

City of Belleville  
City Council Meeting  
Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
Belleville City Council Room

The meeting of the City of Belleville Council was held on Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Belleville City Council room.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Adam Robertson, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pastor Rick Snodgrass provided the opening prayer and comments. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ATTENDENCE:

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

City Staff present: City Manager Adam Anderson, City Clerk Russ Piroutek and City Attorney Jason Brinegar.

Others present: Fred Arnold, Chris Springer, Rick Snodgrass, Arlene Clayton and Jay Kallman.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES AND DISBURSEMENTS:

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 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. James Doyle seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Arlene Clayton commented on the lack of paint on City crosswalks.

Councilmember Pam McGregor asked the City Attorney some questions regarding her church group running the concession stand at the ballfields over the last number of years. City Attorney Brinegar confirmed that the church group was not required to pay the City anything, unless it was agreed upon prior. However, he did say if there are concerns from the public regarding this, a contract could easily be made to outline any requirements for those who have concessions at the ballfields.

UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS

Costs were provided to the Council for additional Christmas decorations, including pole mounts on the viaduct and 3 street crossings for a total of approximately \$13,500. After some

discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to stick with the original plan of spending around \$10,000 this year, so one of the street crossings will be removed from the list.

Jay Kallman, Kallman Insurance Services, provided more information on coverage at the power plant. The Council then discussed if the City's insurance needs should be sent out for bids. After some discussion, it was decided that with the tight time frame, bids would not be done this renewal, but would be looked at again in October or November.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Nick Cox made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 1054, which outlined how overbilling and underbilling of utility accounts would be treated. James Doyle seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

City Manager Anderson gave an update on the Water Treatment Plant. The contractor plans on starting construction in mid-March. Over the last few months, material has been purchased for the project.

Mike Palmquist made a motion to appoint Adam Anderson as Director 1, Russ Piroutek as Director 2 and Brian McCartney as Alternate Director for the KMEA Board of Directors. James Doyle seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mike Palmquist made a motion to appoint Russ Piroutek as the representative and Adam Anderson as alternate representative to the Members' Council of NMPP. James Doyle seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve an agreement between the City and the Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) for firm electric service. The City is allocated a small amount of electricity from WAPA each month, produced from hydroelectric sources. James Doyle seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Nuisance Abatement Officer Scott McGee provided a number of properties for the City to take action on:

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-012, authorizing the City to abate the nuisances at 1319 10<sup>th</sup> Street. Pam McGregor seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-013, authorizing the City to abate the nuisances at 1325 15<sup>th</sup> Street. Doane Sells seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

The property at 1829 I Street was looked at, but the Council felt the owners had satisfied the conditions, and no further action was taken.

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-015, authorizing the City to abate the nuisances at 1614 G Street. Doane Sells seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Doane Sells made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-016, providing support for an application for funding through the moderate-income housing program for the development of moderate income housing and rentals in Belleville. Mike Palmquist seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mike Palmquist voiced his concerns about parking along 23<sup>rd</sup> Street and K Street, as the congestion could be a safety hazard. The Council briefly discussed parking options, but no action was taken.

#### CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

City Attorney Jason Brinegar answered questions from the Council regarding delinquent property tax sales and frequency of those sales.

#### CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Contractors with the wind farm have been purchasing water from the City. All the water purchased is metered and billed to the customer.

Staff is working with KDHE to get a list of contacts updated.

#### COUNCIL MEMBER/MAYOR COMMENTS:

Pam McGregor thanked City staff for the extra hours of work.

Mike Nondorf echoed what Pam said.

Doane Sells asked the citizens to be patient with the influx of campers and workers in Belleville.

James Doyle mentioned he is working on some grants for the City, and will have more information soon.

Mike Palmquist thanked those on the nuisance abatement list for the work they have done.

Nick Cox commented on the nuisance program and welcomed all wind farm workers.

Mayor Robertson met with a contractor who might be interested in housing. The Mayor also requested information to be presented at the next meeting regarding CID and TIF districts.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

James Doyle made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mike Palmquist seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Russ Piroutek  
City Clerk