

City of Belleville
City Council Meeting
Monday, April 26, 2021
Belleville City Council Room

The meeting of the City of Belleville Council was held on Monday, April 26, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the Belleville City Council room.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Robertson called the Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Pastor Jacob Rice gave the opening prayers and comments.

ATTENDENCE:

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

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

Others present: Fred Arnold, Rick Snodgrass, John Lueger, Chuck Westin and Waylon Sheetz.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES AND DISBURSEMENTS:

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 12th, 2021 regular Council Meeting. James Doyle seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chuck Westin commented on the Nuisance Abatement Program and grants for the Water Treatment Plant.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Governing Body discussed whether to sell or lease the main hanger at the Airport. At a previous meeting, the Council took action to sell the hanger to Heinen Brothers, Inc. They now wanted to discuss the subject more, and whether the City should accept bids for the hanger. John Lueger with Heinen Brothers addressed the Council regarding the hanger. They would be happy with purchasing the hanger or having a long-term lease. After more discussion from the Council, it was the consensus of the Council to move towards a long-term lease of 20 years, and have information brought back to the next meeting regarding rent of the hanger.

City Manager Anderson stated the City only received two applicants for the Nuisance Abatement Program. The Council spent time discussing how the individual would be trained, the expectations of the individual and what information the City would be able to provide. North Central Regional Planning Commission will be contacted to see what training material they may have, while staff interviews the applicants.

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 1034, adopting the codification of ordinances for the City of Belleville, Kansas. James Doyle seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 1035, creating rules, regulations, requirements and permitting process for "Mobile Food Vendors". Nick Cox seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve Cereal Malt Beverage licenses for 2021 for the Fair Amusement Committee, 901 O Street, for consumption on premises only at the Beer Garden and Grandstands/Pit Area. Nick Cox seconded the motion, which carried on a voice vote of five yeas and one abstain cast by James Doyle.

Mike Palmquist made a motion to appoint Waylon Sheetz to the Belleville Public Library Board of Trustees for a four-year term. James Doyle seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

James Doyle made a motion to approve the use of the downtown lot at 18th & M Street for the alumni weekend. Kim Lapo seconded the motion, which carried on a vote of five yeas and one abstain cast by Doane Sells.

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2021-008, setting utility charges, penalties and fees of the City of Belleville. Nick Cox seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

The Council briefly discussed the new rest rooms at Rocky Pond. New construction was to begin this year, but a grant opportunity has been found to help pay for the new rest rooms. It was the consensus of the Council to hold off on construction and apply for grant funds.

Mike Palmquist made a motion to abate the violations at 910 M Street, since the extended time for the owner to complete them has passed. Mike Nondorf seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

The Council discussed the condition of the structure at 1303 18th Street. The extended time for the owner to make repairs has passed on this property also. Mike Palmquist made a motion to go into executive session for 15 minutes for consultation with an attorney on matters that would be deemed privileged in an attorney-client relationship, with the City Manager, City Attorney and the City Clerk. Kim Lapo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. The Council left for executive session at 8:02 p.m. The Council returned from executive session at 8:17 p.m. Mike Palmquist made a motion to inform the property owner of 1303 18th Street to place the property in the Landbank Program, otherwise, the city will

begin the eminent domain process. Nick Cox seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

James Doyle made a motion to go into executive session for 10 minutes for consultation with an attorney on matters that would be deemed privileged in an attorney-client relationship, with the City Manager, City Attorney and the City Clerk. Kim Lapo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. The Council left for executive session at 8:19 p.m. The Council returned from executive session at 8:23 p.m. No action was taken.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Delivery of the City's fire truck will be sometime in May.

Engineering of the road south of Love's Travel Stop should be available towards the end of May.

COUNCIL MEMBER/MAYOR COMMENTS:

James Doyle was pleased with the new trees that were planted and thanked the City crews for the City-wide cleanup.

Doane Sells thanked the Council for approving the use of the lot for the alumni activities. He also gave a report of the use of the chamber bucks that were distributed to the 5th graders for the essay contest.

Mike Palmquist felt discussing the airport hangar again was the right thing to do.

Mike Nondorf said the new trash cans looked good.

Nick Cox thanked the City staff for all the work they do and also thanked Chuck Westin for sharing the information he presented during public comment.

Kim Lapo mentioned she was pleased with the partnership of the City and the School District in having the ballfields ready for use.

Mayor Robertson commented on charging stations for electric cars, a health initiative meeting and a story book walk at the park

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 8:32 p.m.

Russell Piroutek
City Clerk