

**CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING  
MINUTES  
September 6, 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 Collector Mark Tranel, City Attorney Kevin O'Keefe, City Clerk Deni Donovan, Alderman Paro, Alderman Migliazzo, Alderman Merz, Alderman Schultz, Alderman Jordan, Alderman Roth, Alderman Hollis, and Alderman Smith.

**ABSENT:**

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

**PRESENTATION OF THE UNAPPROVED BOARD MINUTES:** Alderman Smith moved for the approval of the August 16, 2012, Minutes of the Board of Aldermen Meeting, seconded by Alderman Roth. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** For the purpose of an Ordinance establishing the annual rate of Ad Valorem Tax levied for the year 2012 for the general municipal purposes on all real property in the city of Bellefontaine Neighbors, Missouri.

**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:** Alderman Smith moved to open the meeting to the public, as long as the Mayor deems necessary, seconded by Alderman Migliazzo. Motion carried unanimously. The Mayor asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak on this subject only.

At this time, there was a discussion on the subject of the rate increases. It was explained to the audience the maximum rates, which is mandated by the Missouri Constitution and State Statute, were authorized by the voters to levy the necessary funds in order to maintain the level of Police protection and other City services; to preserve the City's baseline; and to allow for fair compensation to the employees.

Mayor Doerr asked if anyone wished to address the Board on this subject only. Hearing none, Alderman Smith moved to bring the meeting back to the Board, seconded by Alderman Hollis. Motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Smith moved to open the meeting to the public, as long as the Mayor deems necessary, seconded by Alderman Roth. Motion carried unanimously. The Mayor asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak on any subject.

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

**COMMISSION AND BOARD REPORTS:**

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** The Board reviewed the August 23, 2012, Minutes. Alderman Hollis reported the Committee has requested an Ordinance requiring local businesses to have trashcans in front of their establishment. It was suggested the Code Enforcement Officer inspect the situation; especially at the shopping center at Bellefontaine and Chambers Road.

**YOUTH COMMISSION:** The Board reviewed the August 20, 2012, Minutes. Alderman Schultz reported on the following: Golf Night was very successful; they will be co-sponsoring the Halloween Party with the Rec Center (Amy is being very helpful); and the Commission thanked the Mayor for their new shirts.

**IMAGE & BEAUTIFICATION BOARD:** The Board reviewed the August 14, 2012, Minutes. Alderman Smith reported on the following: Beautification Day will be September 29<sup>th</sup> – all are welcome; the North side of Wilderness Park needs to be cleaned up; and he asked the Mayor to remind the I&B Board about attending the Town Hall Meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup>.

**PARKS & RECREATION BOARD:** The Board reviewed the August 21, 2012, Minutes.

**PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR:** Mark Dickerson reported the gym floor was sealed and looks great; the Mayor's Golf Tournament will be on October 6<sup>th</sup>; they are discussing the possibility of putting a roller skating rink in Bellefontaine Neighbors; and the Wine/Cheese Social will be on October 13<sup>th</sup>. Mark reported on the following bids for the LED double-sided sign for Klein Park:

1) Stewart Corporation	\$16,801.00
2) S.O.I. (Watchfire)	\$22,818.00
3) Canedy Sign (Watchfire)	\$29,454.97
4) Canedy (Vantage)	\$23,734.38

Based on the Mark Dickerson's recommendation, Alderman Roth made a motion to contract with S.O.I., seconded by Alderman Jordan. Motion carried unanimously.

**CITY ATTORNEY:** No report given.

**CHIEF PRUETT:** Reported National Night Out has been changed to October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Cpl. Vassallo has been working with residents on Duenke regarding some home issues. In the meantime, this home was chosen to be renovated by Home Depot.

Chief Pruett requested the Board's approval to modify the organizational chart to reflect the Patrol Parity Detective, assigned to the Bureau of Investigation, to include the rank of Corporal. Based on the Chief's recommendation, Alderman Smith made a motion to modify the job classification, seconded by Alderman Jordan. Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Pruett then requested Board approval to promote Officer Shawn Applegate from Police Officer to Corporal and to keep him in the Detective Bureau. Based on the Chief's recommendation, Alderman Jordan made a motion to approve the Applegate's approval, seconded by Alderman Roth. Motion carried unanimously.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**



**Bill No. 2305 – INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN HOLLIS**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE MULTIJURISDICTIONAL DRUG TASK FORCE WITH ST. LOUIS COUNTY, APPROVING ASSIGNMENT OF A QUALIFIED POLICE OFFICER TO SUCH TASK FORCE, AND APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH ST. LOUIS COUNTY WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

