

**CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES
November 21, 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 Pruet, City Attorney Stephanie Karr (sitting in for Attorney Kevin O'Keefe), City Collector Mark Tranel, City Clerk Deni Donovan, Alderman Migliazzo, Alderman Paro, Alderman Schultz, Alderman Jordan, Alderman Smith, and Alderman Hollis.

ABSENT: Alderman Merz and Alderman Roth

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

PRESENTATION OF THE UNAPPROVED MINUTES: Alderman Smith moved for approval of the November 7, 2013, Minutes of the Board of Aldermen Meeting, seconded by Alderman Jordan. Motion carried unanimously.

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 Hollis. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Doerr asked if anyone would like to speak. When no one did, he introduced Auditor Angela Dorn with Hochschild, Bloom & Company, LLP; she reported on the 2012-2013 Audit findings, along with a review of the Comments and Recommendations. Mayor Doerr commented on each item and stated what was being done to alleviate any other problems in the future. There were some questions from the Aldermen. Angela appreciated the support of the staff and for the opportunity to present the findings at the meeting tonight. They will schedule a meeting, next week, with the City to answer any other concerns.

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.

CHIEF'S REPORT: The Board reviewed the October, 2013, reports. Chief Pruet reported on the success of the Traffic Division.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT: The Board reviewed the October, 2013, reports. Mr. Tranel invited all to attend the 2nd Public Hearing on the Riverview Gardens School District. They are open to the public and will begin at 6:30 at the Family Community Resource Center. The hearing will provide an opportunity to hear from the Officials regarding efforts to return the district to accredited status.

The City Clerk, Deni, said someone called into City Hall to thank Mayor Doerr, Alderman Migliazzo and Alderman Paro for their presence at the Public Hearing on November 20th.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Board reviewed the July-October, 2013, report. Mr. Abeln reported income is up and expenses are down; the City is in line with the budget. All welcomed Larry back to work.

INVOICES OVER \$500: Alderman Smith moved to pay invoices 1 through 49 in the amount of \$156,215.11 for the months of October/November, 2013, seconded by Alderman Jordan. Motion carried unanimously.

INVOICES UNDER \$500: The Board of Aldermen reviewed items 1 through 100 in the amount of \$10,085.00 for the month of October, 2013.

PLANNING & ZONING: The Board reviewed the November, 2013, reports. Chairman Bob Stolte reported Ashby Furniture is not opened yet; still working out a few issues. The following are pending:

- 1) 1300 Odessa – due to building code violations regarding the front porch, a Hearing has been scheduled in St. Louis County on December 16th;
- 2) 1108 Avant – A Hearing, in St. Louis County, has been scheduled concerning a day care operating at this location.

BUILDING INSPECTOR: The Board reviewed the October, 2013, reports. Ted Stocker reported on the following:

- The new QT store has opened;
- Belgrove, Coburg Lands and Green Acres have had their streets paved;
- Leaf letters have not gone out yet, but this is the time to start raking;
- The demo of the East Junior High site should begin in about 2-3 weeks;
- Due to storm damage a while back, only (2) out of (5) homes have had their roofs taken care of; and
- It was noted John Morris had passed away.

CITY ENGINEER: The Board reviewed the October, 2013, reports. City Engineer, Phil Lum, reported on the following:

- He reviewed and approved the signage for Ashby Furniture; and
- He emphasized the need to continually adopt building codes to stay up-to-date especially matters that involve energy efficiency.

CITY ATTORNEY (Stephanie Karr): Ms. Karr reported that (10) residents paid the full assessment regarding the Green Acres NID. The remaining will pay their share beginning in 2014 for the next (15) years.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

BILL NO. 2349 – INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN SCHULTZ

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR OPERATION OF A FILLING STATION LOCATED AT 10320 BELLEFONTAINE ROAD TO ALLIANCE PETROLEUM LLC AND ESTABLISHING CERTAIN CONDITIONS RELATING THERETO.

Alderman Schultz read the Bill for the first time and moved for approval of the first reading of Bill No. 2349 and to go on to the second reading. The motion was seconded by Alderman Migliazzo. Motion carried unanimously. Alderman Schultz then read Bill No. 2349 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 Schultz, yes; Alderman Hollis, Alderman Migliazzo, yes; Alderman Smith, yes; Alderman Jordan, yes; and Alderman Paro, yes.

The majority of the members elected to the Board of Aldermen having voted for passage of Bill No. 2349, the Bill was passed by the Board and will become Ordinance No. 2268 when and if signed by the Mayor.

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

- The Coburg Lands/Belgrove Project is almost done – there are a few more updates before it is finished completely;
- The passing of John Morris, who was the Chairman of the Surry Lane Trustees, was very sad. He did a great job and will be missed;
- Mayor Doerr is on the Board of Directors for the Metro Mayors and is the only representative from North County. Bellefontaine Neighbors is an active member of this organization. In 6-8 months, the Metro Mayors will be voicing their opinions on certain matters;
- BN is participating in the MSD Clear Program to replace septic tanks; and
- BN will also be working with Habitat for Humanity.

REPORT OF THE ALDERMEN:

ALDERMAN JORDAN: No report given.

ALDERMAN SMITH: Welcomed Larry Abeln back. Stated the Veteran's Day Program was very nice at the Veteran's Home. Post 335 presented them with a check for \$10,000 for a new bus. He spoke about the Adopt-A-Vet Program and invited all to visit the Vets who are unable to get out. He wished all a Happy Thanksgiving.

ALDERMAN HOLLIS: No report given.

ALDERMAN MIGLIAZZO: He reported the Veteran's Home completed a new room addition in their kitchen. He has been getting complaints about mail being delivered after dark and the hazards it may bring. He was told the electric signal in front of the Vet's Home has been activated.

ALDERMAN PARO: North County Inc. is partnering with St. Louis County to best get out a better image of North County. She asked all to review the Plan online at www.stlouisco.com. There will be a meeting on January 31st to get input from the public. The annual Christmas Party at the Hills Home is being planned. She asked for donations and/or help. She is working on the history of BN. Is very concerned about the mail being delivered after dark. She thanked Alderman Smith on his help with the Veteran's Day Program. The flag will be at half-staff on the 50th Anniversary of the assassination of President Kennedy. And she wished all a Happy Thanksgiving.

ALDERMAN SHULTZ: Thanked Gershenson Construction on the good work they did on the streets. He wished all a Happy Thanksgiving.

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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 8:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Deni Donovan

Deni Donovan, City Clerk

Approved by the Board of Alderman on *Dec. 5, 2013*