

**CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES  
December 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.

**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 Roth, Alderman Smith, and Alderman Hollis.

**ABSENT:** Alderman Jordan

**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 November 21, 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 Migliazzo. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Doerr introduced Sergeant Peggy Vassallo, the D.A.R.E. Instructor for the Elementary schools in Bellefontaine Neighbors. She announced the winners of the D.A.R.E. Program essay contest from Grace Chapel Lutheran School: 1<sup>st</sup> place winner was Isaiah Thompson; 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner was Nate Laesch (did not show); and the 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner was Olivia Hilton. Isaiah read his essay. Mayor Doerr and the Board of Aldermen proclaimed December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2013, Drug Awareness Day in Bellefontaine Neighbors.

**LARRY WELTY, AREA ENGINEER WITH MoDOT:** Mr. Welty gave a presentation on updates regarding the I-270 Corridor Project; he focused on the 1-270 North Environmental Assessment studies. He passed out information on "A Vision for Missouri's Transportation Future". There were several questions by the Board. Mr. Welty emphasized the need for the city to back MoDOT on this project in order to possibly get more dollars going towards the North County area.

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.

**COMMISSION AND BOARD REPORTS:**

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION:** No meeting held. The next meeting will be January 23, 2014. Alderman Hollis thanked the city for the stop sign put up on Duenke.

**YOUTH COMMISSION:** The Board reviewed the November 18, 2013, Minutes. Alderman Schultz reported the D.A.R.E. Dance in February will be the next event.

**IMAGE & BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION:** The Board reviewed the November 12, 2013 Minutes. Alderman Smith reported Christmas decorations will be judged on December 17<sup>th</sup>.

**PARKS BOARD COMMISSION:** The Board reviewed the November 19, 2013, Minutes. Alderman Merz gave an update on the topics discussed.

**PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR:** Mark Dickerson reported on animal waste bags that may be implemented, in the parks, in the near future. There are a lot of Christmas activities they are getting ready for. Mark is waiting to hear from GAF regarding the roof warranty. He is looking for more weight room equipment.

**CITY ATTORNEY:** No report given.

**CHIEF PRUETT:** Chief Pruett reported crime in November was significantly lower than last year. Captain Fagan, with the Major Case Squad, gave a good presentation at Neighborhood Watch last night. On September 5<sup>th</sup>, Chief Pruett asked for Board approval to apply for the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) to purchase (2) mobile police car radios and (3) portable radios. The total purchase was \$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. The BN Police Department received funds from this grant.

**CITY COLLECTOR:** Collector Tranel discussed the following:

- Request for Board approval for the 2014 liquor licenses for businesses which have submitted the required documents: Aldi #6, Bill's Markets & Meats, Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, QuikTrip #605, and United Mart;
- The liquor license applications not received are KD Patrol/BP; Alliance Petroleum/Conoco and Kathy's Bissell Lounge;
- Request for Board approval to waive the liquor fee for the Knights of Columbus and Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church; and
- Request for Board approval for the 2014 liquor licenses for businesses which will submit the required paperwork, in good order, before December 31<sup>st</sup>.

Alderman Smith made a motion to approve the requests, as noted, by the City Collector, seconded by Alderman Migliazzo. Motion carried unanimously.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**REPORT OF THE MAYOR:**

Mayor Doerr reported on the following:

- Due to the cancellation of the December 19<sup>th</sup> Board meeting, the next meeting will be January 2<sup>nd</sup>;
- There are a couple of issues that need to be complete for the Belgrove/Coburg Lands project to be complete;
- He thanked all those who have helped him this past year. He believes the City is in good shape. He wished everyone Happy Holidays.

**REPORT OF THE ALDERMEN:**

**ALDERMAN ROTH:** Congrats to the D.A.R.E. students and to all the work Sgt. Vassallo does in the program. Wished all Happy Holidays.

**ALDERMAN SMITH:** He attended the D.A.R.E. Graduation and stated what a great job Sgt. Vassallo does. Captain Fagan gave a good presentation at Neighborhood Watch. Thanks to Alderman Roth for all his hard work on the city budget. Reminder to residents that if they see something that does not seem right, they need to call the police. Happy Holidays.

**ALDERMAN HOLLIS:** Congratulations to the D.A.R.E. students and to Sgt. Vassallo. Thanks to Kathy Mason for the hat gift. Happy Holidays and Merry Christmas.

**ALDERMAN MIGLIAZZO:** Congrats to the D.A.R.E. kids. Thanks to Kathy for the hat gift. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all.

**ALDERMAN PARO:** She sent City Hall "No Soliciting" signs for residents to pick up if they want to put it in their window. She attended the D.A.R.E. Graduation. Let her know of any ideas for the February Newsletter. She needs to get a hold of Tim Woelbling, Troop #271, with Bellefontaine Methodist to discuss the troop delivering the Newsletters from now on.

**ALDERMAN SCHULTZ:** Congratulations to the D.A.R.E. winners. Thanks to Kathy for the hat gift. There was a hit and run incident by his house; he thanked the Police for responding so quickly and catching the perp. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**ALDERMAN MERZ:** Congrats to the D.A.R.E. winners and to Sgt. Vassallo for all her hard work with the program. Thanks to Kathy for the hat gift. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**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.


**KATHY MASON, 1013 DONNELL:** Suggested giving a donation to Adopt-A-Vet for Christmas. Also, it might be a good idea to put out old "Schnucks" bags to be used at the parks for dog waste.

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.

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

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

**ATTEST:**

  
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Deni Donovan, City Clerk

Approved by the Board of Alderman on Jan. 2, 2014