

**CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES
September 5, 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.

At this time, Mayor Doerr asked everyone to remain standing in memory of Frank Kurz who recently passed away.

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 Schultz, Alderman Jordan, Alderman Hollis, and Alderman Smith.

ABSENT: Alderman Roth

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

PRESENTATION OF THE UNAPPROVED MINUTES: Alderman Smith moved for approval of the August 15, 2013, Minutes of the Board of Aldermen Meeting, seconded by Alderman Hollis. 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 Merz. Motion carried unanimously.

BARBARA WEST, 9741 CALUMENT: Wanted to take the opportunity to thank Alderman Paro for her assistance regarding the property behind her that is not being maintained. Even though it is not resolved yet, things are moving in the right direction. Alderman Paro said help also came from Alderman Migliazzo and Mayor Doerr.

JACK TATE, 9809 CALUMET: Regarding the same property as above, he stated the field is a breeding ground for mosquitoes. He hopes this gets resolved soon.

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 Jordan. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSION AND BOARD REPORTS:

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION: The Board reviewed the August 22, 2013 Minutes. Mayor Doerr stated he gave a copy of Ordinance #2258 that was passed regarding changes made to Chapter 17 due to the Commissions' suggestions. The Mayor thanked them for their work on this.

YOUTH COMMISSION: The Board reviewed the August 19, 2013 Minutes. Alderman Schultz reported the Family Golf Night was lower in attendance, but everyone had a good time. Si is already planning for the Back to School Fair for next year. Halloween Family Fun Night will be on October 25th at the Rec Center. Amy is organizing this event although the Youth Commission will support the gathering.

IMAGE & BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION: The Board reviewed the August 13, 2013, Minutes. Alderman Smith reported Beautification Day is September 28th; all are welcomed. October 5th will be the rainout day, if needed. When asked, he was told there is no set schedule for when the street sweeper goes out. The stone work will be done by Mark Sanders as soon as he is able to do the work physically.

PARKS BOARD COMMISSION: The Board reviewed the August 20, 2013, Minutes.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR: Mark Dickerson reported on the following:

- He is working with Melvin Williams regarding a community garden;
- When asked by Alderman Migliazzo, Mark said he thinks the snack bar income is just a little bit down in 2013 vs. 2012 – this summer was not the best season for using the outdoor pool;
- Mark said having (2) part-time bus drivers has worked out extremely well – they both work well together making sure all shifts are covered;
- The Beer and Wine Social will be Saturday, October 12th; and
- The indoor pool has been refilled and is in use.

CITY ATTORNEY: Kevin was asked to talk about the cell phone tower issues which are being discussed in legislation. Cities have banded together to fight. Kevin will keep the City of the outcome.

CHIEF PRUETT:

Chief Pruett said National Night Out will be October 1st; the Backstoppers BBQ will be September 14th; he suggested everyone sign up on the Nextdoor site; and he said Traffic Enforcement is doing a very good job.

Chief Pruett asked for Board approval for the Police Department to apply for the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) to purchase (2) mobile police car radios and (3) portable radios; he would like to be prepared when the new St. Louis County Communications system is in place. The total purchase is \$16,713.448 of which \$9,000 would be paid for by the grant and \$7,713.48 would be paid for with drug forfeiture money.

Per the Chief's recommendation, Alderman Migliazzo made a motion to approve the purchase of the radios, seconded by Alderman Merz. The motion carried unanimously.

Also, Chief Pruett asked for Board approval to attend the Missouri Police Chief's Conference in Sarasota, FL. The State Certification Program, of which he is Chairman and Founder, will be discussed. The cost will be covered by the MO Police Chief's Association.

Per the Chief's recommendation, Alderman Paro made a motion to approve the Chief's request, seconded by Alderman Schultz. The motion carried unanimously.

CITY COLLECTOR: Mark Tranel asked for Board approval to waive the one day liquor fee for Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church (September 28th) and Grace Lutheran Chapel and School (September 20th). Alderman Jordan made a motion to approve the waivers, seconded by Alderman Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

Collector Tranel reserved a room at the Rec Center to conduct a hearing for Kathy's Bissell Lounge on September 11th at 6:30 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

BILL NO. 2341 – INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN ROTH

Due to the absent Alderman Roth, Alderman Smith did the reading although it was still introduced by Alderman Roth.

