City of Belleville City Council Meeting Monday, August 23, 2021 Belleville City Council Room

The meeting of the City of Belleville Council was held on Monday, August 23, 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. Rick Snodgrass provided the opening meeting comments and prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ATTENDENCE:

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

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

<u>Others present:</u> Fred Arnold, Rick Snodgrass, Ben Dreesen, Fred Arnold, Karen Hansen, Loretta Cole, Luke Mahin and Brett Klima.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES AND DISBURSEMENTS:

James Doyle made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 9th, 2021 regular Council Meeting. Mike Nondorf 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:

Rick Snodgrass commented on adding a logo to the Belleville water tower and naming the new streets near Love's Travel Center.

OLD BUSINESS:

James Doyle made a motion to enter into an agreement with AC Customs, LLC for the construction and use of land for an electric vehicle charging station. Doane Sells seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Information was included in the packet regarding funding options for new streets and a detention pond around the Love's Travel Center. The Council discussed these options briefly, and also asked about the City approaching local banks for financing to help with the costs of the streets.

The Council discussed increasing the duties of the Recreation Director to include activities during the Fall and Winter. Board members Karen Hansen and Brett Klima attended the meeting, along with director Loretta Cole. After discussion and questions from the Council, James Doyle made a motion to extend the directors term on a trial basis, from August 2021 to January 2022 and transfer \$3,000 from the general fund to the recreation fund to help with the cost. Mike Nondorf seconded the motion, which carried on a voice vote of three yeas and one obtain cast by Kim Lapo.

NEW BUSINESS:

A public hearing was held to hear comments regarding the City exceeding the revenue neutral rate for the 2022 budget. The Council briefly discussed whether to continue with the 2022 budget with the same mil levy as 2021, but exceed the calculated revenue neutral rate generating an additional \$12,000 to be used for road improvements, or lower the mil levy. Mayor Robertson opened the meeting to comments. No comments were heard from the public. Kim Lapo made a motion to close the public hearing. James Doyle seconded the motion, which passed unanimously on a voice vote. Kim Lapo made a motion to approve exceeding the revenue neutral rate for the 2022 budget. Mike Nondorf seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

A public hearing was held to hear comments regarding the overall 2022 City budget. Mayor Robertson opened the meeting to comments. No comments were heard from the public. James Doyle made a motion to close public comment. Kim Lapo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. No motion was made to approve the 2022 budget as it will be done at a future meeting when all Councilmembers are present.

COUNCIL MEMBER/MAYOR COMMENTS:

James Doyle reminded everyone to stay hydrated during this heat wave.

Doane Sells commented that both the music festival and the fishing derby went well.

Mike Nondorf mentioned that the kids had fun at the fishing derby this weekend.

Mayor Robertson thanked all the volunteers who have helped with recent events, and a lot of good things are going on in the community.

ADJOURNMENT:

James Doyle made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kim Lapo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Russell Piroutek City Clerk