

State of Illinois) SS
Belvidere, Illinois)

BELVIDERE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

Date: October 2, 2023

Convened in the Belvidere Council Chambers, 401 Whitney Blvd, Belvidere Illinois
at 6:00 p.m.

Call to order by Mayor Morris.

(1) Roll Call: Present: J. Albertini, R. Brereton, M. Fleury, W. Frank, M. Freeman,
S. Gramkowski, M. McGee and D. Snow.

Absent: N. Mulhall and T. Porter.

Other staff members in attendance:

Public Works Assistant Director Jordon Keck, Budget and Finance Officer Shannon
Hansen, Police Chief Shane Woody, Fire Chief Shawn Schadle, Director of Buildings
Kip Countryman, Community Development Planner Gina DelRose, City Attorney Mike
Drella and Deputy City Clerk Erica Bluege.

(2) Pledge of Allegiance:

Invocation: Mayor Morris.

(3) Public Comment: James Lee, IDA Public Library Board Member spoke concerning
the appointment process to the IDA Public Library Board.

(4) Approval of Minutes:

(A) Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of the Belvidere City Council of
September 18, 2023; as presented.

Motion by Ald. Fleury, 2nd by Ald. Gramkowski to approve the minutes of the regular
meeting of the Belvidere City Council of September 18, 2023. Aye voice vote carried.
Motion carried.

(5) Public Hearing: Annexation Agreement relating to real property generally located
West of Irene Road, North of U.S. Route 20 and South of the Union
Pacific Railroad.

Mayor Morris opened public hearing at 6:14 p.m. and stated publication for Public
Hearing for Annexation Agreement appeared in the Boone County Journal on September

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14, 2023. Mayor Morris asked if there was anyone present to address the public hearing, there being none the public hearing closed at 6:15p.m.

(6) Special Messages and Proclamations:

(A) Proclamation for Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Proclamation for Domestic Violence Awareness Month presented to Hon. C. Robert Tobin III.

(B) Sister Cities Association of Belvidere receives 2023 IL Sister City of the Year Award.

Linda Castro-Sebena with Sister Cities Association of Belvidere shared the 2023 Illinois Sister City of the Year Award with the City of Belvidere.

(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 September 25, 2023; as presented.

Motion by Ald. Albertini, 2nd by Ald. McGee to approve the minutes of Committee of the Whole – Public Safety, Finance & Personnel of September 25, 2023. Aye voice vote carried. Motion carried.

(9) Unfinished Business:

(A) Ord. #639H – 2nd Reading: An Ordinance Revising the FY 2024 Budget Adopted by Ordinance #622H.

Motion by Ald. Albertini, 2nd by Ald. Gramkowski to pass Ord. #639H. Discussion took place concerning revising Finance Director's salary.

Ald. N. Mulhall arrived at 6:52p.m.

Roll Call Vote to pass Ord. #639H: 8/2 in favor. Ayes: Albertini, Fleury, Frank, Freeman, Gramkowski, McGee, Mulhall and Mayor Morris. Nays: Brereton and Snow. Motion carried.

(B) Ord. #640H – 2nd Reading: An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of an Annexation Agreement Between the City of Belvidere and Midwest Refrigerated Services, Inc. and Alliance Development Corp.

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Motion by Ald. Snow, 2nd Ald. Albertini to pass Ord. #640H. Motion by Ald. Snow, 2nd by Ald. Mulhall to amend Ord. #640H to remove any reference to Donald K. Busch. Discussion took place concerning amendment. Roll Call Vote on amendment: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Freeman, Gramkowski, McGee, Mulhall, Snow and Albertini. Nays: None. Motion to amend carried. Discussion took place concerning grant and annexation. Roll Call Vote on Motion as Amended: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Fleury, Frank, Freeman, Gramkowski, McGee, Mulhall, Snow, Albertini and Brereton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(C) Ord. #641H – 2nd Reading: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory Lying North of US Route 20, West of Irene Road and South of the Union Pacific Railroad to the City of Belvidere, Boone County, Illinois.

Motion by Ald. Snow, 2nd by Ald. Albertini to pass Ord. #641H. Roll Call Vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Frank, Freeman, Gramkowski, McGee, Mulhall, Snow, Albertini, Brereton and Fleury. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(D) Ord. #642H – 2nd Reading: An Ordinance Amending Section 110-91, Stop Streets, of the City of Belvidere Municipal Code to Add West 5th Street at 5th Avenue as a One-Way Stop.

Motion by Ald. Frank, 2nd by Ald. Fleury to pass Ord. #642H. Roll Call Vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Freeman, Gramkowski, McGee, Mulhall, Snow, Albertini, Brereton, Fleury and Frank. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(E) Ord. #643H – 2nd Reading: An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Certain Personal Property (City Vehicles).

