

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 22, 2024**

Bellevue City Council met on Monday, July 22, 2024, 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, MR. BURKHART, MR. HILL, MS. MUNIZ, MRS. OMMERT, and MR. WYNBISSINGER. Mr. Shepherd was not in attendance.

Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of July 8, 2024, were presented for approval. A motion was made by Mr. Baker to approve the minutes as written. It was seconded by Mr. Wynbissinger. The minutes are approved as written.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS:

Mayor Strecker thanked Bone Boys BBQ & Catering for sponsoring the concert at Central Park last Saturday. The Eagles will be sponsoring a concert at Central Park on September 28, 2024, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Rumours (a Fleetwood Mac tribute band) will be performing. The planning committee is already starting plans for Bellevue's Christmas events.

The third annual Community Pep Rally with the Bellevue High School band, cheerleaders and student athletes, will take place on August 8, 2024, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The Bellevue Historical Society will have their sunflower sale on Saturday, July 27, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Safety-Service Director, Mr. Brugnone, distributed a list of streets that the Street Department will be working on. Bids are going out soon for the street work and the City Offices parking lot.

REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mr. Hill stated that he and Mr. Burkhardt are both very excited about the streets that are being repaired in their area.

COOMMITTEE REPORTS:

President Smith scheduled a Committee of the Whole work session for Monday, August 12, 2024, at 7:15 p.m., to discuss the North Central EMS contract.

He then welcomed Raymond Parker, President of the Bellevue Area Tourism and Visitor's Bureau, who distributed brochures and booklets with articles about Bellevue, some of which were: Hospitality Magazine, Shores and Islands Play & Stay, and the Sandusky County Community Guide. Also distributed was a copy of their budget for the period October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024.

Mr. Parker described some of the articles in the magazines. He was asked to write an article about Bellevue for Hospitality Magazine, which is a magazine mostly for the western United States. They requested some pictures and an ad and he submitted them. His article

was chosen to print. Now people all over the US can become more familiar with Bellevue and what we have to offer. Plans for this year are also being discussed. Marketing for 2025 will be done August through October.

They had an audit for 2022-2023 and passed with flying colors. The next audit will be for 2023-2024.

Businesses that donated solar eclipse glasses were given ads in the publications of their choice.

Their web page was hacked and they are currently restoring it.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Patti Gray, 252 Gunther Street, gave praise to Mayor Strecker, Marianne Daniels, Chuck Daniels, and all others who had visions and continues to have visions of what Central Park can be for our community. It is a great place for residents, former residents, and visitors to make lasting memories by participating in the activities there. We are blessed to have this beautiful park and to have the people who saw its potential.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Smith stated that Mr. Wallingford, Mr. Freitag, and Mr. Shepherd were all excused tonight. Mayor Strecker provided us with copies of the new North Central EMS contract to review and discuss at our Committee of the Whole work session scheduled for 7:15 p.m. before our next Council meeting. He then turned the time over to Council Clerk, Mrs. Soper, for tonight's legislation.

LEGISLATION:

Resolution No. R-6-24 was given its first reading: A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR.

CLOSING REMARKS: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Muniz. It was seconded by Mrs. Ommert. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Smith
President of Council

Rhonda R. Soper
City Council Clerk