

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
June 12, 2023

Bellevue City Council met on Monday, June 12, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, a prayer was offered by Pastor and Council President, Ronald Smith. Council members present: MR. BAKER, MS. DOWNING, MR. HILL, MR. SHEPHERD, MR. WALDRUP and MR. WYNBISSINGER. Mrs. Ommert was absent.

Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of May 22, 2023 were presented for approval. A motion was made by Mr. Waldrup to approve the minutes as written. It was seconded by Ms. Downing. The minutes were approved as written.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS:

Mayor Strecker welcomed Vickie Dauch, filling in for Clerk of Council, Mrs. Soper.

Mayor Strecker announced there will be a Concert in the Park on June 16th 7-9 p.m.

Fireworks are set for July 7th at Robert Peters Park, with July 8th as a rain date. There will be face painting, food trucks, and games.

A representative of the Sandusky County Visitors Bureau will be at the next meeting.

Auditor, Patrick Smith, passed out year-to-date Financial Summaries and Revenues for review.

Treasurer, Dave Freitag, reported that he will represent the City at the Regional Council of Government coming up. This will be the first live meeting since 2019.

REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mr. Shepherd reported he has talked to Mr. Cmar regarding chickens and changing the zoning law. He also has had discussions on the recycling bins and placement of them.

Mr. Hill complimented the Rec Center and Mayor Strecker for information on all the programs. There are summer camps with waiting lists on many of them. Mr. Hill also reported there is an issue with the pool losing some water. The pool is from the 1960's. He thanked the Bellevue Eagles for putting on the fishing rodeo.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mr. Waldrup reported that the Budget and Finance Committee met prior to the Council meeting tonight to discuss Ordinance No. 18-23.

President Smith stated that a **Council of the Whole work session will be held** on Monday, June 26, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. with a representative from the Sandusky County Tourism Bureau.

Streets and Sidewalks – A paving list is not available yet.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Patti Gray, 252 Gunther Street, stated that the 10th anniversary of the Library parking lot is on June 17th at 10-2. She is speaking on behalf of her neighbors and was wondering the status of Gunther Street gas, water, and paving. She also stated there is a problem with racoons and wanted to know how to handle it.

Teri Fields, 220 North Sandusky Street, stated that the recycling bins have been placed in her neighborhood and they are in the wrong spot. They are noisy and disruptive. She also stated there are 6 large sink holes between here and Burger King on the bike path. She said there is lack of empathy regarding the dumpsters.

Lori McCauley, 131 Green Street, stated that she is concerned about the placement of the dumpsters, the junk, and the loud noise. She heard someone on June 2 at 3 a.m. picking up the dumpsters.

Jeff Haughawout, 108 Arlington Drive, stated he was walking around the pond during the Fishing Rodeo and noticed that the fountain is missing. Also there is a vulgar sign posted in a yard on Monroe Street.

Carlos Keller, 527 North Sandusky Street, stated that they are thinking of the future concerning the dumpsters and are worried some day they could find a dead body in one of them.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Smith urged consideration of passage of Ordinance 16-23 regarding CHIP. The City has been a part of it since 1984. The deadline for it is Thursday. It covers a 2-year period and costs nothing to be a part of. Safety-Service Director Brugnone gave an explanation of the program. Treasurer Freitag further explained that a lot of the elderly use the program.

There is a petition regarding chickens that was presented to Mr. Wynbissinger and turned over to Safety-Service Director, Mr. Brugnone. It will be given to the Planning Commission

President Smith gave information about an upcoming Family Christian Movie.

LEGISLATION:

Ordinance No. 17-23 was given its first reading. AN ORDINANCE RE-ZONING A PARCEL OF LAND OWNED BY AEGLOS ENTERPRISES LLC, THEREBY AMENDING THE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE OF THE CITY OF BELLEVE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Law Director David Wallingford noted that this Ordinance will need 3 readings along with a Public Hearing. This is the former Gordon Lumber property.

Ordinance No. 18-23 was given its first reading. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2023 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE NO. 5-23, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

A motion was made by Mr. Baker to suspend the rules and give Ordinance No. 18-23 its second and third readings by title only. It was seconded by Mr. Hill. The motion passed by a vote of 6-0, and as an emergency.

Ordinance No. 18-23 was given its second and third reading by title only. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2023 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE NO. 5-23, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

A motion was made by Mr. Baker, and seconded by Mr. Wynbissinger, to adopt Ordinance No. 18-23. The motion passed by a vote of 6-0, and as an emergency.

Ordinance No. 15-23 was given its second reading: AN ORDINANCE REVISING THE SALARY AND BENEFITS OF FULL-TIME NON-UNION EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, OHIO, THEREBY REPLACING ANY AND ALL PREVIOUS ORDINANCES OR RESOLUTIONS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE PREVIOUS ORDINANCE NO. 6-14, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Ordinance No. 16-23 was given its second reading: AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE COMMUNITY HOUSING IMPACT AND PRESERVATION 2023 JOINT COOPERATING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BELLEUE AND SANDUSKY COUNTY AND TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE MAYOR OF BELLEVUE TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

A motion was made by Mr. Shepherd to suspend the rules and give Ordinance No. 16-23 its third reading by title only. It was seconded by Ms. Downing. The motion passed 6-0, and as an emergency.

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A motion was made by Mr. Shepherd to adopt Ordinance No. 16-23, and as an emergency. It was seconded by Ms. Downing. The motion passed 6-0.

CLOSING REMARKS:

Safety-Service Director, Mr. Brugnone, thanked Council for passing Ordinance No. 16-23.

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Shepherd. It was seconded by Mr. Waldrup. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Smith
President of Council

Vickie Dauch, for Rhonda R. Soper
Clerk of Council