Alderman Hollis read the Bill for the first time and moved for approval of the first reading of Bill No. 2305 and to go on to the second reading. The motion was seconded by Alderman Migliazzo. Motion carried unanimously. Alderman Hollis then read Bill No. 2305 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 Migliazzo. Motion carried unanimously. **Upon the roll being called the votes were cast as follows:** Alderman Hollis, yes; Alderman Smith, yes; Alderman Migliazzo, yes; Alderman Paro, yes; Alderman Schultz, yes; Alderman Roth, yes; Alderman Jordan, yes; and Alderman Merz, yes.

The majority of the members elected to the Board of Aldermen having voted for passage of Bill No. 2305, the bill was passed by the Board and will become Ordinance No. 2224 when and if signed by the Mayor.

**Bill No. 2306 – INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN ROTH**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE ANNUAL RATE OF AD VALOREM TAX LEVIED FOR THE YEAR 2012 FOR DEBT SERVICE AND GENERAL MUNICIPAL PURPOSES ON ALL REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS, MISSOURI.**

Alderman Hollis read the Bill for the first time and moved for approval of the first reading of Bill No. 2306 and to go on to the second reading. The motion was seconded by Alderman Schultz. Motion carried; opposed by Alderman Paro. Alderman Hollis then read Bill No. 2306 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 Schultz. Motion carried; opposed by Alderman Paro. **Upon the roll being called the votes were cast as follows:** Alderman Roth, yes; Alderman Migliazzo, yes; Alderman Hollis, yes; Alderman Merz, yes; Alderman Schultz, yes; Alderman Smith, yes; Alderman Jordan, yes; and Alderman Paro, no.

The majority of the members elected to the Board of Aldermen having voted for passage of Bill No. 2306, the bill was passed by the Board and will become Ordinance No. 2225 when and if signed by the Mayor.

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

- Read a Proclamation approved by the Mayor and Board of Alderman in support of AT&T's program not to text and drive;
- He will be at the Annual MML Conference from September 17-19;
- Announced everyone is welcomed to the Town Hall Meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup>;
- BP is under new ownership;
- Still dealing with the debris from a house fire on Marias; and
- A meeting is scheduled on September 7<sup>th</sup> with the Engineers and area businesses, police, fire officials and various entities to discuss the St. Cyr Project.

Mayor Doerr made a recommendation to appoint Missy Bober to the Youth Commission. Alderman made a motion to approve the Mayor's appointment of Missy Bober, seconded by Alderman Merz. Motion carried unanimously.

**REPORT OF THE ALDERMEN:**



**ALDERMAN MIGLIAZZO:** Relayed a texting and driving story.

**ALDERMAN PARO:** Thanked City Collector Tranel for getting the RGSD involved in the Bellefontaine Community Pride group. She said if anyone attempts to sell puppies at the Flea Market, they will need to show proof they are licensed by the state. Would like to see "register to vote here" verbiage on the message board out front. She put out the St. Louis County Activity Guide pamphlet for all to have. Concerned about the condition of the streets after a water main break at Calumet and Science Hill; the Mayor will follow up.

**ALDERMAN SCHULTZ:** Thanked the Mayor for adding yet another wonderful person to the Youth Commission; congratulations to Missy.

**ALDERMAN MERZ:** Welcomed Missy Bober to the Board.

**ALDERMAN JORDAN:** No report given.

**ALDERMAN ROTH:** Would like the Street Department to pick up the branches at Cabot and Coburg Lands due to the storm.

**ALDERMAN SMITH:** Attended the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Northside Retirement Center and an informative forum presented by the National Black MBA. The Neighborhood Watch had a presentation by Judge David Lee Vincent who talked about the importance of victims and witnesses to attend court dates. He received a lot of information about RGSD at the last Bellefontaine Community Pride Meeting.

**ALDERMAN HOLLIS:** No report given.

**CITY COLLECTOR TRANEL:** Thought it would be a good idea to have the Mayor prepare a letter regarding trashcans in front of businesses in the application letter sent out for license renewals. He said he would send out information on a webinar coming up from the Federal Reserve Bank on revitalizing businesses.

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

**JERRY MCGEE, 1527 HAVILAND:** Would like the Chief to patrol the speeding buses that have been going through the neighborhood.

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

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

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Minutes prepared and submitted by:

**ATTEST:**

  
Deni Donovan, City Clerk

Approved by the Board of Alderman on 10/4/2012