

**BELLEFONTAINE CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2020
7:30 pm**

CALL TO ORDER: Zeb Wagner
PLEDGE & INVOCATION:
ROLL CALL: Baker *First Chair*
DeSomma
James
Kurtz
Lile
Reser
Springs *Minister* All Present via ZOOM

SUSPENSION READING OF MINUTES: Moved by Springs, seconded by Kurtz V All Ayes
CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONS: none
ADMINISTRATION REPORTS:

- Mayor -** Thanks Kris Myer for his help with the live streaming and recording of the ZOOM meeting. Attended a ZOOM meeting on Saturday with Japanese officials and students from Suzuka. They are dealing with the same issues that we are currently dealing with. They also send their greetings to all. Will attend a ZOOM meeting on Monday with Lt. Governor John Husted, as one of twelve Mayors in attendance, to discuss the cross section of our communities post Covid. Paving begins tomorrow ahead of schedule. Bicentennial letters have been sent out to all council members and to some previous council and administration members as an invite to be honored at the celebration on August 29th. Although the Historic District of Bellefontaine is not built for fireworks, there will be a laser light show, food trucks, entertainment from four live groups and Sound Entertainment. The Holland Theatre is working on a back up plan for bad weather. This will be another DORA event. Safe social distancing, hand washing stands and signs will be placed around the downtown area. For those wanting to stay at home or unable to come downtown, the event will be live streamed. Questions answered.
- S/SD -** The DORA events have been received very well. Many positive remarks received from vendors and the public. No reports of problems or unruliness. Working to get better on the trash situation with additional Republic pick-ups. Recent events held include National Night Out on August 4th at Brown Park and the Citizens Police Academy. Upcoming event this Saturday, August 15th, at Southview Park from 3:00-6:00 pm with both state wide agencies, regional agencies and police departments. Downtown paving will start on W. Columbus and Main at 6:00 am tomorrow and move along as quickly as possible. The concrete apron at the city airport will start on Monday the 17th. The project had been delayed due to difficulty in finding a testing company to test the product for FAA standards. A testing company has been found and the project will take approximately two (2) weeks to complete.
- Pres Wagner-** Asks for a Planning Commission meeting report. The Mayor reports that the Planning Commission met this evening at 5:00. P. Allen Properties has applied to change their Blair Ave. property zoning from R-1 to R-3. It was voted 6-0 in favor and recommended to Council. Bellefontaine Ohio Properties, Small Nation, has asked for reconsideration of the space in front of 137-141 W. Columbus Ave. to have a covering over the outside patio space. Eight (8) letters of support accompanied the request. This also passed 6-0 in favor and recommended to Council. Mayor Stahler answers questions from Council concerning the sidewalk, which will remain the same. No balcony seating will be added and the city still retains the public right-of-way.
- Law -** No report
Auditor - Speaks to Resolution R20-52 concerning the amended increased amount received through the Corona Relief Fund of \$201,060. Defers comment of the ongoing audit to the Audit Committee, but states that it has progressed quite well.
- Police Chief -** Absent

Fire Chief - Absent
Engineer- Absent
Code Enf- Absent
Parks & Rec- Absent
Economic Dev- Absent

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Finance- Explained ordinances/resolution on the agenda
Rules- No report
Safety - No report
Utilities - No report
Streets - No report
Sidewalks, Curbs & Parks -The Park Board met on Tuesday. They have accepted a bid for the boardwalk project at Myeerah.
Audit – The audit has been completed and received from the Auditor of State.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS: A reminder from President Wagner that anyone wishing to address City Council should submit their concerns via email to the Clerk by 7:00 pm on Sunday before Council meets on Tuesday. The Clerk will forward any communications to President Wagner who will review communications for decency and decorum and present them to Council.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

1. ORDINANCES FOR 1ST READING

- 20-50 A. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SERVICE SAFETY DIRECTOR AND/OR FIRE CHIEF TO ENTER INTO A GRANT WRITING AGREEMENT, TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT 2020 ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT FUNDING FOR AN AERIAL LADDER TRUCK AND TO SEEK BIDS TO INCLUDE ESTIMATED EXPENSE NUMBERS AS PART OF SAID GRANT PROCESS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO. **FINANCE**
- 3RR- Moved by Baker, seconded by Kurtz V All Ayes
 Passage- Moved by Baker, seconded by Springs V All Ayes
 Adoption- Moved by Baker, seconded by Springs V All Ayes
- 20-51 B. AN ORDINANCE MAKING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND AMENDING THE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE FOR PURPOSES OF GENERAL FUND (MISCELLANEOUS), AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT #2 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO. **FINANCE**
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- R20-52 C. A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. R20-44 AFFIRMING THAT FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY CORONA VIRUS RELIEF DISTRIBUTION FUND WILL BE EXPENDED ONLY TO COVER COSTS OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO CONSISTENT WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 5001 OF THE CARES ACT AS DESCRIBED IN 42 U.S.C.801(D), AND ANY APPLICABLE REGULATIONS AS IS NECESSARY PURSUANT TO H.B. 481, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO. **FINANCE**

Adoption- Moved by Baker, seconded by Springs

V All Ayes

2. ORDINANCES FOR 2ND READING

20-48 A. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SERVICE SAFETY DIRECTOR AND/OR FIRE CHIEF TO ENTER INTO A GRANT WRITING AGREEMENT, TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT 2020 ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT FUNDING AND TO SEEK BIDS TO INCLUDE ESTIMATED EXPENSE NUMBERS AS PART OF SAID GRANT PROCESS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO. **FINANCE**

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3. ORDINANCES FOR 3RD READING

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CLERK: none

COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL: President Wagner puts council pictures on hold until fall, due to Corona Virus. Thanks Kris Myers and the administration for their time and efforts getting council meetings set up on ZOOM and Facebook.

ADJOURNMENT – 8:09 moved by Lile, seconded by DeSomma

Bonnie Campbell, Clerk of Council

Zeb Wagner, President of Council