

**CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES
November 7, 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 Schultz, Alderman Merz, Alderman Jordan, Alderman Roth, and Alderman Smith.

ABSENT: Alderman Hollis

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Alderman Smith moved to amend the agenda to include a Public Hearing to hear comments on a Conditional Use Permit for RAS Enterprises (Conoco), seconded by Alderman Schultz. Motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Smith moved to approve the Agenda, as amended, seconded by Alderman Merz. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION OF THE UNAPPROVED MINUTES: Alderman Smith moved for approval of the October 17, 2013, Minutes of the Board of Aldermen Meeting, seconded by Alderman Roth. 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 Paro. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING: To hear public comments on a Conditional Use Permit for RAS Enterprises (Conoco), located at 10320 Bellefontaine Road.

Alderman Smith made a motion to open up the Public Hearing to hear comments on a Conditional Use Permit, seconded by Alderman Paro. Motion carried unanimously. The Mayor asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak on this subject only.

TERRI WILLITS, LION PETROLEUM, INC.: The following issues were discussed:

- Lion Petroleum is a retail and fuel supplier;
- They intend are hiring stronger management;
- There has been a discussion with the BN Police Department about putting in a substation;
- Would like to stay open 24 hours, but per the City Code, it would not be possible;
- Sales do not warrant more than (1) counter person, but the City would like for them to look into having more help;
- They are open to discuss shifts;
- The Mayor suggested the company provide a policy on security;
- They will be selling liquor. Terri trained with St. Louis City on procedure so every effort will be made not to sell liquor to minors;

- Per the Building Inspector's notations, changes and updates will need to be made;
- They are renting right now, but they have to first option to buy the building;
- Chief Pruetz welcomed the new management and stated they should feel secure in their location, especially if they run the business in a professional manner and adhere to all security steps. He will have Sgt. Vassallo talk to Terri about the possibility of a substation. He offered to have the Police go by and make security suggestions.
- A bill will be prepared for the November 21st Board Meeting for the CUP – Terri may choose to attend or not.

KATHY MASON, 1013 DONNELL: She was told there will be a small fee if she uses a debit or credit card to buy gas, but if she gets a Conoco card, there is no charge.

Mayor Doerr asked if anyone else wished to address the Board on this subject only. Hearing none, Alderman Merz moved to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Alderman Roth. Motion carried unanimously

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

COMMISSION AND BOARD REPORTS:

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION: The Board reviewed the October 23, 2013, Minutes. Chief Pruetz reported on the following:

- Regarding the "Caution Children" sign at Tappan and Ashford, this has been done;
- The Commission requested another sign at Crete and Coburg Lands, although this is not a legit intersection;
- Not sure there is a need for a "road narrows" warning sign at QT;
- The electronic lights have been turned on at Belgrove and Shepley; and
- Mayor Doerr reminded everyone that as of November 12th, the electronic lights will be turned on at 367 and the Veteran's Home/MoDOT site.

YOUTH COMMISSION: The Board reviewed the October 21, 2013 Minutes. Alderman Schultz reported the Halloween Party was a success. They are working with Sgt. Vassallo on the next D.A.R.E. Dance being held in February, 2014; they may increase the group to include 5th and 6th grade students. There was some discussion as to the age limits for the Youth Swim Party.

IMAGE & BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION: The Board reviewed the October 21, 2013 Minutes. Alderman Smith reported the I&B will judge for the Christmas decorations on December 10th. There was a discussion as to who is going to send a letter of thanks to a resident in the neighborhood acknowledging a tree removal and plantings. There was a discussion as to when Mark Sanders will be able to replace the stones on the hill.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR: Mark Dickerson reported the Beer and Wine event went well although the crowd was down in numbers. He thanked the Church of Latter Day Saints for the great job they did on removing debris from the fence along the creek property at Coburg Lands and Ashford. All of the parks have been winterized. The building appraisals with MIRMA are complete; the City should see the findings sometime at the end of the year.

CITY ATTORNEY: No report given.

CHIEF PRUETT: Chief Pruett reported he received a letter from MoDOT asking the City forward any accident reports on 367 due to the electronic lights being activated. He gave an update on the success of the Traffic Division. He asked for Board approval to attend the MO Police Chiefs Conference, in Jefferson City, December 11-13.

Alderman Roth approved the request, seconded by Alderman Merz. Motion carried unanimously.

CITY COLLECTOR: No report given.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

BILL NO. 2348 – INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN ROTH

Alderman Roth reported the adjustment was necessary to update the 2012-2013 budget. He said the budget was on track.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2219 AND THE FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS PURSUANT THERETO.

Alderman Roth read the Bill for the first time and moved for approval of the first reading of Bill No. 2348 and to go on to the second reading. The motion was seconded by Alderman Smith. Motion carried unanimously. Alderman Roth then read Bill No. 2348 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 Smith. Motion carried unanimously. **Upon the roll being called the votes were cast as follows:** Alderman Roth, yes; Alderman Schultz, yes; Alderman Migliazzo, yes; Alderman Smith, yes; Alderman Jordan, yes; Alderman Merz, yes; and Alderman Paro, yes.

The majority of the members elected to the Board of Aldermen having voted for passage of Bill No. 2348, the Bill was passed by the Board and will become Ordinance No. 2267 when and if signed by the Mayor.

REPORT OF THE MAYOR:

Mayor Doerr reported on the following:

- QT will be opening their new store on November 14th;
- City Hall will be closed on Monday, November 11th due Veteran's Day;
- City Treasurer, Larry Abeln, is back on the job since last week;
- Reiterated the importance of the free building appraisals by MIRMA;
- The Belgrove Project is about 2/3 finished – they will move onto Coburg Lands next;
- City Hall is now accepting credit and debit cards – the Rec Center and Police Departments should be starting up soon.

REPORT OF THE ALDERMEN:

ALDERMAN SCHULTZ: Thanked Amy for all her hard work in setting up for the Halloween Party.

ALDERMAN MERZ: Wished Lou Roth Happy Birthday.

ALDERMAN JORDAN: No report given.

ALDERMAN ROTH: Welcomed the new owners of Conoco and thanked Deni for her help with the budget adjustments.

ALDERMAN SMITH: Alderman Smith made a motion to cancel the December 19th Board of Aldermen meeting, seconded by Alderman Merz. Motion carried unanimously.

ALDERMAN MIGLIAZZO: Verified there will be a warning light to let people know the electronic lights are working on 367.

ALDERMAN PARO: Thanked Chief Pruett and Mayor Doerr for barbequing on the day of the Community Picnic. She thanked all those who volunteered to work hospitality for the tours at the Bissell House. She was very happy with how the day turned out; it was very good turnout. The parking at Gibson School has improved; thanks to all who helped in this area. The old East Junior High is in the process of being demolished. Shirley, being the history buff that she is, reported on the history of the school along with other interesting information. She discovered the Police Department used to be trained by the FBI.

CITY COLLECTOR, MARK TRANEL: Reported there will be two public meetings presented by the Department of Elementary Secondary Education being held at the old Good Council site from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. regarding the issues at the Riverview School District. He invited all to attend and voice their opinions. When Alderman Paro asked about opening a Charter School, Mr. Tranel stated there are several requirements needed before anything can happen.

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 Jordan. Motion carried unanimously.

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 Roth. Motion carried unanimously.

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

MEETING ADJOURNED: Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

ATTEST:



Deni Donovan, City Clerk

Approved by the Board of Alderman on Nov. 21, 2013