City of Belleville
City Council Meeting
Monday, October 9, 2023
Belleville City Council Room

The meeting of the City of Belleville Council was held on Monday, October 9, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Belleville City Council room. The Governing Body met at 6:00 p.m. to discuss housing, Economic Development, Belleville promotional video, Star Bonds, Cemetery Software, and the water treatment plan.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Adam Robertson, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pam McGregor provided the opening prayer. 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, Arlene Clayton, Jon Strowig, Angela Bowel, Austin Eitzmann and Don Romo.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES AND DISBURSEMENTS:

James Doyle made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 25, 2023 regular Council Meeting. Mike Palmquist 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 offered to repair the alley next to her house.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve the expenditure of $16,969 from the Sales Tax fund for cemetery software, including one-time fees of GIS mapping and document generation, and annual fees of approximately $1,500. Doane Sells seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Doane Sells made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-047, directing the owner to repair or remove an unsafe structure at 1610 20th Street. Mike Palmquist seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-048, directing the owner to repair or remove an unsafe structure at 1601 L Street. The owner and tenants of the property were in attendance, but made no comments. Nick Cox seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-049, directing the owner to repair or remove an unsafe structure at 1503 M Street. James Doyle seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve an application for a Parade Permit, for the School Marathon, on October 13, around the Courthouse square. Nick Cox seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve an application for a Parade Permit, for the Veterans Day Parade, on November 11, on M Street, from 16th to 20th Street. James Doyle seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

City Attorney Bringar gave an update on the City proceeding with tax sales on certain properties. Based on State statutes, the City could proceed with their own tax sale only after the allotted time for the County to have their tax sale. Since this is a longer time frame than having the County conduct tax sales, it does not appear to be a viable option for the City.

COUNCIL MEMBER/MAYOR COMMENTS:

Nick Cox thanked the City employees for all the City asks them to do.

Mike Palmquist would like to have more information on the City producing a promotional video.

James Doyle commented on the Rocky Pond Restrooms and the treatment plant.

Doane Sells gave an update on the most recent fishing derby and cleaning the ditch along S Street.

Pam McGregor is looking forward to having more housing available.

Mayor Robertson would like to see ideas on an incentive plan for new homes built in Belleville.

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 7:38 p.m.

Russ Piroutek
City Clerk