

City of Belleville
City Council Meeting
Monday, March 28, 2022
Belleville City Council Room

The meeting of the City of Belleville Council was held on Monday, March 28, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Belleville City Council room.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Adam Robertson, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pastor Jacob Rice provided the opening prayer and comments. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ATTENDENCE:

Council members present: Pam McGregor, Doane Sells, James Doyle and Nick Cox. Mike Nondorf and Mike Palmquist were absent.

City Staff present: City Manager Adam Anderson, City Clerk Russ Piroutek, City Attorney Andy Lohmann and Police Chief Chris Springer.

Others present: Fred Arnold, Waylon Sheetz, Rick Snodgrass, Aaron Westbrook, Jacob Rice and Chuck Westin.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES AND DISBURSEMENTS:

Doane Sells made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 14th, 2022 regular Council Meeting. James Doyle seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Doane Sells made a motion to approve the appropriations and disbursements. James Doyle seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chuck Westin commented on the sale of the lot at 18th & M Street.

NEW BUSINESS:

City Manager Anderson provided an overview of the sidewalks that were recently completed, and which are scheduled to be completed. About 1,000 feet will need to be done this summer near Rocky Pond, as grant funds were provided to help with this section, and the project needs to be finished. This would leave little time for other sidewalks around town. The Council discussed finishing a small section on O Street near the school, designating a certain number of sidewalks to be done each year and encouraged the public to provide areas in town that need sidewalk improvement.

Information regarding TIF Districts were provided to the Council. There would be a number of steps that would need to be done to designate an area a TIF District. The City will continue to gather information for further discussion.

City Manager Anderson reviewed the capital projects city crews will be working on this summer. Projects scheduled for this summer will include the sidewalk from Rocky Pond to the Ballfields, the new rest rooms at Rocky Pond, installing utilities by Love's and the Water Treatment Plant. Updates on these projects will be giving throughout the summer.

The Council also discussed the sale of the lot at 18th & M Street. The lot has been listed in the paper and on the electronic sign on the lot, with a deadline for sealed bids on April 8th, 2022. There was question on whether the lot should be sold in its entirety, or if it could be parceled out. The City will keep the north 20 feet for the car charging station. After more discussion, the Council decided that bids could be sent on however much of the property the bidder wanted, and the NCK Industrial Development Group will help look at the bids.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Doane Sells made a motion to go into executive session for 15 minutes with the Council, Mayor, City Manager, City Clerk and City Attorney for consultation with an attorney on matters that would be deemed privileged in an attorney-client relationship. Pam McGregor seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. The Council went into executive session at 7:47 p.m. The Council returned from executive session at 8:02 p.m. No action was taken.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:

The City will have another electric department employee enrolled in the Journeyman Lineman program with KMU. The city is currently not a member of KMU, but will look into it during the next budget cycle.

COUNCIL MEMBER/MAYOR COMMENTS:

Pam McGregor stated she was happy to see progress with the sidewalks.

Doane Sells mentioned the 7th Grade essay contest, where the electronic sign will end up and upcoming cancer screenings.

James Doyle commented on the City-Wide Cleanup starting April 11th.

Nick Cox appreciated the work the City staff is doing.

Mayor Robertson also commented on how well the City crews are doing, especially short an employee.

ADJOURNMENT:

James Doyle made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Nick Cox seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Russell Piroutek
City Clerk