## BELVIDERE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Date: December 20, 2021

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, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow and Stevens.

Absent: McGee.

Other staff members in attendance:

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

- (2) Pledge of Allegiance: Invocation:
- (3) Public Comment:
  - (A) John Albertini thanked the City of Belvidere officials and employees for all their hard work this last year and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.
- (4) Approval of Minutes:
  - (A) Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of the Belvidere City Council of December 6, 2021; as presented.

Motion by Ald. Prather, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ald. Snow to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Belvidere City Council of December 6, 2021. Aye voice vote carried. Motion carried.

- (5) Public Hearing:
  - (A) Proposed Property Tax Levy.

Mayor Morris opened the public hearing at 7:05p.m. and stated the publication for the Proposed Property Tax Levy appeared in the Boone County Journal on December 9, 2021. Mayor Morris asked if there was anyone present to address the public hearing, there being none the public hearing closed at 7:06p.m.

(B)Renewal of Comcast of Illinois/Indiana/Ohio LLC.

Mayor Morris opened the public hearing at 7:06p.m. and stated the publication for the Renewal of Comcast of Illinois/Indiana/Ohio LLC appeared in the Boone County Journal on December 9, 2021. Mayor Morris asked if there was anyone present to address the public hearing, there being none the public hearing closed at 7:07p.m.

- (6) Special Messages and Proclamations:
  - (A) Budget and Finance Officer Shannon Hansen announced that RFP's for Audit Services and a Proposed Budget will be presented in January.
  - (B) Report of Growth Dimensions by Executive Director Pam Lopez-Fettes. Discussion took place.
- (7) Approval of Expenditures: General & Special Fund Expenditures: \$1,661,692.85 Water & Sewer Fund Expenditures: \$635,156.31

Motion by Ald. Fleury, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ald. Porter to approve the General & Special Fund Expenditures in the amount of \$1,661,692.85. Discussion took place. Roll Call Vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Freeman, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow and Stevens. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ald. Prather, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ald. Porter to approve the Water & Sewer Fund Expenditures in the amount of \$635,156.31. Roll Call Vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Fleury, Frank, Freeman, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow, Stevens and Brereton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- (8) Committee Reports and Minutes of City Officers:
  - (A) Monthly Report of Belvidere Police Department Overtime for November 2021.
  - (B) Monthly Report of Belvidere Fire Department Overtime for November 2021.
  - (C) Monthly Report of Community Development Department/Planning Department for November 2021.
  - (D) Monthly Report of Building Department Revenues, Residential Building Permits and Case Reports for November 2021.
  - (E) Monthly General Fund Report for November 2021.
  - (F) Monthly Water/Sewer Fund Report November 2021.
  - (G) Monthly CD Investments for November 2021.
  - (H) Minutes of Planning and Zoning Commission December 14, 2021.

Let the record show these reports were placed on file.

(I) Minutes of Committee of the Whole – Building, Planning and Zoning and Public Works of December 13, 2021.

Motion by Ald. Brereton, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ald. Mulhall to approve the minutes of Committee of the Whole – Building, Planning and Zoning and Public Works of December 13, 2021. Aye voice vote carried. Motion carried.

## (9) Unfinished Business:

(A) Ord. #553H – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: An Ordinance Levying Taxes for all Corporate Purposes for the City of Belvidere, Boone County, Illinois for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2021 and ending April 30, 2022.

