

**BELLEFONTAINE CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2023
7:30 pm**

CALL TO ORDER: Deb Baker, President Pro Tem

PLEDGE & INVOCATION:

ROLL CALL: Springs *First Chair*
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DeSomma
James
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Reser *Minister*

Motion to excuse the absence of President Wagner moved by Springs, seconded by Aler V All Ayes

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

CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONS: none

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS:

Mayor - Several appointments for the end of the year. For a vacancy on the Metropolitan Housing Authority would recommend Aerial Schultz, who is served by and also recommended by Metro Housing.

Motion to appoint Aerial Schultz to the Metropolitan Housing Authority Board moved by James, seconded by Springs V All Ayes

Christmas gear is ready for lights, thanks our volunteer Christmas elves.

Parade on Friday, December 1st this year.

Thanks the auditor, finance committee and administration for getting the temporary budget in place.

Held a ground breaking for both Cobblestone Hotels in Bellefontaine and Indian Lake.

S/SD - Leaf pick up continues on the 15th and 16th in the southwest quadrant and the 17th-20th in the northwest.

The Street Department will then make another pass throughout the community. The trucks will then be made ready for snow removal, with the exception of one left for leaf pick-up.

In addition to working on the temporary budget also have been working on health care for associates.

Hopeful to finalize the decision in the next couple weeks.

Law - A most robust agenda this evening with presentation for consideration of budgetary items for the following year and setting in pay scales for our departments throughout the city. Asks for Council consideration on Ord. 23-71 for the parttime prosecutor to contract out \$40 an hour for two/three days a week. And also for Ord. 23-73 regarding the full-time prosecutor office, which is down by one prosecutor, causing strain on daily operations. Having not been able to fill the position due to our not being priced accordingly. Asking for an increase up to \$93,700.00 which is split 60/40 between the city and the county. Appreciates Council consideration for these requests.

Auditor - Regarding Ord. 23-70, an amendment to Ord. 13-40 that created the parttime Account Clerk position, shared between the Auditor's Office, Tax Department and Mayors Office. In the last seven years this has been a fulltime job in the Auditors Office. The amendment will get the position in line with what the Account Clerk actually does. The new title would be Asst. Deputy Auditor, for the Auditors Office only. Concerning Ord. 23-83, Temporary Appropriations Ordinance, the exhibit has 6 pages vs. 2 pages from the previous year which is due to the recommendation and findings from the State Auditors Office during the 2022 audit. This will bring it in line with the Ohio Revised Code minimum level of control by Council.

Police Chief - No report

Fire Chief - Not present

Engineer- No report

Parks & Rec- Thanks the community, elected officials and future elected officials for the outpouring of support during the levy campaign.

Economic Dev- Marysville had a referendum up for a 260 acre housing development approved by Council. Residents petitioned to put it on the ballot and the referendum was upheld and they are not moving forward with the housing development. This is not for lack of need and hopefully this will spur some more activity for our community. Encourages Council to continue to be supportive of housing. Questions answered.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

- Finance –** *Motion to removed Resolution R23-79 from the agenda moved by Springs, seconded by James*
V All Ayes
 Explained ordinances/resolution on the agenda.
Motion to waive the 24 Hour Notification Suspension Rule for Ordinance 23-83 moved by Springs,
seconded by James
V All Ayes
- Rules -** No report
- Safety -** Explained ordinance and 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

- 23-67 A. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PORTIONS OF CHAPTER 192 INCOME TAX OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
FINANCE

 3RR- Moved by Springs, seconded by Aler V All Ayes
 Passage-
 Adoption-
- 23-68 B. AN ORDINANCE MAKING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND AMENDING THE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE FOR PURPOSES OF FIRE AND POLICE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
FINANCE

 3RR- Moved by Springs, seconded by DeSomma V All Ayes
 Passage- Moved by Springs, seconded by Aler V All Ayes
 Adoption- Moved by Springs, seconded by James V All Ayes
- 23-69 C. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES FOR USE IN 2024, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO.
FINANCE

 3RR- Moved by Springs, seconded by Aler V Ayes, James-abstain
re: family business involved
 Passage-
 Adoption-
- 23-70 D. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ACCOUNT CLERK POSITION TO THE ASSISTANT DEPUTY AUDITOR POSITION FOR THE AUDITOR’S OFFICE OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
FINANCE

 3RR- Moved by Springs, seconded by Aler V All Ayes
 Passage-
 Adoption-
- 23-71 E. AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND PROVIDING FOR COMPENSATION FOR THE

ASSISTANT MUNICIPAL COURT PROSECUTOR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **FINANCE**

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

R23-72 F. A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING NEW EXPENSE ACCOUNTS WITHIN THE GENERAL FUND. **FINANCE**

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

23-73 G. AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND PROVIDING FOR COMPENSATION FOR THE BELLEFONTAINE MUNICIPAL COURT PROSECUTOR FOR 2024 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **FINANCE**

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

23-74 H. AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND PROVIDING FOR COMPENSATION OF THE BELLEFONTAINE MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE FOR 2024 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **FINANCE**

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

23-75 I. AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND PROVIDING FOR COMPENSATION FOR THE PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL, COUNCIL MEMBERS, CLERK OF COUNCIL, MAYOR, LAW DIRECTOR AND AUDITOR FOR 2024 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **FINANCE**

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

23-76 J. AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND PROVIDING FOR COMPENSATION FOR CERTAIN HOURLY EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (2024 SERVICE WORKERS PAY ORDINANCE) **FINANCE**

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

23-77 K. AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND PROVIDING FOR COMPENSATION FOR CERTAIN HOURLY EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (2024 CLERICAL WORKERS PAY ORDINANCE) **FINANCE**

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

23-78 L. AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND PROVIDING FOR COMPENSATION FOR CERTAIN HOURLY EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (2024 SUPERVISORY WORKERS PAY ORDINANCE) **FINANCE**

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

R23-79 M. A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE INVESTMENTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM THE DR. EARL SLOAN ENDOWMENT FUND FOR 2023 AND RETURN OF UNUSED GRANTS. **FINANCE**

Removed from the agenda

23-80 N. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR OR POLICE CHIEF TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH FLOCK SAFETY FOR TECHNOLOGY SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **SAFETY**

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

R23-81 O. A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN OHIO EMA FIRST RESPONDERS RETENTION INCENTIVE GRANT POLICY. **SAFETY**

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

R23-82 P. A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE LOGAN COUNTY MULTI-HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN. **SAFETY**

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

23-83 Q. AN ORDINANCE MAKING TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES DURING THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **FINANCE**

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

2. ORDINANCES FOR 2ND READING

3. ORDINANCES FOR 3RD READING

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CLERK: Reminder that there will be a hearing at 7:00 pm for the next meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL: none

ADJOURNMENT – 8:00 pm moved by Lile, seconded by DeSomma

Bonnie Campbell, Clerk of Council

Deb Baker, President Pro Tem of Council

