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Belvidere, Illinois)

BELVIDERE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

Date: April 3, 2023

Convened in the Belvidere Council Chambers, 401 Whitney Blvd, Belvidere Illinois
at 7:00 p.m.

Call to order by Mayor Morris.

(1) Roll Call: Present: Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Freeman, McGee, Mulhall, Porter,
Prather, Snow and Stevens.

Absent: None.

Other staff members in attendance:

Public Works Director Brent Anderson, Fire Chief Shawn Schadle, Police Chief Shane
Woody, Director of Buildings Kip Countryman, Community Development Planner Gina
DelRose, Budget and Finance Officer Shannon Hansen, City Attorney Mike Drella and
City Clerk Sarah Turnipseed.

(2) Pledge of Allegiance:

Invocation: Mayor Morris.

(3) Public Comment:

Executive Director Pam Lopez-Fettes of Growth Dimensions
commented on site selection for projects and funding of Growth
Dimensions.

Mayor Morris shared invite from Belvidere Ministerial Association
gathering of local churches at Immanuel Lutheran Church on April
5th at 6:30p.m. for worship and prayer.

(4) Approval of Minutes:

(A) Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of the Belvidere City Council of
March 20, 2023; as presented.

Motion by Ald. Fleury, 2nd by Ald. Mulhall to approve the minutes of the regular meeting
of the Belvidere City Council of March 20, 2023. Aye voice vote carried. Motion
carried.

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(5) Public Hearing: Annual Budget for 2023-2024 fiscal year.

Mayor Morris opened the public hearing at 7:09 p.m. and read the publication that appeared in the Boone County Journal on March 23, 2023, and asked if there was anyone here to address the public hearing, there being none the public hearing closed at 7:10p.m.

(6) Special Messages and Proclamations:

(A) Child Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation.

Mayor Morris presented Child Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation to Judge C. Robert Tobin III.

(7) Approval of Expenditures: None.

(8) Committee Reports and Minutes of City Officers:

(A) Approval of the Minutes of Committee of the Whole – Public Safety, Finance & Personnel of March 27, 2023; as presented.

Motion by Ald. Mulhall, 2nd by Ald. Porter to approve the minutes of Committee of the Whole – Public Safety, Finance & Personnel of March 27, 2023. Aye voice vote carried. Motion carried.

(9) Unfinished Business:

(A) Ord. #618H – 2nd Reading: An Ordinance Granting a Special Use to Allow Indoor Commercial Entertainment Within the PB, Planned Business District (1946 Gateway Center Drive).

Motion by Ald. Prather, 2nd by Ald. Porter to pass Ord. #618H. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Freeman, McGee, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow and Stevens. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(B) Ord. #619H – 2nd Reading: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 150, Zoning Ordinance, of the Municipal Code (Sections 150.706 Exterior Storage Standards for Residential, Office and Commercial Districts, 150.712 Fencing Standards and 150.1008 Changeable Copy Signs).

Motion by Ald. Snow, 2nd by Ald. Prather to pass Ord. #619H. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Fleury, Frank, Freeman, McGee, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow, Stevens and Brereton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(C) Ord. #620H – 2nd Reading: An Ordinance Granting a Special Use to Allow Indoor Commercial Entertainment within the CB, Central Business District (132 N. State Street).

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Motion by Ald. McGee, 2nd by Ald. Prather to pass Ord. #620H. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Frank, Freeman, McGee, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow, Stevens, Brereton and Fleury. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(D) Ord. #621H – 2nd Reading: An Ordinance Granting a Special Use to Allow In-Vehicle Sales or Service (Automatic Car Wash) and Indoor Commercial Entertainment (Video Gaming) Within the GB, General Business District (1125 North State Street).

Motion by Ald. Snow, 2nd by Ald. Prather to pass Ord. #621H. Discussion took place concerning applicant and site plan. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Freeman, McGee, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow, Stevens, Brereton, Fleury and Frank. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(E) Ord. #622H – 2nd Reading: An Ordinance Budgeting for all corporate purposes for the City of Belvidere, Boone County, Illinois for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2023 and ending April 30, 2024.

