

**CITY OF BELLEVILLE, ILLINOIS  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL  
JANUARY 17, 2017 – 7:00 PM**

Mayor Mark Eckert called this meeting to order.

Mayor Eckert explained the disaster procedures. Mayor Eckert reminded anyone speaking this evening to step up to a microphone because the meetings are being taped and posted the next day on the website.

Mayor Eckert requested City Clerk Dallas B. Cook to call roll. Members present on roll call: City Clerk, Dallas B. Cook, City Treasurer Hardt and City Attorney Garrett Hoerner. Aldermen: Joe Hazel, Ken Kinsella, Jane Pusa, Mike Buettner, Kent Randle, Scott Tyler, Johnny Anthony, Raffi Ovian, Ed Dintelman, Paul Seibert, Phil Silsby, Bob White, Roger Wigginton, Phil Elmore, Roger Wigginton and Jim Musgrove.

Trent Galetti excused.

**ROLL CALL DEPARTMENT HEADS**

Roll Call Department Heads: Director of Maintenance, Ken Vaughn; Director of Wastewater, Royce Carlisle; Finance Director, Jamie Maitret; City Engineer, Tim Gregowicz; Human Resource Director, Sherry Favre; Director of Library, Leander Spearman; Director of Economic Development, Annissa McCaskill and Health; Director of Parks; Recreation, Debbie Belleville and Housing Director, Bob Sabo.

Department Heads Excused: Police Chief, Bill Clay; Fire Chief Pour and Director of Public Works, Chuck Schaeffer.

**PLEDGE**

Mayor Eckert led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

None.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**Michael Hagberg**

Regarding the resolution to allow the Mayor to sign an IEPA loan. The Resolution is quite vague and does not mention the name of the project nor does it mention the dollar amount. It is an open ended for whatever project, for whatever amount. He thinks there should be a motion to limit to a specific project and specific dollar amount.

**Stewart Lannert**

Obama Care was mentioned as one reasons Fischer's Restaurant closed. Regarding City Hall the boiler should have been one of the first items looked at and now will cost \$600,000 to fix. This is what you call a red herring...everything else was worked on and the money in place and then they find out they need a new boiler.

What will go wrong with the infrastructure with the new police station. How old is the building? Is it possible it will need new infrastructure. It seems the beer hall and hotels has been very poor planning and financial backing.

**PRESENTATIONS, RECOGNITIONS & APPOINTMENTS**

None.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Alderman Elmore made a motion seconded by Alderman Seibert to accept and file the minutes of City Council January 3, 2017.

All members voted aye.

**CLAIMS, PAYROLL, AND DISBURSEMENTS**

Alderman Dintelman made a motion seconded by Alderman White to approve claims and disbursements in the amount of \$4,330,533.75 and payroll in the amount of \$834,476.80.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Dintelman, Silsby, White, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (14)

**REPORTS**

Alderman Kinsella made a motion seconded by Alderman Hazel to accept and file the City Attorney report dated February 3, 2017.

All members voted aye.

**ORAL REPORTS**

**BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSION**

Alderman Silsby made a motion seconded by Alderman Hazel to approve the hiring of probationary firefighter, Brian Schield, effective February 8, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Dintelman, Silsby, White, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (14)

**ORDINANCE & LEGAL REVIEW COMMITTEE:**

Alderman Wigginton made a motion seconded by Alderman Kinsella to approve an ordinance amending Title (Business Regulations), Chapter 111 (General Provisions), Section 111.04 (Video Gaming), and Title XI (Business Regulations), Chapter 118 (Food and Businesses), Section 118.16 (Convenience Stores - Definitions) and Section 118.28 (Video Gaming Prohibited), and Chapter 121 (Alcoholic Beverages), Section 121.06 (License, Classifications, fees, numbers), of the revised ordinances of the City of Belleville, Illinois as amended, by amending portions sections thereof.

Discussion...

City Attorney Hoerner stated in 2009 the General Assembly enacted the Video Gaming Act which allows gaming machines in four types of establishments identified in Section 5 of that Act. (1) license establishment

truck stop establishment" means a facility (i) that is at least a 3-acre facility with a convenience store, (ii) with separate diesel islands for fueling commercial motor vehicles, (iii) that sells at retail more than 10,000 gallons of diesel or biodiesel fuel per month, and (iv) with parking spaces for commercial motor vehicles. A municipality may pass an ordinance prohibiting video gaming within the corporate limits of the municipality.

**ORDINANCE & LEGAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Alderman Wigginton made a motion seconded by Alderman Kinsella to postpone the Ordinance Amending Title XI (Business Regulation), Chapter 111 (General Provisions), Section 111.04 (Video Gaming), and Title XI (Business Regulations), Chapter 118 (Food and Beverage Businesses), Section 118-16 (Video Gaming Prohibited), of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Belleville, Illinois as Amended, by Amending Portions of Sections thereof.

All members voted aye.

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Alderman Wigginton made a motion seconded by Alderman Kinsella to approve an ordinance amending Title III (Administration), Chapter 30 (City Council), Section 30.01 (Rules of Council), Title III (Administration, Chapter 31 (Officials and Employees), Section 31.037 (Inspector of Weights and Measures) and Section 31.079 (Report on Licenses), Title III (Administration), Chapter 32 (Organizations), Section 32.005 (Personnel, Street Department), of the revised ordinances of the City of Belleville, Illinois as amended by amending portions of sections thereof.