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE UNIFORM AND CLOTHING ALLOWANCE FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS, MISSOURI, AND AMENDING ORDINANCE 2181.

Alderman Roth read the Bill for the first time and moved for approval of the first reading of Bill No. 2341 and to go on to the second reading. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hollis. Motion carried; Alderman Merz opposed. Alderman Hollis then read Bill No. 2341 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, Alderman Hollis, yes; Alderman Jordan, yes; Alderman Migliazzo, yes; Alderman Merz, yes; Alderman Paro, yes; and Alderman Schultz, yes.

The majority of the members elected to the Board of Aldermen having voted for passage of Bill No. 2341, the Bill was passed by the Board and will become Ordinance No. 2260 when and if signed by the Mayor.

BILL NO. 2342 – INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN SCHULTZ

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS, MISSOURI, TO EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS WITH GERSHENSON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE BELGROVE DRIVE & COBURG LANDS DRIVE RESURFACING PROJECT.

Alderman Schultz read the Bill for the first time and moved for approval of the first reading of Bill No. 2342 and to go on to the second reading. The motion was seconded by Alderman Merz. Motion carried unanimously. Alderman Schultz then read Bill No. 2342 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 Merz. Motion carried unanimously. **Upon the roll being called the votes were cast as follows:** Alderman Schultz, yes; Alderman Jordan, yes; Alderman Hollis, yes; Alderman Migliazzo, yes; Alderman Paro, yes; Alderman Smith, yes; and Alderman Merz, yes.

The majority of the members elected to the Board of Aldermen having voted for passage of Bill No. 2342, the Bill was passed by the Board and will become Ordinance No. 2261 when and if signed by the Mayor.

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

- Mayor Doerr was sorry to hear about Frank Kurz's passing. "He did a lot for the City and was a vital part of the community; he'll be missed". It was discussed to have something put in his memory;
- The City's annual audit is going on this week;
- Courts were a part of the Amnesty Program the week of August 19th;
- The Mayor read a nice letter from State Senator Tim Green thanking the City of for the plaque put in his honor by the gazebo.
- He was appointed by the St. Louis County Muni League to the Legislative Committee – they make recommendations;
- Due to the NID Project in Green Acres, the streets look great – Gevers did a good job; and
- The City is responsible for hiring a negotiator for the right-of-ways needed on the St. Cyr Project – in 2014, the bridge will be down for 30-60 days.

Mayor Doerr recommended the appointment of Martha Douglas to the Image and Beautification Board. Per the Mayor's recommendation, Alderman Jordan made a motion to approve the appointment of Martha Douglas, seconded by Alderman Smith. The motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OF THE ALDERMEN:

ALDERMAN PARO: Thanked Amy and the Rec Center for the BBQ Dinner; it was wonderful. Stated the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts are in dire need of more membership. They will be attending the Anniversary Picnic.

ALDERMAN SCHULTZ: No report given.

ALDERMAN MERZ: Sent out his condolences to the Kurz family.

ALDERMAN JORDAN: No report given.

ALDERMAN SMITH: Alderman Smith asked for Board approval for him, Alderman Jordan, and Alderman Hollis to attend the Annual Municipal League Conference from September 15-18. Alderman Migliazzo made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Alderman Paro. Motion carried unanimously.

He thanked Chief Pruet for having such a successful Traffic Division as opposed to have red light cameras. "It was a good choice". The Neighborhood Watch had a big attendance last night. The City donated extra items from its Fair to another Back to School Fair where the items were needed. He thanked all for attending to tonight's meeting, especially the Roths.

ALDERMAN HOLLIS: She sent her condolences to the Kurz family.

ALDERMAN MIGLIAZZO: Condolences to the Kurz family. Noted how nice the streets of Green Acres look.

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.


DENI DONOVAN, CITY CLERK: Reiterated how much fun the Backstoppers BBQ is going to be, along with the raffle baskets, 50/50 drawing, and much more.

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 Hollis. Motion carried unanimously.

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

MEETING ADJOURNED: Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

ATTEST:



Deni Donovan, City Clerk

Approved by the Board of Alderman on October 3, 2013