

## MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING April 26, 2021

Bellevue City Council met on Monday, April 26, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, a prayer was offered by Council Clerk, Mrs. Soper. Council persons present: MR. BAKER, MR. BRUGNONE, MS. DOWNING, MR. HILL, MS. OMMERT, MR. SHEPHERD, and MR. WALDRUP.

The minutes of the April 12, 2021 Public Hearing were presented for approval. A motion was made by Mr. Brugnone to approve the minutes as written. It was seconded by Mrs. Ommert. All were in favor. The minutes are approved as written.

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**President Smith** introduced Robin Richter, Director of Great Lakes Community Action Partnership Senior Services, who addressed Council. She works mainly with the Meals on Wheels program. They currently have 50 clients in the Bellevue area. Every five years a levy is on the ballot for renewal. The majority of the money goes to Meals on Wheels. She left some handouts and a couple of brochures. They have been doing a lot of their senior activities virtually because of Covid and they plan to continue beyond Covid. By the year 2030, 30% of the population of Sandusky County will be sixty and over. They are preparing for the future with programs and services.

### REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS:

**Mayor Strecker** stated that there was a ribbon cutting ceremony last Friday for Samantha Tornow at You Can Be An Artist. She will do a great job there.

Last Saturday at the Rec Club there was a ribbon cutting ceremony for the Bellevue Public Library Storywalk. They have eighteen stations and you read two pages per station so at the end of the walk you have completed a book. This is a great opportunity for young people and their families to get out and walk and enjoy wonderful children's books.

Members of various Bellevue churches worked together last Saturday to spruce up Robert Peters Park. They did a fantastic job. He thanked Pastor Brad of Bellevue's Hope Church, First United Methodist Church, Bellevue Alliance Church, and Seybert United Methodist Church.

He congratulated The Willows. This past Friday they celebrated their 13<sup>th</sup> year in Bellevue. They are a 5-star health campus and they do a wonderful job there. He is proclaiming every April 12 as The Willows Day in Bellevue.

This month is Mental Health Awareness month and this Friday is Arbor Day. The City planted three maple trees at Ridge Park.

There will be a Mother's day rigatoni drive through dinner provided by St. Paul's United Church of Christ on Sunday, May 9, from 11:00 to 1:00. The cost will be \$10.00 per person. You can contact him for more information. Also, the VFW will have a drive through BBQ chicken dinner that is open to the public on Sunday, May 9, from 11:00 to 12:30.

He thanked President Smith and Mrs. Ommert for serving at Fish & Loaves last Wednesday. He also thanked Ms. Downing for her dedication to Pass It On Clothing Closet.

**Safety-Service Director, Mr. Lantz**, stated that if you get calls inquiring about work being done at Flat Rock Road, the Street Department has been scraping back some of the boulevards. It will be a mess for a while.

He distributed a list to everyone regarding City items no longer needed. He had the superintendents of each department put a list together. He would like these items to be in an auction

on May 15 at Wilbur Wade Auctions. Mr. Wallingford will check to see if we need to do a resolution for this. Mr. Hill inquired about the light poles and stated the Rec Center may want to hold on to those for future use.

**Auditor, Mr. Smith**, mentioned that the latest report from RITA states that we are up 19% over where we were in 2019.

**Law Director, Mr. Wallingford**, thanked the City for its clean up crews that took care of branches and debris from the surprise spring snow storm we had.

#### REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

**Mr. Baker** stated he received a call from the Mayor and Safety-Service Director regarding the roof at the old Ben Franklin building. Some of it came down and the gaps are getting wider.

**Mr. Hill** stated he has received calls about the Monroe Street speed limit sign. The sign is within the City limits and he inquired if it could be moved out a little further to get the speed reduced before people enter the City limits. He has noticed more of a police presence there.

He welcomed the Boy Scouts attending the meeting tonight. He inquired if they do service projects and could possibly help with cleaning up debris in a ditch that runs down the back side of Madden behind the apartments.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**Mr. Brugnone** stated that an Economic Development Committee meeting was held tonight at 7:00 p.m. to review the CHIP program and proposed Ordinance 16-21. It was voted to take Ordinance No. 16-21 out of Committee and add it to tonight's agenda. Motion was made by Mr. Brugnone to add Ordinance No. 16-21 to tonight's agenda. It was seconded by Mrs. Ommert. A vote was taken. Motion passed by the vote 7-0.

**Mrs. Ommert** stated that a Budget & Finance Committee meeting was held tonight at 7:15 p.m. to discuss the vac truck and Ordinance No. 15-21. She scheduled another committee meeting for May 10, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. to further discuss the vac truck and ordinance.

**President Smith** scheduled a Committee of the Whole work session directly following the regular City Council meeting on Monday, May 10, 2021, to discuss the Miller property on 206-208 Center Street.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: None.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

**President Smith** stated that Treasurer, Mr. Freitag is excused tonight. He then turned the time over to Mr. Wallingford for tonight's legislation.

#### LEGISLATION:

**Resolution No. R-4-21 was given its first reading:** A RESOLUTION DETERMINING EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF BELLEVUE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**Ordinance No. 12-21 was given its first reading:** AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE

APPLICATION FOR ANNEXATION OF APPROXIMATELY 1.4373 ACRES OF LAND IN YORK TOWNSHIP TO THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, SANDUSKY COUNTY, OHIO, AND PETITIONING THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF SANDUSKY COUNTY, OHIO, UNDER O.R.C. SECTION 503.07, FOR EXCLUSION OF THE NEWLY ANNEXED PROPERTY FROM YORK TOWNSHIP TO THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, SANDUSKY COUNTY, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**Ordinance No. 16-21 was given its first reading:** AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE COMMUNITY HOUSING IMPACT AND PRESERVATION 2021 JOINT COOPERATING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BELLEVUE AND SANDUSKY COUNTY AND TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE MAYOR OF BELLEVUE TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion was made by Mr. Brugnone to suspend the rules and give Ordinance No. 16-21 its second and third readings by title only, and as an emergency. The motion was seconded by Mr. Baker. A vote was taken. Motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

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Motion was made by Mr. Brugnone to adopt Ordinance No. 16-21, and as an emergency. It was seconded by Mrs. Ommert. A vote was taken. Motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

**Resolution No. R-2-21 was given its third reading by title only:** A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE NECESSITY FOR THE RENEWAL OF A ONE (1) MILL LEVY FOR PARKS AND RECREATION PURPOSES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion was made by Mr. Hill to adopt Resolution No. R-2-21, and as an emergency. It was seconded by Mr. Brugnone. A vote was taken. Motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

**Ordinance No. 13-21 was given its second reading by title only:** AN ORDINANCE ZONING A PARCEL OF LAND OWNED BY STEPHEN AND ROBIN ROTH, THEREBY AMENDING THE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE.

CLOSING REMARKS:

**Mayor Strecker** thanked the Boy Scouts for attending the meeting tonight.

**President Smith** thanked everyone for attending and called for a motion to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Brugnone and seconded by Mr. Waldrup. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Ronald Smith**  
**President of Council**

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**Rhonda R. Soper**  
**Clerk of Council**