanimously. Alderman Merz then read Bill No. 2296 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 Paro. Motion carried unanimously. **Upon the roll being called the votes were cast as follows:** Alderman Merz, yes; Alderman Migliazzo, yes; Alderman Hollis, yes; Alderman Smith, yes; Alderman Roth, yes; Alderman Jordan , yes; and Alderman Paro, yes.

The majority of the members elected to the Board of Aldermen having voted for passage of Bill No. 2296, the Bill was passed by the Board and will become Ordinance No. 2215 when and if signed by the Mayor.

## **APPOINTMENTS:**

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

- After completing his 1<sup>st</sup> year in office, Mayor Doerr thanked the Board for their help and patience;
- On April 18<sup>th</sup>, he attended a luncheon at the Veteran's Home to recognize their volunteers. The Mayor is very proud to have the Veteran's Home in Bellefontaine Neighbors; and
- Last Saturday, he, along with the Chief, City Clerk and Aldermen Jordan, Smith, Merz and Paro attended the soft Grand Opening of the Mathews-Dickey/Bob Russell Park. It not only was well attended, but was a huge success.

## **APPOINTMENT OF SCOTT SCHULTZ**

Mayor Doerr appointed Scott Schultz to fill the open position of Alderman in Ward 2. City Clerk Deni Donovan swore in Scott Schultz. Alderman Schultz resigned from Planning & Zoning and the Youth Commission. Mayor Doerr congratulated the newly sworn in Alderman Schultz as he took his seat on the dais. Merz made a motion to approve Mayor's Doerr appointment of Scott Schultz, seconded by Alderman Roth. Motion carried unanimously. The City Attorney reminded the Board since there will not be an election in 2013, Alderman Schultz will not have to run until 2014

## **SWEARING IN ALDERMEN**

Alderman Tony Migliazzo, Alderman Don Merz, Alderman John Jordan and Alderman Anthony Smith were sworn in by City Clerk Deni Donovan.

Alderman Jordan resigned from the Youth Commission as the Aldermanic Rep. Mayor Doerr appointed Alderman Schultz as the Aldermanic Rep.

## **PLANNING & ZONING**

Due to the vacancy existing on the Commission, Mayor Doerr announced the appointment of Willis Dillworth to the Planning & Zoning Commission for a (4) year term. Jordan made a motion to approve Mayor Doerr's appointment of Willis Dillworth, seconded by Alderman Migliazzo. Motion carried unanimously. Willis resigned from the Public Safety Commission. Alderman

## **REPORT OF THE ALDERMEN:**

**ALDERMAN HOLLIS:** Congratulations to the Mayor on completing his first year in office ant to Scott Schultz and all the newly elected Aldermen.

**ALDERMAN JORDAN:** Welcomed Scott Schultz to the Board of Aldermen.

**ALDERMAN ROTH:** Welcomed Willis Dillworth and congratulated all the newly elected Aldermen. He announced the 2012-2013 City Budget is underway and he would like to have it approved by the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting in June.

**ALDERMAN MERZ:** Wished the Mayor Happy Anniversary and congratulated all the newly elected Aldermen. He asked City Engineer Lum if QuikTrip could put up some sort of sound barrier around Bellabrook.

**ALDERMAN MIGLIAZZO:** Congratulations to all the newly elected Aldermen and welcome to Scott Schultz. He thanked all the new Commission members for volunteering their time.

**ALDERMAN PARO:** Congratulations to all the reelected officials. Welcome to Scott Schultz and Willis Dillworth. When asking about National Night Out, Chief Pruet reported it has been changed from August to October 2, 2012. Alderman Paro reported on her Census research at the Records Center.

**ALDERMAN SMITH:** Congratulated Mayor Doerr on his 1<sup>st</sup> year of service and to all reelected officials. He welcomed Scott Schultz to the Board of Aldermen. He invited all to Beautification Day on April 28<sup>th</sup>. Tall grass is an issue; everyone needs to take care of their home. He thanked all those who came to the meeting from Sherwood Hills to voice their opinion. He invited everyone to visit the Veteran's Home.

**ALDERMAN SCHULTZ:** He thanked Mayor Doerr and the Board of Alderman for his appointment. He has lived here most of his life so he is looking forward to this opportunity.

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

**DAVID PROCTOR, 1475 HAVILAND:** Welcomed Scott Schultz to the Board. He complained of Missouri residents buying vehicles in Illinois to avoid paying the difference in sales tax. A discussion followed.

**TOMMIE PIERSON, STATE REPRESENTATIVE:** He congratulated Mayor Doerr on his 1<sup>st</sup> year in office, to all the elected officials and to Scott Schultz. There was a discussion on the issue of reinstating sales tax on vehicles bought in another state. Tommie reported on the new lottery that will benefit the Veteran's Home. He is staying on top of the Sales Tax Issue regarding "A" and "B" cities. There was a discussion on the Rush Limbaugh debacle.

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

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

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

**ATTEST:**

  
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Deni Donovan, City Clerk

Approved by the Board of Alderman on 5/3/2012