Motion by Ald. Albertini, 2nd by Ald. Frank to pass Ord. #643H. Roll Call Vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Gramkowski, McGee, Mulhall, Snow, Albertini, Brereton, Fleury, Frank and Freeman. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(F) Ord. #644H – 2nd Reading: An Ordinance Granting a Special Use to Allow Roof, Above Peak Sign Within the GB, General Business District (1910 North State Street).

Motion by Ald. Snow, 2nd by Ald. Gramkowski to pass Ord. #644H. Discussion took place concerning ordinance. Roll Call Vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: McGee, Mulhall, Snow, Albertini, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Freeman and Gramkowski. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(G) Ord. #645H – 2nd Reading: An Ordinance Granting A Zoning District Change From RH, Rural Holding District to HI, Heavy Industrial District (1686 US Route 20).

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Motion by Ald. Snow, 2nd by Ald. Mulhall to pass Ord. #645H. Roll Call Vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Mulhall, Snow, Albertini, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Freeman, Gramkowski and McGee. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(10) New Business:

- (A) Ord. #646H – 1st Reading: An Ordinance Authorizing the City of Belvidere Fire & Police Commission to Adopt New Rules Creating a Continuous Eligibility Register for Police Officer Candidates and other Pre-Hiring Rules.
- (B) Ord. #647H – 1st Reading: An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Certain Personal Property (2002 American LaFrance Fire Engine).
- (C) Ord. #648H – 1st Reading: An Ordinance Amending Section 74-215 of the City of Belvidere Municipal Code Relating to Outdoor Burning.

Let the record show Ordinances: #646H, #647H and #648H were placed on file for first reading.

- (D) Res. #2023-23 – A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of An Amendment to An Intergovernmental Agreement with Boone County for the Provision of a Community Law Enforcement Officer Pursuant to the COSSAP Grant.

Motion by Ald. Fleury, 2nd Ald. McGee to adopt Res.#2023-23. Roll Call Vote: 7/2 in favor. Ayes: Snow, Albertini, Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski, McGee and Mulhall. Nays: Brereton and Freeman. Motion carried.

Motions forwarded from Committee of the Whole – Public Safety, Finance & Personnel of September 25, 2023.

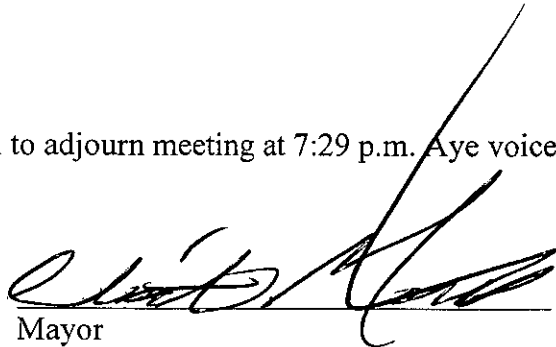
- (A) Motion to approve the street closure request from the Belvidere Fire Department for State Street at the north end of the bridge to Leonard Ct. on Sunday, October 8th, from 12:15p.m. to 4:15p.m. for the annual Fire Department Open House. Roll Call Vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Albertini, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Freeman, Gramkowski, McGee, Mulhall and Snow. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- (B) Motion to approve the street closure request from the Belvidere Area Chamber of Commerce for State Street from Lincoln Avenue to 1st Street, as well as Logan Avenue between State and Main Street and 1st Street from State to Garfield Avenue on Friday, December 1, 2023, between 3:00p.m. and 10:00p.m. for Hometown Christmas. Roll Call Vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Freeman, Gramkowski, McGee, Mulhall, Snow and Albertini. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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(C) Motion to consent to the appointment of Steve Pierce to the IDA Public Library Board of Trustees to fill a current vacancy on the Board which term will expire on July 1, 2025. Discussion took place concerning appointment. Roll Call Vote: 7/2 in favor. Ayes: Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski, McGee, Mulhall, Albertini and Brereton. Nays: Freeman and Snow. Motion carried.

(11) Adjournment:

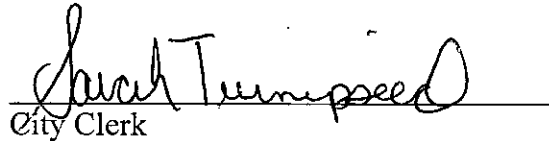
Motion by Ald. Frank, 2nd by Ald. Albertini to adjourn meeting at 7:29 p.m. Aye voice vote carried. Motion carried.



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Mayor

Attest:



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Sarah Thompson", written over a horizontal line.

City Clerk