# City of Belleville City Council Meeting Monday, November 23, 2020 Belleville City Council Room

The meeting of the City of Belleville Council was held on Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the Belleville City Council room.

#### CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Robertson called the Council meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Rick Snodgrass provided the open comments and prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#### ATTENDENCE:

<u>Council members present:</u> Kim Lapo, Mike Nondorf, Mike Palmquist, Kelly Collard and Tiffany Hansen.

<u>City Staff present:</u> City Manager Adam Anderson, City Clerk Russ Piroutek, City Attorney Andy Lohmann, Police Chief Chris Springer and Officer Jon Strowig.

Others present: Waylon Sheets, Rick Snodgrass, James Doyle, Denis Miller, Jay Kallman, Rick Snodgrass and Arlene Clayton.

# APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES AND DISBURSEMENTS:

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 regular Council Meeting. Mike Nondorf seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve the appropriations and disbursements. Tiffany Hansen seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Jay Kallman thanked the Council and City crews for their assistance and cooperation while he had repairs done to his building downtown.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Denis Miller with Mapes & Miller, LLC, provided a draft of the 2019 audit for the Governing Body. After reviewing the audit with the Council, and answering questions, Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve the audit as presented. Mike Nondorf seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on voice vote.

The Council discussed the property at 1303 18<sup>th</sup> Street. The extension of 45 days that was granted to the property owner to make repairs has elapsed. The property owner could not make it to the meeting, but provided pictures of the work that has been done so far. After some discussion from the Council, Mike Palmquist made a motion to schedule Campbell &

Johnson, P.A. to inspect the structure again and give advice at what still needs to be accomplished. Tiffany Hansen seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. It was expected that Campbell & Johnson would not be able to schedule an inspection until after the new year. The property owner will be notified when the inspection is scheduled.

More information and prices of improvements at Rocky Pond were included in the packet. Different examples of drop boxes, fire rings and fountains were discussed. It was the consensus of the Council to proceed with replacing the drop box with a stainless-steel one and ordering two fire rings to be placed at Rocky Pond. The Council asked for an estimate on extending electric service out on the pier, so a fountain could be placed more in the center of the pond. An estimate will be brought back to the next meeting.

Documents to amend the 2020 budget were presented to the Council. The proposed budget amendment would increase the expenditures in the Library Fund by \$6,100, due to more revenues collected. Mike Palmquist made a motion to publish the amendment as presented and set the public hearing date for December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. Mike Nondorf seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Ordinance No. 1029 was provided to the Council. This Ordinance updates the requirements, qualifications and types of contractor's licenses. Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 1029. Kim Lapo seconded the motion, which caried unanimously on a roll call vote.

#### CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

City Attorney Lohmann is working on properties that are still considered under the vacant building ordinance.

## CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Anderson had Chamber Director Waylon Sheetz announce to the council that a closing date for the sale of property at 1808 M Street had been set, and it will eventually be transferred into the Land Bank. Waylon also stated that enough funds had been raised to purchase new speakers and electronic equipment for the down town.

Councilmember Doane Sells passed along comments thanking the city crews for their work on hanging the Christmas Decorations and street repairs. He also thought it was good to continue to consider improvements at Rocky Pond.

## COUNCIL MEMBER/MAYOR COMMENTS:

Both Mike Palmquist and Tiffany Hansen thanked Waylon for his work on the projects he discussed this evening.

Mike Nondorf said the City crews did a good job on surfacing north K Street.

Councilmember Kim Lapo and Mayor Robertson agreed with all the comments made.

The Governing body briefly discussed the new County mask mandate. The Council felt that the City should continue to follow the County guidelines and not have any additional rules for masks.

# ADJOURNMENT:

Tiffany Hansen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mike Palmquist seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Russell Piroutek City Clerk