Motion by Ald. Frank, 2nd by Ald. McGee to pass Ord. #622H. Motion by Ald. Porter, 2nd by Ald. McGee to amend Exhibit B Non-Union FY 24 Salary Schedule as presented April 3, 2023, by Budget and Finance Director Shannon Hansen. Roll Call Vote to Amend: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: McGee, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow, Stevens, Brereton, Fleury, Frank and Freeman. Nays: None. Motion to amend carried. Motion by Ald. Snow, 2nd by Ald. Freeman to reduce the Budget and Finance Officer's salary by \$2,000.00. Roll Call Vote: 5/6 in favor. Ayes: Mulhall, Prather, Snow, Fleury and Freeman. Nays: Porter, Stevens, Brereton, Frank, McGee and Mayor Morris. Motion to amend lost. Motion by Ald. Snow, 2nd by Ald. Fleury to amend the budgeted amount for Growth Dimensions from \$20,000 to \$55,000. Further discussion took place concerning Growth Dimensions. Roll Call Vote: 5/6 in favor. Ayes: Prather, Snow, Fleury, Freeman and Mulhall. Nays: Porter, Stevens, Brereton, Frank, McGee and Mayor Morris. Motion to amend lost. Motion by Ald. Fleury, 2nd by Ald. Snow to amend the budgeted amount for Growth Dimensions from \$20,000 to \$45,000. Roll Call Vote: 5/6 in favor. Ayes: Prather, Snow, Fleury, Freeman and Mulhall. Nays: Stevens, Brereton, Frank, McGee, Porter and Mayor Morris. Motion to amend lost. Roll call vote on original motion as amended: 8/2 in favor. Ayes: Snow, Stevens, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, McGee, Mulhall and Porter. Nays: Freeman and Prather. Motion carried.

(F) Ord. #623H – 2nd Reading: An Ordinance Amending Article VIII of Chapter 26 of the City of Belvidere Municipal Code Relating to Mobile Food Vehicles.

Motion by Ald. Snow, 2nd by Ald. Brereton to pass Ord. #623H. Motion to amend by Ald. Snow, 2nd by Ald. Prather to reduce the yearly licensing fee from \$500.00 to \$100.00. Roll Call Vote: 5/6 in favor. Ayes: Fleury, Freeman, Mulhall, Prather and Snow. Nays: Stevens, Brereton, Frank, McGee, Porter and Mayor Morris. Motion to amend lost. Further discussion took place concerning ordinance. Motion to amend by Ald. Snow, 2nd by Ald. McGee to allow Mobile Food Trucks who have not paid the \$500.00 annual permit fee may obtain a \$100.00 reduced permit fee per event for city

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approved block parties and parades. Roll Call Vote: 8/2 in favor. Ayes: Fleury, Freeman, McGee, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow and Stevens. Nays: Brereton and Frank. Motion to amend carried. Roll Call Vote on original motion as amended: 9/1 in favor. Ayes: Fleury, Freeman, McGee, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow, Stevens and Brereton. Nays: Frank. Motion carried.

(G) Ord. #624H – 2nd Reading: An Ordinance Amending Section 98-12(a)(3) Sidewalk Cafés of the City of Belvidere Municipal Code.

Motion by Ald. Frank, 2nd by Ald. Fleury to pass Ord. #624H. Roll Call Vote: 9/1 in favor. Ayes: Frank, Freeman, McGee, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow, Stevens and Fleury. Nays: Brereton. Motion carried.

(H) Ord. #625H – 2nd Reading: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 46, Fire Prevention and Protection of the City of Belvidere Municipal Code to Add a New Article III, Ambulance Services.

Motion by Ald. Snow, 2nd by Ald. Frank to pass Ord. #625H. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Freeman, McGee, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow, Stevens, Brereton, Fleury and Frank. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(10) New Business:

(A) Res. #2023-12: A Resolution for Improvement Under the Illinois Highway Code for Newburg Road from Irene Road to Shaw Road.

Motion by Ald. Prather, 2nd by Ald. McGee to adopt Res. #2023-12. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: McGee, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow, Stevens, Brereton, Fleury, Frank and Freeman. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(B) Res. #2023-13: A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Inter-Governmental Agreement Between the City of Belvidere and Belvidere Community Unit School District 100 Regarding Reciprocal Reporting and Surveillance System Access.

