

**CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES
April 2, 2015**

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 Kevin O'Keefe, City Clerk Deni Donovan, Alderman Migliazzo, Alderman Paro, Alderman Schultz, Alderman Merz, Alderman Jordan, Alderman Roth, Alderman Smith, and Alderman Dillworth.

ABSENT: City Collector, Mark Tranel

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

PRESENTATION OF THE UNAPPROVED MINUTES: Alderman Jordan moved for approval of the March 19, 2015, Minutes of the Board of Aldermen Meeting, seconded by Alderman Roth. Motion carried unanimously.

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

At this time, Aldermen Schultz and Merz acknowledged Michael Clark, from Troop 271, who made Eagle Scout; his family lives in Ward 2. They were very proud to have an Eagle Scout in their Ward. Mayor Doerr congratulated Michael on this great accomplishment.

Mayor Doerr presented Kathy Mason with a \$50 Visa gift card which she won the previous night at the Annual Housing Fair.

Mayor Doerr asked if anyone else wished to address the Board. Hearing none, Alderman Jordan 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 March 26, 2015, Minutes. Alderman Dillworth reported everyone had a lot of input at the last meeting. He is aware of a couple more residents who may be interested in joining the Commission. Thanks to Lt. Ihler for his attendance and participation at the meeting. When asked, Alderman Dillworth was not sure which street lights were out per Ed Meier's statement at the meeting.

YOUTH COMMISSION: The Board reviewed the March 16, 2015, Minutes. Alderman Schultz thanked Sgt. Vassallo for her help with the DARE Dance and the upcoming Bike Rodeo.

IMAGE & BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION: The Board reviewed the March 10, 2015, Minutes. Alderman Smith reminded everyone about the upcoming Beautification Day on April 25th; if needed, the rainout date will be May 2nd. Alderman Merz volunteered to BBQ.

PARKS BOARD COMMISSION: The Board reviewed the March 24, 2015, Minutes.

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

- The Easter Egg Hunt and Arbor Day celebration will be this Saturday, April 5th;
- The Mayor's Golf Tournament is April 11th – need registration from golfers;
- He will be meeting with SWT Design on April 7th to discuss the park assessments. Alderman Paro would like Mark to let her know the dates for the required Public Hearings to put into the May Newsletter;
- The roof work is scheduled to begin on April 20th; and
- Mark is making some required updates to the outdoor pool – there may be more, but not sure at this time.

CITY ATTORNEY: No report given.

CHIEF PRUETT: Chief Pruett reported on the following:

- The March 2015 crime statistics was not very good. He will report, at the next meeting, what the police department is doing to resolve these issues;
- Special Olympics T-Shirts are on sale at city hall;
- BN Police Department will be hosting a Youth Life Skills Enrichment & Recreation Camp, this summer, for the first 35 kids to sign up, ages 15-17 years old. Sgt. Vassallo will be running this program;
- Roy Gillespie will be the guest speaker at the May 6th Neighborhood Watch Meeting; and
- Lt. Ihler is in the process of putting together a basketball game between the Police Officers and the kids from the MO Hills Home.

CITY COLLECTOR: Collector, Mark Tranel, was excused.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

REPORT OF THE MAYOR:

Mayor Doerr reported on the following:

- Greater North County Chamber's 60th Anniversary dinner will be April 17th. He asked the Board to let him know if anyone was interested in attending;
- Mathews-Dickey is conducting a 2nd registration, on April 18th, for kids to sign up for baseball;
- Bids were opened last Monday for the construction projects regarding the Shepley Bridge and the St. Cyr Culvert Replacement. The Shepley Bridge work will begin June, 2015, and last about (2) weeks. The St. Cyr Project will begin in July, 2015, and last about a month;
- The annual Housing Resource Fair was a success with about 55 people attending – (24) were residents;
- The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be this Saturday at 11:30;
- Mayor Doerr reported on the ups and downs of the fuel costs;
- The Easter decorations are being displayed;
- The Mayor's Golf Tournament will be April 11th; and
- Happy Easter to all.

REPORT OF THE ALDERMEN:

ALDERMAN SMITH: Thanked Mayor Doerr, Mark Dickerson, Deni and the Rec Center employees for all their help with the Housing Fair; it was a good event. Beautification Day is April 25th; all are invited. Reminded everyone to be aware of their surroundings. Happy Easter.

ALDERMAN DILLWORTH: Congratulations to Michael Clark on his Eagle Scout Award. Happy Easter.

ALDERMAN MIGLIAZZO: Congrats to Michael Clark and special thanks to his mom, Diane Clark, for her guidance and support. Happy Easter.

ALDERMAN PARO: Congrats to Michael Clark. WITS, the recycling company, is offering computer classes and computers at reduced rates for lower-income residents. She thanked Alderman Smith for his work on the Housing Fair. The work being done at the Bissell House is to update the residence, in the back, to be rented out to a St. Louis County Park employee.

ALDERMAN SCHULTZ: Congratulations to Michael Clark and to his mom and the fact they stayed for the whole meeting tonight. Happy Easter.

ALDERMAN MERZ: Congrats to Michael Clark and his mom. Happy Easter.

ALDERMAN JORDAN: Congratulations to Michael Clark. Happy Easter to all.

ALDERMAN ROTH: Eagle Scout makes a difference in the job market. In his line of work, it means a lot to see it on a resume.

CHIEF PRUETT: Explained the Police Department is reaching out to the area churches to try and establish a "Chaplain Program". He has met with Reverend Jones with Greater Deliverance International Ministries Church.

MARK TRANEL: Excused.

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

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

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

MEETING ADJOURNED: Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

ATTEST:



Deni Donovan, City Clerk.

Approved by the Board of Alderman on April 16, 2015