

# The 'Vue News



CITY OF BELLEVUE

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**December  
2024** (year in  
review)

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Director

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Council President

**Ronald Smith**

Judge

**David Claus**

**American Baler Co.** – Established in Bellevue in 1945 and is considered one of the most respected baler manufacturers in the world. American Baler has begun work on a 13,000 square foot manufacturing facility addition on the E. Center St. location. Along with some upgrades to their office area, they will be hiring 10 employees.

**Forget Me Not Flowers & Gifts** – They moved to their new location at 221 E. Main St. at end of October. This is the former home of Firelands Federal Credit Union.

**Midtown Collaborative & Event Room** – Located at 221 E. Main St. will have space available to the public for meetings, parties, business seminars, employee training etc. That meeting space is located on the second floor of the building with an ADA accessible elevator. The first floor also has meeting space with large conference table, coffee area and seating area.

**City Recycling** – This city-wide service is being offered to residents. The bins located in the city-owned parking lot on the corner of N. Sandusky and Green streets. Paper, plastics, metal cans & cups, glass bottles & jars, and cartons can be dropped off and placed in the appropriate bins. No trash is allowed.

**Little Italy** – Little Italy started up operations after some time off. They are located at 325 E. Center St., and folks can once again enjoy all their favorite Italian dishes.

**ABC Technologies** – This company recently purchased the Windsor Mold companies and two of them here in Bellevue. Autoplas, 560 Goodrich Rd. is now ABC Technologies, Plant 1 and Precision Automotive, 122 Hirt Dr. is now ABC Technologies, Plant 2. Both companies continue to make injection molding parts for the auto industry including GMC, Ford, Toyota, Tesla, and others.

**Gigi's Tacos & Margaritas** – Opened in the former Benchwarmer building on Main St. They serve tacos, quesadillas, soups and salads. They also have a kid's menu and traditional Mexican desserts.

**EPC Inc** – Engineered Plastic Components, this auto industry supplier is adding on to the facility with a 50,000sf addition. With that they will be hiring an additional 77 employees over the next several years. EPC is located on St Rt 269 S across the road from Autokiniton.

**YOUUnique Wellness Center** – They recently purchased the former American Legion buildings just west of their current location. John Doyle and David Vickery have some exciting new ideas for expansion into those two spaces. Their holistic ways of healing have been very well accepted by many and we look with anticipation the additions coming.

## Jungle Junction Indoor Play & Party Center

Did you know that the Jungle Junction Play & Party Center is the largest indoor playground in Ohio.

Hours:

Sunday - 12 – 6pm

Monday – Closed

Tuesday – 11 – 6pm

Wednesday – Closed

Thursday – 11 – 6pm

Friday – 11 – 6pm

Saturday – 12-6pm

Plan your children's birthday party at Jungle Junction.

For ages under 12 years old

Socks must be worn at all times.



**Norfolk Southern** – The city was presented a check from Will Miller, Atlanta office, in the amount of \$472,450. This money will be used to address the flooding issues plaguing the railroad viaduct for the past 25 years plus. Thanks to several folks at city hall, this was a win-win situation for both the city and NS. As with all major projects, there is planning, designs, changes, and approval before the work begins. With most of the paperwork now complete, the city anticipates that work will begin 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2025.

**Cloud Nine Tobacco & Vape** -Recently opened at 219 W Main St. Unit D (Marco's plaza).

**Betsey's Boutique Shop** – Is now located (formerly in Monroeville) at 120 E Main St. Owner Kate Herring remodeled the former Candy Depot location. Check out all the women's fashion at Betsey's.

**Robert Peters Park** – The city applied for a grant through the Great Lakes Community Action Partnership (GLCAP) office for the Robert Peters Park. The city was awarded a grant for \$100,000. Rec Director Amy Palsa will be putting some of that money to update the walking track in the park.

In addition, Amy was able to secure many donations to upgrade the playground area. The playground opened to the kids in October to rave reviews.

**HRC Cheesecakes** – Tenesha Hartley opened her new store in downtown Bellevue located at 119 E. Main St. All her cakes are made from scratch and she has over 120 names tags with cheesecake flavors. Some of her popular flavors are peanut butter, strawberry shortcake and lemon blueberry.

**Four County Veterinary Services** – Dr. Jennifer Kinney moved to her new location west of town in the Bellevue Family Dentistry building on Progress Dr.



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**City of Bellevue** – Received the Public-Private Partnership Award at the annual Huron County Growth Partnership Network After Work event. Due to our negotiation and partnership with Norfolk Southern for the grant received for improvements to the railroad viaduct, the HCGP recognized the city for that.

The city also completed a total rehab of the parking lot which was in dire need of improvements. New surface with plenty of parking and was designed with ADA specifications in mind. It also features a drive-up utility payment drop box, so folks do not have to get out of their vehicles especially during inclement weather.