

**MINUTES FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING
July 26, 2021**

A Public Hearing was held on Monday, July 26, 2021, at 7:15 p.m., to discuss Ordinance No. 18-21.

Time was given for discussion of the ordinance. No comments were made by citizens.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 26, 2021**

Bellevue City Council met on Monday, July 26, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, a prayer was offered by Pastor Bryan Niebanck of Zion United Church of Christ Fireside. Council persons present: MR. BAKER, MR. BRUGNONE, MS. DOWNING, MR. HILL, MS. OMMERT, and MR. WALDRUP.

The minutes of the July 12, 2021 City Council meeting were presented for approval. Mr. Baker inquired if Ordinance No. 19-21 passed as an emergency. It was noted that it did not have the emergency language and was not passed as an emergency. The minutes will be revised to reflect that. Motion was made by Mr. Brugnone to approve the minutes as revised. It was seconded by Mrs. Ommert. All were in favor. The minutes are approved as revised.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS:

Mayor Strecker Introduced Brian Roth and presented him with a City of Bellevue Celebration of Service Award. He defined citizenship as citizens who exceed their duties and obligations and stated that Brian truly represents Bellevue and we want to recognize him for his extraordinary leadership and dedicated service to our four county area.

He invited everyone to a National Purple Heart Day ceremony and celebration on August 7 at 6:00 p.m. at the Fallen Soldiers Memorial. They will be honoring the Purple Heart recipients and wounded combat veterans from our area. There will be a concert starring Ricky Lee at 7:30 p.m. at the Eagles parking lot to honor all of our hometown heroes including our first responders, essential employees, and healthcare workers for all their service during the pandemic.

On August 6, 7, and 8, there will be a City-wide garage sale. Information is on the City website.

There will be a first annual "Christmas in July" on July 31 at Central Park. There will be food vendors, live music and more.

The Mad River & NKP Railroad Museum will host their 15th annual Car & Truck Show on September 4 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Railroad Museum. There will be door prizes and Miller's Drive-In will be providing food.

The annual Committee to Grow Bellevue's Open-Air Markets will begin Thursday, July 29, and go through Thursday, August 26. He distributed flyers advertising the events. He thanked Sue Roth for all her service with the Committee and for her service weeding and watering the plants downtown.

President Smith congratulated Brian Roth for his Citizen's Award and for all he does to help Bellevue.

Auditor, Mr. Smith, distributed information regarding the status of budgeted capital expenditures through June 30, 2021.

Treasurer, Mr. Freitag, followed up with the delinquent letters that were sent out in the middle of July to citizens who did not file their income taxes. Over 2200 letters were sent out. If citizens have any questions, they can contact RITA.

Law Director, Mr. Wallingford, stated that Resolution No. R-8-21 is ready to add to the agenda regarding rates and levies for 2022. It can be added to the next agenda by a motion and vote, or if desired, the Budget & Finance Committee could schedule a meeting prior to the next Council meeting where the Resolution can be discussed, voted to be taken out of Committee, and added to the agenda.

The Planning Commission met last Wednesday and sent a letter approving the amendment to the zoning code for a medical marijuana dispensary. Ordinance No. 23-21 has been prepared regarding this. This will involve publication of a Notice of Public Hearing advertised in The Hub. He suggested the schedule to be as follows: August 9, 2021 for the first reading of the Ordinance. Second reading will be on August 23. The Public Hearing will be held on September 13 and the third and final reading and vote will occur that night after the public hearing. The advertisement can be published either the 5th or the 12th and we have notified them that it is coming. During the President's report a motion can be passed to advertise the public hearing in The Hub for September 13, 2021 at 7:15 p.m.

He has prepared Ordinance No. 24-21 regarding property that the City is purchasing on 206 and 208 Center Street. He has been working with Mr. Sabo, Auditor, Mr. Smith, Mr. Scagnetti, President Smith and Mr. Miller on this, and it is now ready for Council. The ordinance could be added by motion to the agenda for our next meeting. All the back taxes have been paid, the mowing assessment has been removed, and it is ready to go.

REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mr. Baker stated that he has been impressed with other cities who have electronic signs to read as you drive through. They advertise what is happening in their respective cities. It may be something for Bellevue to think about.

He inquired about Bellevue acquiring new sirens. Mr. Lantz stated that we have the ability to get at least one this year.

Mr. Hill stated that Amy Palsa at the Rec Center is hosting a Back to School Bash on August 21 from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. There will be games, bouncy houses, nerf wars, food trucks, and lots of fun. Cameo Pizza will be serving pizza at Robert Peters Park from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. and fireworks will follow.

They are pleased with how the swimming pool is doing this summer. There are a few issues with the pool that will require some decisions by the Rec Board.

They have ten weeks of summer camps for kids. Each week has a different theme.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: None.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Smith stated that Mr. Shepherd is excused tonight.

At the next City Council meeting on August 9, there will be an Executive Session directly following the closing comments and afterward they will return to the regular City Council meeting only to adjourn. Attorney Peter Sackett will be in attendance to discuss union contracts.

A motion to add Ordinance No. 24-21 to the agenda for August 9, 2021 was made by Mr. Baker. It was seconded by Mr. Brugnone. A vote was taken and passed by the vote 6-0.

A motion to add Resolution No. R-8-21 to the agenda for August 9, 2021 was made by Mr. Hill. It was seconded by Mr. Brugnone. A vote was taken and passed by the vote 6-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Brugnone to publish a Notice of Public Hearing regarding a medical marijuana dispensary. It was seconded by Mrs. Ommert. Motion passed by the vote 6-0,

LEGISLATION:

Resolution No. R-7-21 was given its second reading by title only: A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE ERIE COUNTY NATURAL HAZARDS MITIGATION PLAN.

Motion was made by Mr. Brugnone to give Resolution No. R-7-21 its third and final reading by title only. It was seconded by Mr. Waldrup. Motion passed by the vote 6-0.

Resolution No. R-7-21 was given its third and final reading by title only: A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE ERIE COUNTY NATURAL HAZARDS MITIGATION PLAN.

Motion was made by Mr. Brugnone to adopt Resolution No. R-7-21. It was seconded by Mr. Waldrup. Motion passed by the vote 6-0.

Ordinance No. 22-21 was given its second reading by title only: AN ORDINANCE ZONING A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED AT 798 WEST MAIN STREET, BELLEVUE, SANDUSKY COUNTY, OHIO.

Ordinance No. 18-21 was given its third and final reading by title only: AN ORDINANCE RE-ZONING PARCELS OF LAND INVOLVED IN THE PLAT OF INLOT NO. 2293 OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, SANDUSKY COUNTY, OHIO, THEREBY AMENDING THE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE

Motion was made by Mr. Hill to adopt Ordinance No. 18-21. It was seconded by Mrs. Ommert. A vote was taken and passed by the vote 6-0.

CLOSING REMARKS:

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

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Smith
President of Council

Rhonda R. Soper
Clerk of Council