

**CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES
April 18, 2013**

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 Collector Mark Tranel, City Clerk Deni Donovan, Alderman Migliazzo, Alderman Paro, Alderman Merz, Alderman Schultz, Alderman Roth, and Alderman Smith.

ABSENT: Alderman Jordan and Alderman Hollis

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

PRESENTATION OF THE UNAPPROVED MINUTES: Alderman Smith moved for approval of the April 4, 2013, Minutes of the Board of Aldermen Meeting, seconded by Alderman Merz. Motion carried unanimously.

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

WILL ROBERSON, 1422 HAVILAND: Asked if the Mayor could attend their Trustee Meeting on Saturday, April 20th at noon; the Mayor said yes.

STATE REPRESENTATIVE, TOMMIE PIERSON: Reported the latest "hot items" are the following: 1) Medicaid Expansion; 2) Gun Rights; and 3) Teacher Tenure Rights. When asked by the City Collector about the possible government merges with St. Louis County and St. Louis City, he said he would have to do more research into the issue. Alderman Schultz asked about the gun issues. State Rep Pierson responded that one of the issues is lowering the age to carry from 21 to 18 years of age; he is against it.

BILL KREN, 117 GREEN ACRES: Mr. Kren requested action from the Board regarding Green Acres' request to get financing by the City of Bellefontaine Neighbors in their attempt for a Neighborhood Improvement Program initiative. At this point, Mayor Doerr informed the audience why the request was made for the City to finance Green Acres attempt to make street improvements; there is a big safety issue involved due to not only regular traffic, but emergency vehicles trying to get through. It was noted Chief Pruett and Chief Bommarito were in favor of this action. Aldermen Migliazzo explained to the audience since the streets in Green Acres are private, the residents who live there are responsible. If they move ahead, it will cost each resident approximately \$150 /year for (15) years.

Alderman Paro made a motion that the Board of Aldermen express its view that it would look favorably on a request for funding approximately \$150,000 in street improvements for a Green Acres subdivision community improvement district if an appropriate petition was filed, seconded by Alderman Schultz. Motion carried unanimously.

The City Attorney informed Mr. Kren the paperwork will need to be filed with the City Clerk. Mr. Kren thanked Mayor Doerr and the Board of Aldermen for their show of support.

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

CHIEF'S REPORT: The Board reviewed the March, 2013, report. Chief Pruett reported on the Nextdoor Program that has been growing since its inception in Bellefontaine Neighbors. This program is a great way of keeping up on any police activity in the City. The Traffic Division is working diligently on 367 and Hwy 270; accidents have decreased since the beginning of this program.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT: The Board reviewed the March, 2013, report.

TREASURER'S REPORT: City Treasurer, Larry Abeln was excused. The Board reviewed the June, 2012-March, 2013, report.

INVOICES OVER \$500: Alderman Roth moved to pay the invoices 1 through 25 in the amount of \$55,300.59 for the months of March/April, 2013, seconded by Alderman Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

Regarding item #12 in the amount of \$3217.89 the "St. Cyr Project", Mayor Doerr reminded everyone the City gets reimbursed 80% back.

INVOICES UNDER \$500: The Board of Aldermen reviewed items 1 through 114 in the amount of \$14,144.14 for the month of March, 2013.

PLANNING & ZONING: The Board reviewed the April 8, 2013, Minutes. Chairman Bob Stolte reported neither Ms. Kimberly Hunter nor Reverend Terrance Jones showed up to discuss their Conditional Use Permits. They will be contacted to reschedule. Mr. Lovings did attend and there was a discussion as what he needs to do to move Speed Racer Go-Carts to another location in the City. Mr. Stolte requested the Board schedule a Public Hearing, based on the P&Z Meeting with Mr. Lovings on May 13, 2013, on May 16th.

Alderman Roth made a motion to schedule a Public Hearing on May 16th, seconded by Alderman Schultz. Motion carried unanimously.

