

**CITY OF BELLEVILLE, ILLINOIS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL
MARCH 21, 2016 – 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 asked the City Clerk Dallas B. Cook to call roll. Members present on roll call: Mayor Mark Eckert and City Clerk Dallas B. Cook. Aldermen: Joe Hazel, Ken Kinsella, Jane Pusa, Mike Buettner, Kent Randle, Scott Tyler, Johnny Anthony, Raffi Ovian, Phil Silsby, Ed Dintelman, Paul Seibert, Bob White, Trent Galetti, Phil Elmore, Roger Wigginton and James Musgrove.

ROLL CALL DEPARTMENT HEADS

Roll Call Department Heads: City Treasurer Hardt, Assistant City Attorney Flynn; Director of Wastewater, Royce Carlisle; Finance Director, Jamie Maitret; Director of Parks and Recreation, Debbie Belleville; Director of Maintenance, Ken Vaughn and Fire Chief, Tom Pour.

Roll Call Department Heads Excused: City Attorney Hoerner; Director of Public Works, Chuck Schaeffer; Police Chief, Bill Clay; Human Resource Director, Jim Schneider; Director of Library, Leander Spearman; City Engineer, Tim Gregowicz; Health and Housing Director, Bob Sabo; Director of Economic Development, Annissa McCaskill.

PLEDGE

Mayor Eckert led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Lillian Schneider

Ms. Schneider stated her comments are to the aldermen and when they are at committee meetings they should not act like children. At the last Economic Development meeting, the night before the press conference, the question was asked “is Lillian invited”. Everyone laughed at Lillian’s expense; however, who was the great last laugh on and the ones turning red? Let’s let the children act like children instead of all city officials for the taxpayers. It’s like the little boy that cried wolf “hear ye hear ye”. Press conference...wow...nothing as the little boy cried wolf. Tonight the aldermen will be voting on a new project when they have not finished taking care of what they started with a new TIF and everything out at the Shrine. What has it cost the city and what is costing extra? The new project is for who and what. She hopes this isn’t another big secret. If it is, vote no, because you are spending the taxpayers’ money that have no right to hear what is going on just like the no hotels. She will be an adult

and say congratulations when they do name the hotels if it does happen. Regarding the new project, the public has a right to know what is going in there since the sales tax on things that are bought. The city has the largest sales tax around and if you care about your constituents vote no on this project until we know who and what it is.

Hal Inabinet

Mr. Inabinet stated he has extreme disappointment since it has been a year now since the Shrine has been approved and there is still not a hotel. There is money being spent for sewer lines. We need to hold the developer accountable since they are holding the city hostage. Mr. Inabinet stated he was told this had to be approved or it will go somewhere else. The change order for Gonzales is in the amount of \$36,000 for Missionary Ventures. Change orders cost the taxpayers' money. He would like to know the details of why. He read they rerouted it...who didn't figure this out to start with? He requested details on whose fault for the change order i.e. is it the city's fault with no direction from the engineer or the contracted engineer who drew it up to start with.

Concerning Big Daddy's wants to close two blocks...why should a private enterprise that is there to make money for the block party close a private street that belongs to the taxpayers. That is favoring a business. There are twelve Saturdays that the streets are closed downtown. That is 25% of the weekends.

PRESENTATIONS, RECOGNITIONS & APPOINTMENTS

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Alderman Wigginton made a motion seconded by Alderman Kinsella to approve to accept and file the minutes of March 7, 2016.

All members voted aye.

CLAIMS, PAYROLL, AND DISBURSEMENTS

Alderman Anthony made a motion seconded by Alderman Elmore to accept and pay the claims in the amount of **\$2,121,300.22** and payroll in the amount of **\$820,905.71**.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Silsby, Dintelman, Seibert, White, Galetti, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (16)

REPORTS

Alderman Buettner made a motion seconded by Alderman Pusa to accept and file the Treasurer's Report dated February 2016 and Statement of Cash and Investments Report February 2016.

All members voted aye.

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ORAL REPORTS

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

Alderman Kinsella made a motion seconded by Alderman Wigginton to approve a professional services contract with Economic Development Resources, LLC for a proposed Business District located at 6401 West Main Street.

