

**BELLEFONTAINE CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2022  
7:30 pm**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Zeb Wagner

**PLEDGE & INVOCATION:**

**ROLL CALL:** Springs *First Chair*  
 Baker  
 DeSomma  
 James  
 Lile  
 Reser *Minister* All Present

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

**CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONS:** none

**ADMINISTRATION REPORTS:**

**Mayor -** Logan County Solid Waste District forms a fifteen year plan and every five years it is updated. As the plan is reviewed, there will be a public meeting announced with the opportunity to voice your opinion on landfill, recycling and any other issues pertaining to the plan.  
 Two ribbon cuts included Revival Design, out of Celina, and Honda’s \$124 million HALO wind tunnel project. Honda’s next lab project will be an all weather testing project.  
 The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission is recognizing Bellefontaine’s efforts to revitalize. Three annual awards were given to Columbus for their transportation efforts, New Albany for the Intel project and Bellefontaine for our revitalization efforts.

**S/SD -** The tennis court project at Mary Rutan is well underway. Thanks all service departments for their efforts to keep our costs down on this project.  
 In efforts to fill service department openings, after interviews were conducted, a Street Department position has been offered to an individual. One opening is still in need to fill in the Waste Water Treatment Facility.  
 Met with members of the Rules Committee last week to discuss proposed changes to DORA. An agreement was reached and Mr. Stolly is preparing language updates of these changes. A public hearing pertaining to the changes has been advertised and will be held on April 12.

**Law -** In addition to the vacation hearing on April 26 an additional public hearing needs set for a zoning amendment by Mark Brumbaugh, Star Holdings.

**Auditor -** no report  
**Police Chief -** not present  
**Fire Chief -** not present  
**Engineer-** not present  
**Parks & Rec-** not present

**Economic Dev-** A Career Expo at Indian Lake High School, with over 100 employers participating, will take place on March 24<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am to 3:00 pm for students and 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm open to the public.  
 Updates on the hotel project and investors for the Bellefontaine hotel were given. Asks for help to get the word around, share details and answer any questions. The Port Authority will be used for both the Bellefontaine and Indian Lake projects.  
 Reminder that the state has provided money to all counties for brown field sites for clean up or demolition of sites that have chemical contamination or asbestos. To date, no entities have applied for this assistance. If Council is aware of any vacant sites in Logan County, this is a great opportunity. Applications are due the end of April.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

**Finance –** Explained ordinances on the agenda  
**Rules -** A Rules Committee meeting took place pertaining to the DORA changes.  
**Safety -** No report

- Utilities -** Explained ordinance on the agenda. The Utility Committee met on March 10<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 pm, to discuss rates which will remain unchanged at this time and addressed trash service with Republic.
- Streets -** Explained ordinances on the agenda
- Sidewalks, Curbs & Parks -**Explained ordinance on the agenda
- Audit –** No report

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS:** Thomas Smith, Troop 226, Pickrelltown, in attendance for a merit badge for communications.

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:**

**1. ORDINANCES FOR 1ST READING**

22-18 A. AN ORDINANCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND SERVICE SAFETY DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT(S) FOR MULTI-YEAR ASSET MANAGEMENT FOR THE ENGINEERING, REPAIR, SUSTAINABILITY, WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF WATER STORAGE TANKS AND APPURTENANT FACILITIES OWNED, OPERATED AND MAINTAINED BY THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO WATER DEPARTMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**UTILITIES**

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

**2. ORDINANCES FOR 2ND READING**

22-17 A. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE SAFETY DIRECTOR AND/OR POLICE CHIEF TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT AN OHIO LAW ENFORCEMENT BODY ARMOR PROGRAM GRANT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**FINANCE**

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

**3. ORDINANCES FOR 3RD READING**

22-09 A. AN ORDINANCE MAKING PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO.

**FINANCE**

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

22-10 B. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO SEEK PROPOSALS AND/OR ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH THE SELECTED BIDDERS FOR THE IRVING AVENUE, MADRIVER STREET AND PALMER AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT NO. 2022-03 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**FINANCE**

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

22-11 C. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO SEEK PROPOSALS AND/OR ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH THE SELECTED BIDDERS FOR THE WEST STREET AND WEST WILLIAMS AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT NO. 2022-02 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**FINANCE**

- Adoption- Moved by Baker, seconded by James V All Ayes
- 22-12 D. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING COMPENSATION FOR THE ASSISTANT CITY ENGINEER OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **FINANCE**
- Adoption- Moved by Baker, seconded by DeSomma V All Ayes
- 22-13 E. AN ORDINANCE VACATING COUNTY ROADS 283 AND 284 IN THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE HARRISON TOWNSHIP, LOGAN COUNTY, OHIO, SECTION 10, TOWN 3 RANGE 14 B.M.R.S., AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **STREET**
- Adoption- Moved by DeSomma, seconded by Reser V All Ayes
- 22-14 F. AN ORDINANCE VACATING THAT CERTAIN EAST-WEST PUBLIC ALLEY BETWEEN S. SPRINGHILLs STREET AND ST. PARIS STREET, IN THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, HARRISON TOWNSHIP, LOGAN COUNTY, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **STREET**
- Adoption- Moved by DeSomma, seconded by Reser V All Ayes
- 22-15 G. AN ORDINANCE VACATING THAT CERTAIN NORTH-SOUTH PUBLIC ALLEY EAST OF WALKER STREET, IN THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, LAKE TOWNSHIP, LOGAN COUNTY, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **STREET**
- Adoption- Moved by DeSomma, seconded by Reser V All Ayes
- 22-16 H. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING 957.05 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE REGARDING CEMETERY CHARGES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **SIDEWALKS, CURBS & PARKS**
- Adoption- Moved by Lile, seconded by DeSomma V All Ayes

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM CLERK:** Received a liquor license transfer from Salem South LLC, Akron to Axe Ventura Bellefontaine LLC. If no objections it will be sent.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL:** Mr. Dodds adds to his report that First Fridays will have an event, April 1<sup>st</sup>, Easter Extravaganza. Explained street closures, activities, food trucks, petting zoo and a DJ for the event.

*President Wagner addresses hearings for April including:*

*April 12<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm, DORA changes*

*April 26<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm, Alley vacation*

*April 26<sup>th</sup>, 7:15 pm, Brumbaugh zoning amendment*

**Also on April 12<sup>th</sup>, prior to the hearing will be the swearing in of John Aler.**

**ADJOURNMENT** – 8:03 pm moved by DeSomma, seconded by Lile

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Bonnie Campbell, Clerk of Council

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Zeb Wagner, President of Council

