

City of Belleville
City Council Meeting
Monday, April 13, 2026
City Council Meeting Room

The meeting of the City of Belleville Council was held on Monday, April 13, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the City of Belleville Council Meeting Room. The Governing Body met at 6:00 p.m. to hear information from Molly Springer, Chamber Director, Katrina Sorell, Library Director and Paul Stockebrand, Kansas Department of Wildlife.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor James Doyle called the Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

ATTENDENCE:

Council members present: Andrew Bates, Dianne Kramer, Doane Sells, Will Boman, Mike Palmquist and Diane Boman.

City Staff present: City Manager Adam Anderson, City Clerk Russ Piroutek and City Attorney Julie Effenbeck.

Others present: Fred Arnold, Molly Springer, Katrina Sorell, Paul Stockebrand, Deb Ohlde, Chris Springer, Pam McGregor and Arlene Clayton.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES AND DISBURSEMENTS:

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 23rd, 2026, Council Meeting. Will Boman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Will Boman made a motion to approve the bills and their disbursements. Diane Boman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Deb Ohlde, North Central Regional Planning Commission provided the Governing Body information regarding what NCRPC does, and what grants may be available to the City for certain projects. She also mentioned there were still funds available for the Demo to Dirt program. The Council had numerous questions, but no action was taken.

A quick update on progress at the Power Plant was given by City Manager Anderson. After some discussion, Andrew Bates made a motion to purchase the catalyst for Engine #7a, not to exceed \$235,000. Mike Palmquist seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Pam McGregor, Pool Manager, gave an update on the swimming pool. Many things are being prepared for the upcoming season, but the City is still short a number of guards. The Governing Body discussed in length the wages paid to lifeguards, and also the admission costs. Andrew Bates made a motion to increase the cost of admissions to the swimming pool for the 2026 season to:

Family Pass	\$175.00
Single Pass	\$75.00
Daily Pass	\$3.00

Mike Palmquist seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. It was also recommended to the City Manager to increase the starting wage of lifeguards to \$12.00 per hour, and work with Pam to implement a pay schedule for the swimming pool staff for 2026.

City Manager Anderson gave a brief update on diversion fees collected through Court. For bookkeeping reasons, it will be just as easy to continue to receipt the diversion fees into the General Fund, but keep those fees earmarked specifically for Police needs.

Andrew Bates made a motion to purchase 10 sidearms for the Police Department, for a total price of \$7,737.10, with accessories from Kiesler Police Supply. Mike Palmquist seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

City Manager Anderson received 10 applications for Code Enforcement Officer and has selected 3 for interviews. With one interview scheduled for Wednesday, the position will be discussed more at the next meeting.

A request was made by Andrew Clark, who owns the EV charging station at the downtown lot to purchase more property for his business. After some discussion, the Council was not in favor of selling any of the land. No action was taken.

COUNCIL MEMBER/MAYOR COMMENTS:

Doane Sells talked about the fishing tournament and the Fire Department.

Mayor Doyle encouraged anyone who wanted to be a lifeguard to come to the City Office and pick up an application.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business, Mike Palmquist made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Will Boman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Russell Piroutek
City Clerk