Discussion...

Mayor Eckert stated this has been discussed in committee and when a business district is proposed a developer cannot be named and must go through an RFP process. Mayor Eckert stated the developer will pay for the business district; therefore, there is no risk if this does not move forward. Alderman Galetti asked if the developer will pay for Mr. Norber's fee; Mayor Eckert stated yes and Eric Schauster concurred. Alderman Wigginton asked how long the city will allow the buildings to remain vacant that do not create sales tax revenue. This is not only a good plan it is a viable plan.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Silsby, Dintelman, Seibert, White, Galetti, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (16)

HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE:

Alderman Kinsella made a motion seconded by Alderman Ovian to approve low bidder, Shafer Excavating, in the amount of \$57,610 for the demolition of the following properties: 1712 Scheel Street 33 Highwood Court; 500 South Church Street; 2021 Madison Avenue; 124 North 15th and 523 North Jackson Street.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Silsby, Dintelman, Seibert, White, Galetti, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (16)

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Alderman Silsby made a motion seconded by Alderman Seibert to approve the low bid of \$77,400 from CLS Inc. for landscaping & irrigation for Police Department Project.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Silsby, Dintelman, Seibert, White, Galetti, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (16)

Alderman Silsby made a motion seconded by Alderman Seibert to approve the low bid of \$98,900 from Locker & Storage Systems, Inc. for metal lockers for Police Department Project.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Silsby, Dintelman, Seibert, White, Galetti, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (16)

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Alderman Silsby made a motion seconded by Alderman Seibert to approve insurance renewals as follows: Insurance Program Managers Group (IPMG) as health insurance third party administrators, including their recommendations for stop loss & aggregate carriers, and Advantica for dental & vision coverage. Also, approving staff's recommendations for plan changes.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Silsby, Dintelman, Seibert, White, Galetti, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (16)

Alderman Silsby made a motion seconded by Alderman Wigginton to approve engineering scope change with Gonzalez Companies for Missionary Ventures force main re-route.

Discussion...

Alderman Elmore pointed out as a member of the Master Sewer Committee that this change order is still within the original budget. Director of Wasterwater, Royce Carlisle, stated the scope of the project is still within the budgeted amount and the change is due to the acquisition of easements and the placement of the project changed because of the placement of some of the development. The easements were going to cost much more than what the change of the scope of this contract would be.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Silsby, Dintelman, Seibert, White, Galetti, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (16)

Alderman Silsby made a motion seconded by Alderman Seibert to approve postage machine contract with Walz Label & Mailing Systems.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Silsby, Dintelman, Seibert, White, Galetti, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (16)

Alderman Silsby made a motion seconded by Alderman Ovian to approve equipment financing with Bank of Belleville for 2016 sanitation truck at 1.73% for 3 years.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Silsby, Dintelman, Seibert, White, Galetti, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (16)

Alderman Silsby made a motion seconded by Alderman Randle to approve Investment Policy Changes.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Silsby, Dintelman, Seibert, White, Galetti, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (16)

Alderman Silsby made a motion seconded by Alderman Seibert to approve Reliance Bank, First Bank of Dietrich & Regions Bank as new investment institutions.

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

Member abstaining on roll call: Randle. (1)

Alderman Silsby made a motion seconded by Alderman Seibert to approve the Budget Amendments as recommended by the Finance Director.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Silsby, Dintelman, Seibert, White, Galetti, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (16)

ORDINANCE AND LEGAL COMMITTEE:

Alderman Kinsella made a motion seconded by Alderman Hazel to approve the following motions:

Motion to amend Chapter 31-1-1 from Parks and Recreation, to allow alcohol in Bellevue Park at the Stone Lodge Building only.

Motion to amend Chapter 31-1-1 from Parks and Recreation to change the name of Municipal Pool Park to Ebsen Park.

Discussion...

Alderman Elmore questioned the liquor liability and dram shop; Mayor Eckert stated the applicant must provide proof of insurance.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Silsby, Dintelman, Seibert, White, Galetti, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (16)

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE:

Alderman White made a motion seconded by Alderman Anthony to approve the following motions:

Motion to approve no thru truck traffic on Commons Parkway at North Green Mount.

