

**BELLEFONTAINE CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, MAY 22, 2018
7:30 pm**

CALL TO ORDER: Zebulon Wagner

PLEDGE & INVOCATION:

President Wagner reviews rules of decorum asking that hats be removed and that the gallery remain quiet.

ROLL CALL: Hager *First Chair*

Lile

Springs

Baker

DeSomma

Hadley

Minister

All Present

SUSPENSION READING OF MINUTES: Moved by Hager, seconded by Lile

V All Ayes

CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONS: none

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS:

Mayor -

Shares a statement stating that the last major improvement to our downtown took place in 1976. Many changes have taken place in the last 42 years. The mature streetscape of downtown will continue to need our oversight and constant consideration given today's robust business atmosphere. There have been recent concerns voiced to the administration to take a sidewalk section on the west side of the courthouse. It would essentially have the sidewalk resume it's original width and allow for 7 additional parking spaces. While this design was presented to the Shade Tree Commission, due to the removal of 2 locust trees, it remains just a draft design. It is the opinion of this administration to table any such plans that involve that portion of sidewalk. We will continue to encourage the development of our downtown area and work closely with business owners to meet the needs of their patrons. This can do attitude is what has enabled us to reach this milestone in our towns history.

Pleased to announce that the court house project is moving at a much improved pace. Fencing has been removed, gravel ramps will soon be removed and then they will hydro seed the

lawn.

S/SD -

An update on the car wash property that the city closed on on May 11th, includes allowing the previous owner family to remove personal property. They have made great progress and we anticipate having the property vacated shortly. Wishes Law Director Stolly a happy birthday.

Law -

Good news to the city, a decision was received from the Common Pleas Court, concerning the public nuisance on W. Sandusky Ave. The court has ruled in favor of the city, and will be setting a hearing in 10 days to determine the next step. At this point the city is looking to have a receiver appointed to rehab the property and put this public nuisance back to public use.

Ordinance 18-43 for first reading is amending a street vacation from 2017 and is a clean up of some

references for purposes of getting the vacation right- of- way on public record. Asks if it pleases the Street Committee to get this passed on first and final reading.

Auditor -

On Monday a clean audit notification was received by email. The completion date for the audit is August 27th. Any question please see Mr. Reser.

Police Chief -

Congratulates Mr. Stolly on the success of the Sandusky Commons case.

Officer Simpson is back on full duty and doing well.

Thanks all who attended the Police Memorial last weekend. Dispatcher Krista McDonald's name has been added to the National EMS Memorial Wall in Washington DC. Hardin County Fire Service escorted her family to the ceremony.

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Last Saturday the Bike Rodeo was held. The next Community Outreach will be this Thursday 5:00-7:00 at Community Market.

Asks that all be cautious and vigilant with school being out.

Calvary Christian DARE Graduation was held today and 5th grade at BCS was last week.

Participated in Capital Hill meetings last week concerning the coalition against bigger trucks. If this issue is passed more damage can be expected to our infrastructure, bridges, curbs and sidewalks. Questions answered.

Fire Chief - No report
Engineer- Seeking bids on a bridge replacement on Eastern Ave. Bids are due in two weeks.
Tax Dept- Absent
Utility Dept- Absent
Code Enf- Absent
Economic Dev- No report
DP&L- No report

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Rules - Explained ordinances on the agenda. Congratulates Mr. Stolly on his accomplishment with Sandusky Commons Apartments.
Finance - Explained resolutions and ordinances on the agenda
Utilities - No report
Safety - No report
Streets - Explained ordinances on the agenda
Sidewalks, Curbs & Parks –No report
Audit – No report

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS: Bruce Davenport, 300 N. Detroit, Apartment A, asking for a copy of the report from Mr. Dodds, by tomorrow. Mr. Henry replies to his request that the report is still in progress.

Kristen Lane, 128 Bell Pines, here to oppose the ordinance requiring citizens to install sidewalks.

Deven Palmer, 1612 White Pines, here to oppose the ordinance requiring citizens to install sidewalks and hands out to Council and Administration, a list of signatures also opposing the same.

Mr. Notestine addresses their concerns stating that numerous discussion occurred to get this resolved. Letters weresent to everyone involved. He agrees that Buckeye Links should be the one to do sidewalks but could not get them to do so. He adds that Buckeye Links has only two (2) of the parcels and twenty-five (25) commitments were received. He assures that all work would be professionally done. Questions answered.

AmyHarshfield, 1705 White Pines, here to oppose the ordinance requiring citizens to install sidewalks, and also concerned about the lack of speed limit/children at play signs and the speeding traffic in her neighborhood.

Deb Shellhaas, 510 Dakota, here to oppose additional parking spaces being added in front of the Logan County Courthouse.

Joanne Ritter, 227OmahaRd., here to oppose additional parking spaces being added in front of the Logan County Courthouse.

Sherry Wilkins, 825 Ludlow Road, here to oppose the addition of parking spaces in front of the Logan County Courthouse.

