

**CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES  
August 16, 2012**

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**ROLL CALL:**

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**INVOICES OVER \$500:** Alderman Roth moved to pay invoices 1 through 28 in the amount of \$82,821.85 for the months of July/August, 2012, seconded by Alderman Schultz. Motion carried unanimously.

**INVOICES UNDER \$500:** The Board of Aldermen reviewed items 1 through 115 in the amount of \$11,817.16 for the month of July, 2012.

**PLANNING & ZONING:** The Minutes from the August 13, 2012, meeting were not ready, although Chairman Bob Stolte reported on what occurred: Mr. Ahmad Chehad talked to P&Z about opening up a small restaurant in part of what used to be Rinderer's; take-out with limited seating (1500 of the available 3700 square feet). Bob suggested he prepare a preliminary plan and design to be reviewed by the City Engineer and City Building Inspector. Phil Lum, also, presented a proposal to consider updating the City's codes on entrance drive standards; further discussion from the City Engineer will be during his report tonight.

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

- Ted was happy with the article in the Newsletter regarding locks on the electrical disconnect box near the A/C unit;
- Discussion on the possible demolition on Marias – the City Attorney said there needs to be a clearance from the Bankruptcy Court first. He'll have Stephanie Carr follow up with the Building Department;
- A Construction Permit was reissued for a house on Science Hill that still had damage from the 2011 tornado;
- Ted attended an informative workshop on asbestos removal; and
- Discussion on the County's grass cutting procedure – is West County getting preferential treatment? It does not appear so. Some of the Municipalities are cutting it themselves.

**CITY ENGINEER:** The Board reviewed the July, 2012 report. City Engineer, Phil Lum continued with the subject of updating the City's codes regarding entrance drive standards; he stated the City's codes are in conflict with St. Louis County. The prepared draft will be reviewed by the City Attorney.

**CITY ATTORNEY:** No report given.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Alderman Smith mad a motion to amend Bill No. 2303 by the text of 2303.1, seconded by Alderman Merz. Motion carried unanimously.

**BILL NO. 2303.1 - INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN SMITH (1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Bill No. 2303 was read at the August 2, 2012, meeting)**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2-42 OF THE BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS, MISSOURI, CODE OF ORDINANCES AND ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE PERSONNEL RULES AND REGULATIONS AND PERSONNEL HANDBOOK FOR THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS.**

Alderman Smith read Bill No. 2303.1 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 Hollis. Motion carried unanimously. **Upon the roll being called the votes were cast as follows:** Alderman Smith, yes; Alderman Merz, yes; Alderman

Roth, yes; Alderman Jordan, yes; Alderman Schultz, yes; Alderman Hollis, yes; Alderman Migliazzo, yes; and Alderman Paro, yes.

The majority of the members elected to the Board of Aldermen having voted for passage of Bill No. 2303.1, the bill was passed by the Board and will become Ordinance No. 2223 when and if signed by the Mayor.

**NEW BUSINESS:** After much discussion, Alderman Merz made a motion to have the gazebo, next to the miniature golf, named in recognition of the good work done by the outgoing State Senator Tim Green, seconded by Alderman Smith. Motion carried unanimously. This acknowledgement will be presented at the Town Hall Meeting in September.

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

- The Town Hall Meeting will be on Thursday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. The “Way to go Green” Award will be presented by St. Louis County to the Image & Beautification Commission that evening;
- He reminded everyone the importance of signing up on Recyclebank.com;
- The City is participating in the Amnesty Program, although there was not many who have come in with a voucher; and
- There have been some changes at City Hall – the offices of the Court and Billing Clerk have been enhanced.

**REPORT OF THE ALDERMEN:**

**ALDERMAN JORDAN:** He asked the Street Department be told about branches that need to be picked up, due to high winds, at Kilgore and Tappan.

**ALDERMAN ROTH:** No report given.

**ALDERMAN SMITH:** The Riverview Fire Department had their grand opening last Sunday, although it was not advertised that much. He reported the BN welcome sign caught fire due to hot coals being dumped there by a church group who had a BBQ at the Advanced Auto Parts site; the church will pay for a new sign. Even though there was not much participation for the Amnesty Program this year, hopefully it will pick up in the following years when it is known that BN will participate every year.

**ALDERMAN HOLLIS:** No report given.

**ALDERMAN MIGLIAZZO:** No report given.

**ALDERMAN PARO:** She reminded Aldermen Hollis and Jordan she will need to retake their pictures for the Newsletter. She attended the electronic sign demonstration and was very impressed. She has received numerous complaints about the lack of upkeep at the Bissell Home. Lastly, Chief Joe Bommarito called St. Louis County and was able to get them moving on cutting the grass.

**ALDERMAN SCHULTZ:** No report given.

**ALDERMAN MERZ:** Requested the electronic sign advertising the Recyclebank Program be moved back so there is time to read the message.

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

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

*Deni Donovan*  
Deni Donovan, City Clerk

Approved by the Board of Alderman on 9/6/2012