BUILDING INSPECTOR: The Board reviewed the March, 2013 Report. Ted Stocker reported on the following:

- Has made suggestions to residents about getting a lock on their A/C compressor; there have been a lot of thefts;
- Has made suggestions to residents about painting their copper to stop thieves from stealing it;
- There are still (5) homes with tarps on their roofs still from the tornado in April, 2011 – he would like to discuss this with the City Attorney after the meeting tonight;
- QuikTrip is working diligently on their updates;
- Home Ice is working on the delivery truck issues;
- Tribe of Judah is still trying to make their improvements, but is having some cash flow issues;
- Still no word on the Huneke Realty property becoming a neighborhood market; and

- Has not heard back from Joe Weber regarding the maintenance of Belgrove.

CITY ENGINEER: The Board reviewed the March, 2013, Report. City Engineer, Phil Lum, reported he has been working with Ameren regarding their substation at the end of the park behind City Hall and it being in a floodplain.

CITY ATTORNEY: No report given.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

BILL NO. 2326 - INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN MIGLIAZZO (1st Reading on 4/4/13)

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING NEW LICENSING REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO DEALERS IN PRECIOUS METALS AND SECONDHAND GOODS.

Alderman Migliazzo read the Bill No. 2326 for the 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 Migliazzo, yes; Alderman Merz, yes; Alderman Paro, yes; Alderman Schultz, yes; Alderman Smith and Alderman Roth, yes.

The majority of the members elected to the Board of Aldermen having voted for passage of Bill No. 2326, the Bill was passed by the Board and will become Ordinance No. 2247 when and if signed by the Mayor.

NEW BUSINESS:

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

- He wished Alderman Hollis Happy Birthday;
- He, along with Chief Pruett and Chief Bommarito, attended the annual Volunteers for Veterans luncheon at the Veteran's Home; all (3), unexpectedly, were honored;
- He met with Bill Ray, assistant to County Executive Charlie Dooley. They discussed the idea of having Mr. Dooley meet with leaders of North County for quarterly luncheon discussions;
- He will be meeting with State Representative Tommie Pierson tomorrow;
- He reported there will be a memorial service tomorrow for Loretta Walsh, a long standing resident of Bellefontaine;
- He attended a Local Government Workshop on Regional Sustainability in Maryland Heights this morning; and
- The City will be purchasing banners to put up on street poles.

City Collector, Mark Tranel, explained the Pilot Study Program conducted by East/West Gateway for a sustainability plan. They have invited Bellefontaine Neighbors to participate.

REPORT OF THE ALDERMEN:

ALDERMAN SCHULTZ: Congratulations to Mayor Doerr for his 2nd place win at the Mayor's Golf Tournament. Happy Birthday to Alderman Hollis.

ALDERMAN MERZ: Invited all to Beautification Day this Saturday.

ALDERMAN ROTH: Would like to have the pothole fixed on Bellefontaine Road at Gabriel; it is a County road. There is also a problem in front of White Castle.

ALDERMAN SMITH: Requested all Proclamations be put in a frame. He went on a tour of Overland that showcased the city and school district. He is still moving forward on having some sort of T-shirt contest to promote Bellefontaine Neighbors. He suggested when heavy storms are in our community, residents should stay indoors.

ALDERMAN MIGLIAZZO: Wished Alderman Hollis a Happy Birthday and commended Bill Kren and Rich Pflueger for all their efforts.

ALDERMAN PARO: Thanked Alderman Smith for chairing the Bellefontaine Community Pride meeting on April 11th. The date for the City's 63rd Anniversary picnic is going to be October 12th. Alderman Smith would like to see all of the Churches participate in Community Pride.

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 Roth. Motion carried unanimously.

City Engineer, Phil Lum, reported on the damage in Florissant due to the heavy storms.

Mayor Doerr asked if anyone else 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.

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

MEETING ADJOURNED: Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

ATTEST:



Deni Donovan, City Clerk

Approved by the Board of Alderman on MAY 2, 2013