Motion to approve no thru truck traffic on Green Mount Commons Drive at the rear of the Wal-Mart store.

Motion to approve no left turn lane on Green Mount Commons Drive at the rear of Wal-Mart.

All members voted aye.

STREETS AND GRADES COMMITTEE:

Alderman Seibert made a motion seconded by Alderman Dintelman to approve Haier Plumbing for the North End Retaining Wall in the amount of \$75,244.00.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Silsby, Dintelman, Seibert, White, Galetti, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (16)

Alderman Seibert made a motion seconded by Alderman Dintelman to approve Stutz Excavating for the Nichols Center Retaining Wall in the amount of \$49,940.00.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Silsby, Dintelman, Seibert, White, Galetti, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (16)

COMMUNICATIONS

Alderman Seibert made a motion seconded by Alderman White to read by title only and as a group.

Alderman White made a motion seconded by Alderman Seibert to approve the following communications:

Chiro-Med 6th Annual Get Up & Go Biathlon – 8/7/2016

Communication from Chiro-Med requesting permission to hold their 6th Annual Get Up & Go Biathlon on August 7, 2016 starting and finishing at Belleville West utilizing City, County and State roadways. They are requesting two police officers.

Memorial Hospital 8th Annual 5K Run/Walk – 9/10/16

Request from Memorial Hospital request permission to hold their 8th Annual 5K run/Walk on Saturday, September 10, 2016 beginning at 8 AM, starting and ending at Memorial Hospital.

Ainad Shriner's Circus Banner Request

Ainad Shrine is requesting to display a banner for the Shriner's Circus.

Big Daddys' 618 Saturday, April 23rd

Big Daddy's 618 would like to request the closure of one-block of East Main Street placing barricades at Church Street and East Main Street and at Charles Street and East Main Street for their 11th Anniversary Block Party (see attached map). The closure will be between the hours of 8:00 AM and 12:00 Midnight. The event will consist of Live Music and Food.

The affected businesses in this Downtown Special Service Area have been notified and have signed off in approval that this event will have "no impact" on their business on the specified date and time.

4th Annual Brew 'n Que Challenge, Saturday, 6/4/2016 Belleville Main Street (BMS) would like to kick-off the 2015 summer in downtown Belleville with the "Fourth Annual Brew 'n Que Challenge". Together with Chick Fritz Distribution and the Belleville Main Street, Big Daddy's 618 would like to co-sponsor a one-day "people's choice" BBQ Challenge. The event would take place on Saturday, June 4, 2016 from 11:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

This event would require the closure of two-blocks on East Main Street placing barricades at Jackson Street and East Main Street, at Church Street and East Main Street, and at Charles Street and East Main Street (see attached map) between the hours of 6:00 AM and 10:00 PM. BMS is requesting the City's assistance with the placement of barricades at the event location (noted on the attached map); use, delivery and set up/tear down of picnic tables; and the placement and pick up of trash receptacles.

The affected businesses in this Downtown Special Service Area have been notified and have signed off in approval that this event will have "no impact" on their business on the specified date and time.

4th Annual Brew 'n Que Challenge, Friday, 6/17/2016 Belleville Main Street (BMS) would like to continue the "Fourth Annual Brew 'n Que Challenge" with our Annual Craft Beer Walk. The event would take place on Friday, June 17, 2016 from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM. This event does not require any requested street closures.

Diva Night, Thursday, 7/21/2016

Diva Night is a Belleville Main Street monthly event that occurs on the third Thursday of each month. Hair on Main and Tavern on Main would like to host/sponsor the Music on Main Diva Night on Thursday, July 21, 2016 from 4:00 PM – 10:00 PM.

The event will require the closure of Church Street, with barricades placed at East Main Street and A Street. The event will consist of Diva Night, as well as Live Music on the Plaza. The affected businesses in this Downtown Special Service Area have been notified and have signed off in approval that this event will have "no impact" on their business on the specified date and timeframe.

Set up for the event would begin at 3:00 PM. BMS is requesting the City's assistance with the placement of barricades at the event location (noted on the attached map) and the placement and pick up of trash receptacles.

