City of Belleville
City Council Meeting
Monday, September 14, 2026
City Council Meeting Room

The meeting of the City of Belleville Council was held on Monday, September 14, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the City of Belleville Council Meeting Room. The Governing Body met at 6:00 p.m. for a planning meeting to discuss the Council vacancy, get an update on the Power Plant and the Sewer Plant. Will Boman made a motion to go into executive session for personnel matters of non-elected personnel, for the City Manager evaluation, to return at 6:59, with the Mayor and Governing Body. Diane Boman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. The Council left for executive session at 6:37 p.m. The Council returned at 6:59 p.m. No action was taken. The planning session was adjourned.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor James Doyle called the Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Rick Snodgrass offered the opening prayer and comments. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

ATTENDENCE:

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

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

Others present: Chris Zach, Ryan Stradley, Rick Snodgrass and Fred Arnold.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES AND DISBURSEMENTS:

Will Boman made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 24th, 2026, Council Meeting. Dianne Krammer seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chris Zach, Republic Economic Development Director gave an update on housing incentives. He asked if the Council would commit funds for new housing as they have in the past, even if it was not at the same level as before. After more questions from the Council, it was decided to table the discussion until next meeting, giving the Governing Body some time to think about funding levels. No action was taken.

A request was made to City staff to have the Ordinance to demolish the structure at 720 M Street rescinded. An interested party wanted to see if they could clean and fix the property to get it back to a livable home. The Governing Body had concerns about whether this individual could get a clean title on the property and how long that could take. Even then, it was unsure if the structure could be saved. After more discussion, it was the consensus of the Council not to rescind the ordinance.

Dianne Kramer made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 1095, annexing a parcel of land into the City of Belleville. Will Boman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

Chamber Director Molly Springer, along with Harley Schaub will be at the next meeting to share some ideas regarding the grass lot at 18th & M Street. The Council spent some time discussing their thoughts on what should be done with the property. No action was taken.

Will Boman made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2026-026, authorizing the abatement of nuisances at 1606 N Street. Dianne Kramer seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Diane Boman made a motion to approve a street closing permit for the back side of Rocky Pond, from November to March for Rocky Pond Christmas. Will Boman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Will Boman made a motion to approve an application for the use of the City Lot at 18th & M street for Scare on the Square on October 30th, from 10 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Diane Boman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Andrew Bates made a motion to approve a one-year contract with City Manager Anderson, and approve Resolution No. 2026-027 with a 3% increase. Dianne Kramer seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

A claim was submitted to the City for damages to a vehicle after hitting a pothole near 9th & K Street. After staff spoke with the applicant, it was recommended to deny the claim, due to inconsistent facts regarding the incident. Will Boman made a motion to deny the claim. Diane Boman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Information was provided in the packet regarding suggested improvements to the City ballfields. Costs ranged from $25,000 to $40,000 per field, depending on scope of work. Grant funding for ballparks through the Kansas City Royals opens later this week. It was decided to apply for funding through that program.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT:

An update on the utility billing software migration was given.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

An update on a couple water leaks was given.

COUNCIL MEMBER/MAYOR COMMENTS:

Diane Boman thanked City crews for extra hours worked during the holiday weekend.

Doane Sells gave an update on the last fishing tournament and asked about advertising for a power plant employee.

Dianne Kramer commented on the timely response of the electric department during an outage.

Andrew Bates talked about Chamber events and the grass lot.

Mayor Doyle commented on the power plant running, water leaks, road work and the cancellation of the World of Outlaw races.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business, Dianne Kramer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Will Boman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Russ Piroutek
City Clerk