Motion by Ald. Snow, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ald. Fleury to pass Ordinance #553H. Motion by Ald. Porter, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ald. Brereton to amend Ord.#553H to change the library portion of the tax levy from \$759,415.00 to \$744,525.00. Discussion took place. Roll Call Vote to Amend: 6/3 in favor. Ayes: Frank, Freeman, Mulhall, Porter, Stevens and Brereton. Nays: Prather, Snow and Fleury. Motion carried. Further discussion took place. Motion by Ald. Porter, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ald. Freeman to amend Ord.#553H to add a new Section 3 to the ordinance as follows: "The requirements of Section 3-5 of the Illinois Library Act (75 ILCS 5/3-5) are specifically abrogated and waived for purposes of this Ordinance 553H pursuant to the City of Belvidere's home rule authority. The Library Taxes provided for in the Illinois Library Act shall be levied in the amount set forth in this Ordinance 553H." Roll Call Vote to Amend: 7/2 in favor. Ayes: Freeman, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Stevens, Brereton and Frank. Nays: Snow and Fleury. Motion carried. Roll Call Vote to pass Ordinance #553H as amended: 6/3 in favor. Ayes: Mulhall, Porter, Stevens, Brereton, Frank and Freeman. Nays: Prather, Snow and Fleury. Motion carried.

(B) Ord. #554H – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: An Ordinance Making a Levy and Providing for a Special Service Area #2 Tax in the City of Belvidere, Boone County, Illinois for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2021 and ending April 30, 2022.

Motion by Ald. Snow, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ald. Frank to pass Ordinance #554H. Discussion took place. Roll Call Vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Porter, Prather, Snow, Stevens, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Freeman and Mulhall. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(C) Ord. #555H – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: An Ordinance Making a Levy and Providing for a Special Area #3 Tax in the City of Belvidere, Boone County, Illinois for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2021 and ending April 30, 2022.

Motion by Ald. Snow, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ald. Stevens to pass Ordinance #555H. Roll Call Vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Prather, Snow, Stevens, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Freeman, Mulhall and Porter. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(D) Ord. #559H – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of an Alley Generally Lying North of 121 N. State Street in the City of Belvidere, Illinois.

Motion by Ald. Porter, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ald. Frank to table Ordinance #559H to January 3, 2022. Aye voice vote carried. Motion carried.

(E) Ord. #560H – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of a Cable Franchise Agreement between the City of Belvidere and Comcast of Illinois/Indiana/Ohio LLC.

Motion by Ald. Stevens, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ald. Snow to pass Ordinance #560H. Roll Call Vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Snow, Stevens, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Freeman, Mulhall, Porter and Prather. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(F) Ord. #561H – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Certain Personal Property (Fire Department Vehicle).

Motion by Ald. Stevens, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ald. Snow to pass Ordinance #561H. Roll Call Vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Stevens, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Freeman, Mulhall, Porter, Prather and Snow. Nays: None. Motion carried.

## (10) New Business:

- (A) Ord. #562H 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: An Ordinance Granting a Special Use to Allow Accessory Outdoor Storage within the PI, Planned Industrial District (1930-1960 West Chrysler Drive).
- (B) Ord. #563H 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: An Ordinance Re-Adopting and Affirming Ordinance 506G, An Ordinance Providing for the Number of Aldermen in the City of Belvidere.

Let the record show that Ordinance #562H and Ordinance #563H were placed on file for first reading.

Motions forwarded from Committee of the Whole – Building, Planning and Zoning and Public Works of December 13, 2021.

- (A) Motion to approve the proposal from Ceroni Piping, in the amount of \$2,480.00, for furnishing and installing a new air dryer for the Well #10 filtration system. This equipment will be paid for from Line item #61-5-810-6020. Roll Call Vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Freeman, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow and Stevens. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- (B) Motion to waive the bidding requirements for the purchase of filter fabric screens for the Waste Water Treatment Plant. Roll Call Vote: 9/0 in favor. Aye: Fleury, Frank, Freeman, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow, Stevens and Brereton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(C) Motion to approve the purchase of 1100 filter fabric screens from Veolia Water Technologies (Kruger parent company), at a cost of \$123,298.38 (including shipping). These screens will be paid for from Line Item #61-5-820-6010. Roll Call Vote: Frank, Freeman, Mulhall, Porter, Prather, Snow, Stevens, Brereton and Fleury. Nays: None. Motion carried.

## (11) Adjournment:

Motion by Ald. Stevens, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ald. Frank to adjourn meeting at 7:53 p.m. Aye voice vote carried. Motion carried.

Attest:

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