

City of Belleville  
City Council Meeting  
Monday, May 23, 2022  
Belleville City Council Room

The meeting of the City of Belleville Council was held on Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 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 Rick Snodgrass offered the opening prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ATTENDENCE:

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

City Staff present: City Manager Adam Anderson, City Clerk Russ Piroutek and City Attorney Aaron Westbrook.

Others present: Fred Arnold, Chris Springer, Rick Snodgrass, Jay Kallman, Annette Bredthauer, Jeanette Sheets, Andy Massing, Jenny Russell and Harlee Schuster.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES AND DISBURSEMENTS:

James Doyle made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022 regular Council Meeting. Mike Palmquist seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jeanette Sheets, Andy Massing and Annette Bredthaur addressed the Council with their concerns regarding the County allowing wind generation in Republic County. They felt the County Commissioners should enact more rules regarding wind generation to help protect the property owners and residents of Republic County.

Jay Kallman, Kallman Insurance Services, presented the City's dividend check for 2021.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Council spent time discussing Economic development goals and expectations for the future. Some items discussed were recruiting new businesses, downtown economic development, commercial and industrial development near Love's Travel, housing around the square, housing incentives and options for the grass lot at 18<sup>th</sup> & M Street. Jenny Russell, Republic County Economic Development Director and Republic County Economic Development employee Harlee Schuster answered questions and provided input. The Council

also asked about moving the Economic Development Office from Courtland to Belleville. It was the consensus of the Council to continue this discussion and review progress on a regular basis at future meetings.

CITY ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS:

Court went well this evening.

CITY CLERK'S COMMENTS:

The Board of Appeals approved a variance for Cunningham Communications, Inc, at 2204 L Street to construct a fiber hub building.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:

City Manager Anderson gave an update on the opening of the pool this season.

COUNCIL MEMBER/MAYOR COMMENTS:

Pam was excited to hear about potential commercial activity near Loves.

Mike Nondorf thanked the City crews for all their work.

Doane Sells commented on the fishing tournament and music festival coming up.

James Doyle mentioned he is filing for another term as Council member and also thanked the City crews.

Mike Palmquist commented on the good discussion about Economic Development and the City needs to continue to look into adding another engine at the Power Plant.

Nick Cox thanked those who came to the meeting regarding wind generation and the City will continue to work on the employee pay schedule.

Mayor Robertson thanked the city crews for their work during the recent power outage. He was also pleased with the discussions at this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

James Doyle made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mike Nondorf seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Russell Piroutek  
City Clerk