Art & Wine Walk, Saturday, 11/5/2016

Belleville Main Street (BMS) would like to host our annual Art & Wine Walk. The event would take place on Saturday, November 5, 2016 from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM. This event does not require any requested street closures.

Holiday Open House, Saturday, 11/12/2016

Belleville Main Street (BMS) would like to host our annual Holiday Open House. The event would take place on Saturday, November 12, 2016 and run through normal store hours. This event does not require any requested street closures.

All members voted aye.

RESOLUTIONS

Alderman Hazel made a motion seconded by Alderman Kinsella to read Resolution 3256, 3257, 3258 and 3259 by title only and as a group.

All members voted aye.

Alderman Silsby made a motion seconded by Alderman Dintelman to approve the following Resolutions:

RESOLUTION 3256

A resolution approving the transfer of Volume Cap in connection with Private Activity Bond Issues, and related matters.

RESOLUTION 3257

A resolution amending the annual budget of the City of Belleville for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of May 2015, and ending on the 30th day of April 2016.

RESOLUTION 3258

A resolution amending the annual budget of the City of Belleville for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of May 2015, and ending on the 30th day of April 2016.

RESOLUTION 3259

A resolution approving bank loan for sanitation truck.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Silsby, Dintelman, Seibert, White, Galetti, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (16)

ORDINANCES

Alderman Silsby made a motion seconded by Alderman White to read Ordinance 7933-2016, 7934-2016, 7935-2016 and 7936-2016 by title only and as a group.

All members voted aye.

Alderman Kinsella made a motion seconded by Alderman Elmore to approve Ordinances 7933-2016, 7934-2016, 7935-2016 and 7936-2016.

ORDINANCE 7933-2016

An ordinance approving a Zoning Ordinance In Re: 04FEB16 Hazel Bland Promise Center.

ORDINANCE 7934-2016

An ordinance approving a Zoning Ordinance In Re: 05FEB16 Barry Hayden.

ORDINANCE 7935-2016

An ordinance approving designating banks as depositories for city funds.

ORDINANCE 7936-2016

An ordinance approving amending Chapter 31 (Parks and Recreation) of the revised code of ordinances of Belleville, Illinois as amended, by amending portions of sections thereof.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Silsby, Dintelman, Seibert, White, Galetti, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (16)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Kinsella stated at the last meeting he asked City Clerk Cook to make a printed copy of the packet available and since that time City Clerk Cook sent out an email stating he would make a packet available if someone requests it. Alderman Kinsella thanked City Clerk Cook for compromising.

Alderman Buettner stated in looking at the parking plan for Lindenwood it appears they will pave the parking lot at West 'A' and North 21st behind 2415 West Main and 210 South 29th Street. Mayor Eckert stated there are more to come and it will be discussed at the next quarterly meeting. Alderman Buettner requested the gravel areas behind the home paved. Alderman Buettner asked when the parking plan will be put in place; Mayor Eckert stated it has been disseminated to the students; however, will follow up. Mayor Eckert stated the annual meeting will be set sometime in May 2016.

MISCELLANEOUS & NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Seibert made a motion seconded by Alderman Galetti to approve the Motor Fuel Claims in the Amount of **\$4,627.36**.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Silsby, Dintelman, Seibert, White, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (16)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Kinsella made a motion seconded by Alderman Seibert to go into executive session to discuss personnel, litigation, workers' compensation, property acquisition, transfer of property.

All members voted aye.

Entered executive session at 7:38 p.m.

Resumed from Executive Session at 7:48 p.m.

Alderman Wigginton made a motion seconded by Alderman Elmore to approve the two proposed workers' compensation cases and authorize the attorney to move forward with the settlement.

Members voting aye on roll call: Hazel, Kinsella, Pusa, Buettner, Randle, Tyler, Anthony, Ovian, Silsby, Dintelman, Seibert, White, Galetti, Elmore, Wigginton and Musgrove. (16)

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Galetti made a motion seconded by Alderman Elmore to adjourn at 7:50 pm.

All members voted aye.

These minutes were approved on April 4, 2016.



Dallas B. Cook, City Clerk