

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

August 25, 2025

Bellevue City Council met on Monday, August 25, 2025, at 7:30 p.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, a prayer was offered by Mayor Kevin Strecker. Council members present: MR. BURKHART, MR. HILL, MS. MUNIZ, MRS. OMMERT, MR. SHEPHERD and MR. WYNBISSINGER. Mr. Baker was excused.

Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of August 11, 2025 were presented for approval. A motion was made by Mr. Wynbissinger to approve the minutes as written. It was seconded by Mrs. Ommert. All were in favor. The minutes are approved as written.

President Smith mentioned that although tonight's agenda states that Tim Bergman, representing GLCAP, would be in attendance tonight, he will be attending the September 22, 2025 Council meeting and address Council at that time.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS:

Safety-Service Director, Mr. Brugnone, stated that 12.4 tons of recycling was done during the month of July.

Auditor, Mr. Smith stated that he received correspondence from the office of the Sandusky County Commissioners stating that there is a provision in the state budget that counties can elect, by Commissioner's resolution, to increase the homestead exemption amount. Passing the resolution will give additional relief to qualified seniors, permanently and totally disabled homeowners, and some surviving spouses. The average savings would be about \$375.00 per year. They would like our thoughts regarding this. He checked with the Sandusky County Auditor and it was determined that the impact on Bellevue's budget would be a reduction in revenue of just over \$12,000.00.

REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mr. Wynbissinger stated that it is nice to see the resource officer on duty at the elementary school.

Mr. Hill inquired how the Rt. 20 project is going and if we are we behind schedule. Safety-Service Director, Mr. Brugnone, stated that we are not behind schedule. It is moving along and s soon as the sides are finished and the work starts in the middle, it will progress more swiftly.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mrs. Ommert stated that a Budget & Finance Committee meeting was held tonight at 7:15 p.m. to discuss the amended 2025 budget. The corresponding Ordinance No. 16-25 is on the agenda tonight.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: None.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Smith stated that Mr. Baker is excused tonight.

He stated that he received a letter from the Planning Commission regarding a meeting they held on August 22, 2025 where they discussed plat changes for Outlots 152 and 150, and establishing new inlots for nine former condominium owners. During the Planning Commission meeting, a motion was made to recommend seeking the approval of the Bellevue City Council for re-platting portions of Outlots 152 and 150. It was voted on and unanimously approved. Ordinance No. 15-25 regarding this is on the agenda tonight.

He received a card from the Holiday House team thanking him for Council's donations for cookies at the Fall Festival. They also thanked Council members for all they do for the community.

He then turned the time over to Law Director, Mr. Wallingford, for tonight's legislation.

LEGISLATION:

Law Director, Mr. Wallingford, stated that Resolution R-8-25 was submitted to Council by the County Auditor. It is an annual resolution for the Budget Commission to authorize the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor.

Resolution No. R-8-25 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.

Ordinance No. 15-25 was given its first reading: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE RE-PLAT OF PORTIONS OF BELLEVUE CITY OUTLOTS 152 AND 150, SANDUSKY COUNTY, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

A motion was made by Mr. Wymbissinger to suspend the rules and give Ordinance No. 15-25 its second and third readings by title only, and declaring an emergency. It was seconded by Mr. Burkhart. A vote was taken and passed by the vote 6-0.

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A motion was made by Mr. Wymbissinger to adopt Ordinance No. 15-25, and as an emergency. It was seconded by Mr. Hill. A vote was taken and the motion passed by the vote 6-0.

Ordinance No. 16-25 was given its first reading: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE NO. 3-25, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

A motion was made by Mr. Hill to suspend the rules and give Ordinance No. 16-25 its second and third readings by title only, and declaring an emergency. It was seconded by Mr. Wynbissinger. A vote was taken and passed by the vote 6-0.

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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE NO. 3-25, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

A motion was made by Mrs. Ommert to adopt Ordinance No. 16-25, and as an emergency. It was seconded by Ms. Muniz. A vote was taken and the motion passed by the vote 6-0.

CLOSING REMARKS:

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

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Smith
President of Council

Rhonda R. Soper
City Council Clerk