At this time President Wagner reminds all that the Mayor issued a statement at this meeting tabling this issue.

Nancy Thunderberg, 401 Whitview Dr., here to oppose the additional parking spaces in front of the Court House. Also asks that municipal parking lots have better signage with the monthly parking clearly marked to help find a better parking solution for downtown.

Jacob Shroeder, 804 Wedgewood, as an owner of a business downtown here to support the additional parking as the plans will enhance the Logan County Courthouse that sits high enough to still be completely visible. He suggests better signage for the municipal parking lots, raise fees for street parking and make parking free in the downtown lots. He also encourages Council members to stop in and talk with business owners to hear their concerns and needs.

Adam Brannon, 317 E. Williams, here to discuss the parking issues. He states that seven (7) additional spaces are not a lot of help to downtown, but instead consider improving the alley way to the municipal lot. He also suggests changing the spaces that are side parking to angled parking.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

1. ORDINANCES FOR 1ST READING

R18-41 A. A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE LOGAN COUNTY NATURAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN OF MARCH 15, 2018 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DISATER MITIGATION ACT OF 2000. **FINANCE**

Adoption- Moved by Baker, seconded by Springs V All Ayes

R18-42 B. A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION OF THE BELLEFONTAINE JOINT RECREATION DISTRICT TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR FUNDING THROUGH THE NATUREWORKS GRANT PROGRAM FOR IMPROVEMENTS AT RUTAN PARK. **FINANCE**

Adoption- Moved by Baker, seconded by Springs V All Ayes

18-43 C. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 17-45 VACATION A CERTAIN PORTION OF THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY OF T.R.#217, LAKE TOWNSHIP, BELLEFONTAINE, LOGANCOUNTY, OHIO VMS 2873, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN SAID CITY. **STREETS**

3RR- Moved by Hadley, seconded by DeSomma V All Ayes
Passage- Moved by Hadley, seconded by DeSomma V All Ayes
Adoption- Moved by Hadley, seconded by DeSomma V All Ayes

2. ORDINANCES FOR 2ND READING

18-37 A. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RESTATING CITY ORDINANCE NO. 17-79 WHICH AMENDS AND RESTATES SECTION 351.99 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO RELATING TO PENALTIES FOR PARKING. **STREETS**

3RR- Moved by Hadley, seconded by DeSomma V All Ayes
Passage-
Adoption-

18-38 B. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RESTATING SECTION 345.08 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO RELATING TO PARKING. **STREETS**

3RR- Moved by Hadley, seconded by DeSomma V All Ayes
Passage-
Adoption-

18-39 C. AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING APPLICATION FOR ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN REAL ESTATE TO THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO, PREVIOUSLY OWNED BY LEVAN INVESTMENTS LLC, CURRENTLY OWNED BY TWO THREE DEVELOPMENT LLC, LOCATED ON COUNTY ROAD 10 ADJACENT TO THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO, CONTAINING 1.597 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO. **RULES**

3RR- Moved by Hager, seconded by Lile V All Ayes
Passage-
Adoption-

18-40 D. AN ORDINANCE VACATING AN ALLEY NORTH OF CITY LOT 2489 (424 WEST ST.) AND SOUTH OF CITY LOTS 2497-2498 (725 W. WILLIAMS) AND CITY LOTS 2499-2500 (717 W. WILLIAMS) IN THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO. **STREETS**

3RR- Moved by Hadley, seconded by DeSomma V All Ayes
Passage-
Adoption-

3. ORDINANCES FOR 3RD READING

18-35 A. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY ACTION TO CAUSE THE DEMOLITION OF MULTIPLE STRUCTURES ON CITY OWNED REAL ESTATE IMMEDIATELY WEST OF THE BELLEFONTAINE MUNICIPAL BUILDING INCLUDING SEEKING PROPOSALS AND/OR ADVERTISING BIDS AND ENTERING INTO CONTRACT WITH THE SELECTED CONTRACTOR(S) FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW & REMEDIATION AND THE DEMOLITION OF SAID STRUCTURES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO. **FINANCE**

FOR

Adoption- Moved by Baker, seconded by Springs V All Ayes

18-36 B. AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING PART 14 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO, REFERRED TO AS THE "CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE" AND REPEALING CHAPTER 1315, CHAPTER 1319, CHAPTER 557, SECTION 521.01, SECTION 521.03, SECTION 521.06, SECTION 907.09 OF SAID CODIFIED ORDINANCES RELATED TO PROPERTY MAINTENANCE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO. **RULES**

Adoption- Moved by Hager, seconded by Lile V All Ayes

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CLERK: Reminds all that there will be a hearing at the next meeting, June 12, at 7:00 pm.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL: President Wagner emailed new committee assignments to all. (Clerk has paper copies)

ADJOURNMENT – 8:37 pm

Bonnie Campbell, Clerk of Council

Zeb Wagner, President of Council