

**BELLEFONTAINE CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2024  
7:30 pm**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Zeb Wagner  
**PLEDGE & INVOCATION:**  
**ROLL CALL:** Reser *First Chair*  
Springs  
Aler - absent  
Baker  
Davis  
Fitzpatrick  
James *Minister*

*Motion to excuse the absence of Mr. Aler moved by Springs, seconded by Fitzpatrick* V Ayes

**SUSPENSION READING OF MINUTES:** Moved by Springs, seconded by James V Ayes

**CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONS:** none

**ADMINISTRATION REPORTS:**

**Mayor -** Asks for a vote on two committee appointments, Davey Roberts for a 3 year term on the Parks Commission and Barbara South for a 3 year term on the Shade Tree Commission.

*Motion to appoint Davey Roberts to a 3 year term on the Parks Commission moved by Springs, seconded by Davis* V Ayes

*Motion to appoint Barbara South to a 3 year term on the Shade Tree Commission moved by Baker, seconded by Reser* V Ayes

Two weeks ago the tornado went through the Indian Lake area. Our Fire Department responded that night with a crew and 3 trucks along with the Police Department to help with search and rescue. Our city was still covered with our safety crews. Mr. Dodds also went with loaders from the Street Department crews to help out until 2:00 am. The city employees have been putting in time on their days off to help. Our city employees are great people and we should be proud.

**S/SD -** Echoes the comments of the Mayor on our staff and their response to the disaster at Indian Lake. Our staff are exceptional people and we should be proud of their willingness to help out. Our Fire and Police Departments spent many hours and will still continue to help.

We are two weeks out from the eclipse event on April 8<sup>th</sup>. Handed out a copy of the Downtown Business Partnerships proposed lay out for their downtown event (copy att to clerk's official minutes). The event will start on Saturday at 9:00 am and go through Monday night on the east side of Main Street. Encourages all local residents to make preparations beforehand as there could be shortages. All of our safety forces will be at full staff.

**Law -** No report

**Auditor-** No report

**Police Chief -** Not present

**Fire Chief -** No report

**Engineer-** Speaks to three pieces of legislation on the agenda this evening. Ordinance 24-26 to add a section of code to address portable storage units. Ordinance 24-27 reemphasizing our fees for our zoning certificates. R24-29 concerning the owners, who are present this evening, who are trying to revamp the building by City Sweets to make it ADA accessible with a ramp.

**Parks & Rec-** Not present

**Economic Dev-** Not present

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

**Finance –** Explains resolution and ordinances on the agenda.

**Rules -** Explains ordinances on the agenda.

**Safety -** Explains resolution on the agenda.

**Utilities -** No report

**Streets -** Explains resolution on the agenda.

**Sidewalks, Curbs & Parks** -Explains resolution on the agenda.

**Audit** – No report

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS:** Bryce Penhorwood, 1537 St. Rt. 292, Zanesfield, Ohio, here to address R24-29 as the owner of the property. Significant improvements have been made to the property and are going through the architectural plans and drawings with hope to start construction soon. The last hurdle is the improvement of the ramp to make it ADA compliant. Questions answered.

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:**

**1. ORDINANCES FOR 1ST READING**

R24-25 A. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF BAILIFF OF THE BELLEFONTAINE MUNICIPAL COURT TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT A FIREHOUSE SUBS GRANT FOR BALLISTIC WINDOWS.  
**FINANCE**

Adoption- Moved by Baker, seconded by Springs V Ayes

24-26 B. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1133.02, ACCESSORY BUILDINGS IN R DISTRICTS, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO, ADDING SECTION 1133.02(g) TEMPORARY STORAGE CONTAINERS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.  
**RULES**

3RR- Moved by James, seconded by Springs V Ayes  
Passage-  
Adoption-

24-27 C. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1127, ENFORCEMENT AND VIOLATIONS, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO, ADDING 1127.09 FEES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.  
**RULES**

3RR- Moved by James, seconded by Springs V Ayes  
Passage-  
Adoption-

R24-28 D. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE LOGAN COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE REGARDING PARTICIPATION IN CANINE RESPONSE.  
**SAFETY**

Adoption- Moved by Reser, seconded by James V Ayes

R24-29 E. A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE PERMITTING CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY LOCATED AT 214 S. MAIN ST., IN THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO.  
**STREETS**

Adoption- Moved by Reser, seconded by Fitzpatrick V Ayes, James abstain  
Re:family involvement

R24-30 F. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE BELLEFONTAINE JOINT RECREATION DISTRICT TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMUNITY PARK RECREATION/CONSERVATION PROJECT PASS-THROUGH GRANT THROUGH THE STATE OF OHIO, DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR THE

BELLEFONTAINE BLUE JACKET PARK.

**SIDEWALKS, CURBS & PARKS**

Adoption- Moved by Davis, seconded by Fitzpatrick V Ayes

**2. ORDINANCES FOR 2ND READING**

**3. ORDINANCES FOR 3RD READING**

24-16 A. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH PRESCRIPTION BLISS LLC FOR PRESCRIPTION ASSISTANCE SERVICES TO CERTAIN CITY EMPLOYEES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**FINANCE**

Adoption- Moved by Baker, seconded by Springs V Ayes

24-18 B. AN ORDINANCE MAKING PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**FINANCE**

Adoption- Moved by Baker, seconded by Springs V Ayes

24-19 C. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH PRIORITY POWER MANAGEMENT, LLC FOR ELECTRIC AND NATURAL GAS AGGREGATION SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**FINANCE**

Adoption- Moved by Baker, seconded by Springs V Ayes

24-20 D. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1147.01(a) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO, B-2 DOWNTOWN BUSINESS DISTRICT, PRINCIPAL PERMITTED USES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**RULES**

Adoption- Moved by James, seconded by Springs V Ayes

24-21 E. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1145.01(a) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO, B-1 NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DISTRICT, PRINCIPAL PERMITTED USES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**RULES**

Adoption- Moved by James, seconded by Springs V Ayes

24-22 F. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 1149.01(a) AND (d) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO, B-3 GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT, PRINCIPAL PERMITTED USES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**RULES**

Adoption- Moved by James, seconded by Springs V Ayes

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM CLERK:** none

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL:** Mrs. Fitzpatrick, on behalf of the Farmer's Market is looking forward to opening day on May 4<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am to noon every Saturday from May through September. There is a new market manager, Sandy Scott and assistant manager Ashley Vicario Holcamp.

*President Wagner gives a reminder that Ethics Disclosures are due on May 15<sup>th</sup>.*

**ADJOURNMENT** – 7:49 pm moved by Springs, seconded by Fitzpatrick