

**BELLEFONTAINE CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2022
7:30 pm**

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

SUSPENSION READING OF MINUTES: Moved by Springs, seconded by Reser

CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONS: none

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS:

Mayor - RITA notices/subpoenas have been sent out. Approximately 2800 notices went out this year. Received news today that we have received State Capital grant money in the amount of \$135,000 to be used for the Blue Jacket Walking Track Project. It will be resurfaced and widened and an exercise station will be added. Bellefontaine Intermediate is looking for volunteers to mentor 3rd grade students during one lunch period per month. If interested, contact Principal Krista Adelsberger for an orientation on either September 7th or 8th. November 4th, a 1st Friday event, we will be celebrating Ohio Magazine’s tapping Bellefontaine as one of Ohio’s Best Hometowns at the Holland Theatre.

S/SD/Police Chief-Reports for Chief Standley, who was not present, that the 10th Annual Community Safety Event was a success. More than \$9000.00 was raised for the Canine Program and that amount will be matched by a local women’s group. The police department has also opened their national testing network process again to establish a new eligibility list. Individuals interested in becoming an officer should contact the police department. Applications can be completed at the National Testing website which will be open through November 23rd. There will be a tailgate party sponsored by the police department at the Bellefontaine/Ben Logan football game on September 9th from 4:30 – 6:30 pm.

S/SD The process of planning for Ohio’s Best Hometown celebration event is ongoing. Attended a round table discussion with other community members and leaders last week on the subject of homelessness. Took part in, along with Mayor Stahler, several ribbon cuts in the last two weeks. Friday, September 2nd, invites all to Richwood Bank where he will be the guest barista from 10–11:00 am.

Law - Not present
Auditor - No report
Police Chief - Not present
Fire Chief - Not present
Engineer- Not present
Parks & Rec- Not present
Economic Dev- Reminds/invites all that Thursday will be the Joint Dublin, Union, Logan Chamber Event held at Marysville Avalon Theater. Presentations include an update on the Smart Corridor with TRC, Drive Ohio and ODOT. Final registration is tomorrow morning. Downtown Bellefontaine Partnership has entered into an agreement with the Chamber to bring on a Downtown Development Director. Mickey Groves will start in this position in September where she will be planning, organizing and facilitating First Friday Events as well as a downtown development contact. The next First Friday Event will include a “Back to School Bash” with fifteen local businesses handing out back to school supplies.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

- Finance –** Explained ordinances and resolutions on the agenda
- Rules -** No report
- Safety -** Explained resolutions on the agenda
- Utilities -** No report
- Streets -** No report
- Sidewalks, Curbs & Parks -** No report
- Audit –** No report

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS:

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

1. ORDINANCES FOR 1ST READING

22-62 A. AN ORDINANCE MAKING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND AMENDING THE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE FOR PURPOSES OF GENERAL FUND-POLICE DEPARTMENT AND GENERAL FUND-DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENTS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO. **FINANCE**

3RR- Moved by Baker, seconded by Aler V All Ayes
 Passage-
 Adoption-

R22-63 B. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR AND/OR POLICE CHIEF TO ACCEPT AN AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT LAW ENFORCEMENT VIOLENCE REDUCTION AND STAFFING GRANT FOR THE PURCHASE OF EIGHT NEW CRUISER VIDEO SYSTEMS. **FINANCE**

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

R22-64 C. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SERVICE SAFETY DIRECTOR AND/OR POLICE CHIEF TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE STATE OF OHIO BODY-WORN CAMERA GRANT PROGRAM. **SAFETY**

Motion to waive the 48 Hour Notification Suspension Rule to accept an amended resolution to change the language from “apply” to “apply and accept” moved by James, seconded by Aler V All Ayes

Adoption- Moved by James, seconded by Aler V All Ayes

R22-65 D. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SERVICE SAFETY DIRECTOR AND/OR POLICE CHIEF TO APPLY FOR A GRANT FROM 2022 OHIO OFFICE OF CRIMINAL SERVICES PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS PROGRAM (PSN). **SAFETY**

Adoption- Moved by James, seconded by DeSomma V All Ayes

2. ORDINANCES FOR 2ND READING

22-59 A. AN ORDINANCE MAKING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND AMENDING THE

PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE FOR CITY HALL, COMPUTER ACCOUNT,
OPIOD SETTLEMENT FUND, AND WATER DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
FINANCE

3RR- Moved by Baker, seconded by James
Passage-
Adoption-

V All Ayes

3. ORDINANCES FOR 3RD READING

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CLERK: Read a thank you letter from Lutheran Community Services, Inc. (copy att to clerk's official minutes)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL: Reminder from President Wagner that council pictures will take place at the next Council meeting, September 13th.

ADJOURNMENT – 7:52 moved by Lile, seconded by James

Bonnie Campbell, Clerk of Council

Zeb Wagner, President of Council