Motion by Ald. Prather, 2nd by Ald. McGee to adopt Res. #2023-13. Roll Call Vote: 9/1 in favor. Ayes: Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow, Stevens, Brereton, Fleury, Frank and McGee. Nays: Freeman. Motion carried.

Motions forwarded from Committee of the Whole – Public Safety, Finance & Personnel of March 27, 2023.

(A) Motion to consent to and approve the appointment of Jenny Tillema to the Ida Public Library Board to fill the current vacancy for unexpired term ending July 1, 2023. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Porter, Prather,

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Snow, Stevens, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Freeman, McGee and Mulhall.
Motion carried.

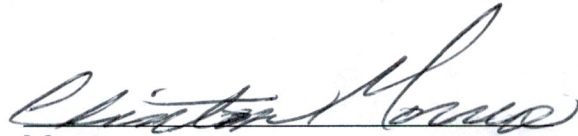
- (B) Motion to consent to and approve the appointment of Paige Ansley to the Ida Public Library Board to fill the current vacancy for unexpired term ending July 1, 2024. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Prather, Snow, Stevens, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Freeman, McGee, Mulhall and Porter. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- (C) Motion to approve the low bid from Stenstrom Excavation and Blacktop Group, in the amount of \$163,230.00, for the City's annual sidewalk program. The unit prices are \$11.00/sf for removal and replacement of 4" sidewalk and \$10.80/sf for removal and replacement of 6" sidewalk. This work will be paid from Line Item #01-5-310-6003 and Line Item #41-5-110-7900. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Snow, Stevens, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Freeman, McGee, Mulhall, Porter and Prather. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- (D) Motion to approve the low bid from Minnihhan's Tree Service, in the amount of \$52,600.00, for tree work from May 1, 2023 to April 30, 2024 for the City of Belvidere. This work will be paid for from Forestry Funds. Discussion took place concerning tree damage from Tornado of March 31, 2023. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Stevens, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Freeman, McGee, Mulhall, Porter, Prather and Snow. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- (E) Motion to approve the low bid from Nico's Landscaping, in the amount of \$22,690.00, for the 2023 landscape maintenance program. This work will be paid for from Street Department Line Items #01-5-310-6002, and #01-5-310-6826. Discussion took place concerning bidders. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Freeman, McGee, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow and Stevens. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- (F) Motion to approve the low bid from Nico's Landscaping, in the amount of \$470.00 per mowing, for the mowing of Water Department Sites. This work will be paid from Water Department Line Item #61-5-810-6040. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Fleury, Frank, Freeman, McGee, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow, Stevens and Brereton. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- (G) Motion to approve the low bid from Nico's Landscaping, in the amount \$850.00 per mowing, for the mowing of the Public Works Sites. This work will be paid from Street Department Line Item #01-5-310-6002. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Frank, Freeman, McGee, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow, Stevens, Brereton and Fleury. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- (H) Motion to approve the low bid from Nico's Landscaping, in the amount of \$250.00 per mowing, for the Farmington Ponds. This work will be paid from the Farmington Pond Maintenance Fund. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Freeman, McGee, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow, Stevens, Brereton, Fleury and Frank. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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- (I) Motion to approve the proposal from Strand Associates, in the amount not-to-exceed \$18,850.00, to complete the Source Water Protection Plan. This work will be paid for from the Water Line Item #61-1780, Connection Fees. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: McGee, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow, Stevens, Brereton, Fleury, Frank and Freeman. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- (J) Motion to approve the Belvidere Area Chamber of Commerce Street Closures Request for 2023 Buchanan Street Strolls as outlined in their letter of March 21, 2023. Discussion took place concerning dates, times and allowing alcohol in the right of ways. Roll Call Vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow, Stevens, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Freeman and McGee. Nays: None. Motion carried.

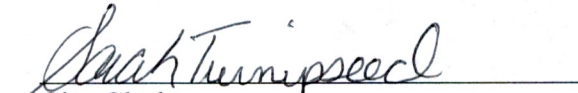
(11) Adjournment:

Motion by Ald. Frank, 2nd by Ald. Porter to adjourn meeting at 9:01 p.m. Aye voice vote carried. Motion carried.



 Mayor

Attest:



 City Clerk