*Discussion...*

City Attorney Hoerner stated this simply cleans up matters within the revised code of ordinances to be consistent with the city council and the city's custom practice.

Amending Title III (Administration), Chapter 30 (City Council), Section 30.01 (Rules of Council), Title III (Administration, Chapter 31 (Officials and Employees), Section 31.037 (Inspector of Weights and Measures - handled by the *Department of Agriculture*) and Section 31.079 (Report on Licenses - *this is something that has not been done for some time and the information is available through the City Clerk's office*), Title III (Administration), Chapter 32 (Organizations), Section 32.005 (Personnel, Street Department - *no longer applicable since it is cover through a collective bargaining agreements*).

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Dintelman, Seibert, Silsby, White, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (15)

### COMMUNICATIONS

Alderman Elmore made a motion seconded by Alderman Tyler to approve the communication from B.A.S.I.C. Initiative requesting to hang 50 pole banners at locations designated by the City.

All members voted aye.

### PETITIONS

None.

### RESOLUTIONS

Alderman Silsby made a motion seconded by Alderman Pusa to read by title only Resolutions 3286.

All members voted aye.

Alderman Silsby made a motion seconded by Alderman Pusa to approve RESOLUTION 3286 A Resolution requesting permission from IDOT to close Route 159 for the St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 11, 2017 from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

*Discussion...*

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Alderman Ovian requested a plan be submitted to the finance committee on how trash, police etc will be paid so there will be no reduction in costs; Mayor Eckert stated this parade was grandfathered in as was the St. Patrick's, Christmas, Shriners, Labor and Memorial Day Parades and they would never be charged.

Alderman Randle requested the city attorney to research this specific ordinance regarding 20% reduction.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Dintelman, Seibert, Silsby, White, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (15)

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Alderman Silsby made a motion seconded by Alderman White to read by title only Resolution 3287.

All members voted aye.

Alderman Silsby made a motion seconded by Alderman Pusa to approve **RESOLUTION 3287** A Resolution amending the annual budget of the City of Belleville, Illinois for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of May, 2016 and ending on the 30th day of April, 2017.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Dintelman, Seibert, Silsby, White, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (15)

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*Discussion...*

Director of Wastewater, Royce Carlisle, stated this is for Phase IV Long Term Control Plan. The IEPA requires this and there is no associated cost at this time. The engineering is in progress.

Alderman Silsby made a motion seconded by Alderman White to read by title only Resolution 3288.

All members voted aye.

Alderman Silsby made a motion seconded by Alderman Pusa to approve **RESOLUTION 3288** A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign loan documents.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Dintelman, Seibert, Silsby, White, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (15)

### **ORDINANCES**

Alderman Wigginton made a motion seconded by Alderman Elmore to table Ordinance 8010-2017.

All members voted aye.

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Alderman Wigginton made a motion seconded by Alderman White, as amended, to approve **ORDINANCE 8011-2017** Amending Title III (Administration), Chapter 30 (City Council), Section 30.01 (Rules of Council), Title III (Administration, Chapter 31 (Officials and Employees), Section 31.037 (Inspector of Weights and Measures - handled by the *Department of Agriculture*) and Section 31.079 (Report on Licenses - *this is something that has not been done for some time and the information is available through the City Clerk's office*), Title III (Administration), Chapter 32 (Organizations), Section 32.005 (Personnel, Street Department - *no longer applicable since it is cover through a collective bargaining agreements*).

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Dintelman, Seibert, Silsby, White, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (15)

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Alderman Buettner discussed the ongoing parking issues with Lindenwood University-Belleville. Alderman Buettner stated he sent an email regarding the issues to Mayor Eckert and Dr. Barger. Alderman Buettner requested the status of the parking plan.

Alderman Buettner stated he never wanted the school to close, he does not want the school to go anywhere...he just wants the school to be responsible.

Mayor Eckert stated he is going to meet with Dr. Barger and will discuss the email. Alderman Pusa stated this is the only block that has complaints.

### **MISCELLANEOUS & NEW BUSINESS**

Alderman Seibert made a motion seconded by Alderman Kinsella to approve the Motor Fuel Claims in the Amount of **\$12,150.49**.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Dintelman, Seibert, Silsby, White, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (15)

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Alderman Wigginton made a motion seconded by Alderman Tyler to go into executive to discuss pending litigation pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2(c)(11).

All members voted aye.

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Entered executive session at 7:50 p.m.  
Resumed from Executive Session at 7:58 p.m.

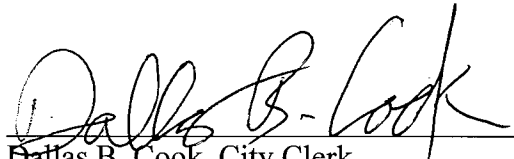
Alderman Wigginton made a motion seconded by Alderman Randle to approve a settlement in the amount of \$5,000.00 in the case of Rehkemper vs. City of Belleville, Case No. 01-L-564.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Dintelman, Seibert, Silsby, White, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (15)

**ADJOURNMENT**

Alderman Randle made a motion seconded by Alderman Ovian to adjourn at 8:0 pm.

All members voted aye.

  
Dallas B. Cook, City Clerk