

**CITY OF BELLEVILLE, ILLINOIS  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL  
February 21, 2023 – 7:00 PM**

Mayor Gregory called this meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

City Clerk Gain Meyer called roll. Members present on roll call: Alderman Whitaker, Alderwoman Duco, Alderwoman Eros, Alderman Randle, Alderman Ferguson, Alderman Anthony, Alderman Ovia, Alderman Dintelman, Alderwoman Schaefer, Alderwoman Stiehl, Alderman Rothweiler, Alderman Elmore, Alderman Weygandt, Alderwoman Sullivan, Alderwoman Osthoff.

Excused: Alderman Hazel, Alderwoman Eros, Alderman Ferguson

**ROLL CALL DEPARTMENT HEADS**

City Clerk Gain Meyer called roll of Department Heads: City Treasurer Biermann; City Attorney, Garrett Hoerner, Police Chief, Matt Eiskant; Finance Director, Jamie Maitret; Director of Public Works, Jason Poole; Asst. Director of Wastewater, Jay Godt; Director of IT, Eric Walls; City Engineer, Sal Elkott; Director of Health, Housing & Building, Scott Tyler; Director of Economic Development, Planning & Zoning, Clifford Cross.

Excused: Director of Fire Chief, Lloyd Stinson, Director of Wastewater, Randy Smith, Library Director, Leander Spearman; Director of Human Resources, William Clay, Director of Communications & PR, Kathy Kaiser.

**PLEDGE**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

None.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None.

**PRESENTATIONS, RECOGNITIONS & APPOINTMENTS**

Mayor Gregory read a proclamation in recognition of Black History Month.

Mayor Gregory read a proclamation in recognition of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of MindsEye

Chief Eiskant recognized Officers Zane Wallace, Jordan Miller and Sergeant David Ray for a Lifesaving Award for action taken on duty November 11, 2022

Chief Eiskant recognized Probationary Officers Riley Barnes, Jake Robinson and Field Training Officers William Garrett and Jordan Miller for Certificate of Merit for action taken on duty January 11, 2023

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Alderman Schaefer made a motion second by Alderman Elmore to approve City Council and Executive Session Meeting Minutes of February 6, 2023.

All members present voted aye.

Motion carries.

### **CLAIMS, PAYROLL AND DISBURSEMENTS**

Alderman Whitaker made a motion second by Alderman Duco to approve claims and disbursements in the amount of \$1,597,415.02 and payroll in the amount of \$928,398.36.

Members voting aye on roll call: Whitaker, Duco, Randle, Anthony, Ovian, Dintelman, Schaefer, Stiehl, Rothweiler, Elmore, Weygandt, Sullivan, Osthoff. (13)

Motion carries.

### **REPORTS**

None.

### **ORAL REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES, SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND ANY OTHER ORAL REPORTS FROM THE ELECTED OFFICIALS OR STAFF**

#### **POLICE & FIRE COMMITTEE**

Alderman Anthony made a motion second by Alderman Whitaker to approve the following:

Motion to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement for Continued participation in the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) Master Agreement

Motion to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Belleville/Bellevalle Police Department and Belle Valley School District 119 to establish a "Cops in Schools" Resource Officer Program (SRO) August 1, 2023 – August 1, 2026

Motion to approve the appointment of Christopher Vandelinde and Ralph Holmes, Sr. as Police Chaplains effective February 22, 2023 at 12:01am

Members voting aye on roll call: Duco, Randle, Anthony, Ovian, Dintelman, Schaefer, Stiehl, Rothweiler, Elmore, Weygandt, Sullivan, Osthoff, Whitaker. (13)

Motion carries.

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Alderman Whitaker made a motion second by Alderwoman Schaefer to approve the following:

Motion to approve amendment to Johnson Controls contract for SIJWDC, adding \$300 annually for five (5) years totaling \$1,500 for the addition of two (2) backflow preventors not originally included.

Motion to approve waiving formal bidding procedures and enter into an agreement with Pyramid Electrical Contractors, Inc. for purchase/installation of 300kVa transformer at SIJWDC in the amount of \$116,790, lowest proposal among three vendors for immediate install.

Motion to approve agreement with Voltus, Inc. for energy curtailment program at various City owned locations (mainly WWTP)

Motion to approve 30-year electric utility franchise agreement with Ameren Illinois

Members voting aye on roll call: Randle, Anthony, Ovian, Dintelman, Schaefer, Stiehl, Rothweiler, Elmore, Weygandt, Sullivan, Osthoff, Whitaker, Duco. (13)

Motion carries.

## **ADMINISTRATION**

Alderwoman Stiehl made a motion second by Alderwoman Schaefer to approve the following:

Motion to approve a Work Comp settlement with Jordan Miller in the amount of \$17,403.18.

Motion to approve a Highway Authority Agreement for property at 321 Centreville Avenue, Belleville, Illinois

Members voting aye on roll call: Anthony, Ovian, Dintelman, Schaefer, Stiehl, Rothweiler, Elmore, Weygandt, Sullivan, Osthoff, Whitaker, Duco, Randle. (13)

Motion carries.

## **ORDINANCE & LEGAL REVIEW**

Alderwoman Stiehl made a motion second by Alderman Rothweiler to amend Title III (Administration), Chapter 34 (Finance and Revenue; Taxation) Section 34.043 (Hotel and Motel Tax)

Members voting aye on roll call: Ovian, Dintelman, Schaefer, Stiehl, Rothweiler, Elmore, Weygandt, Sullivan, Osthoff, Whitaker, Duco, Randle, Anthony. (13)

Motion carries.

## **PLANNING COMMISSION**

Alderman Dintelman made a motion second by Alderwoman Duco to approve the following:

**Chelar Tool and Die:** Site Plan approval for the construction of an approximate 15,000 square foot addition to the existing facility which currently consists of approximately 58,170 square feet of combined building space. The proposal also calls for two concrete ramps, a loading dock, and a new canopy structure. The site will have 79 parking spaces and 4 loading areas and is located in “D-2” (Heavy Industry) district. (Parcels: 08-22.0-419-001/002/003) Ward 7. *Planning Commission recommended Approval, with all present members voting 6-0.*

**George Renner & Sons Funeral Home, Inc:** Site Plan approval for the construction of an approximate 4,950 square foot crematory facility, with 4 on-site parking spaces on an approximate 31,165 square foot lot within a “C-2” (Heavy Commercial) district. (Parcels: 08-22.0-319-006/ 007/008/009/010/011) Ward 2. *Planning Commission recommended Approval contingent upon final administrative review and approval, with all present members voting 5-0*

Members voting aye on roll call: Dintelman, Schaefer, Stiehl, Rothweiler, Elmore, Weygandt, Sullivan, Osthoff, Whitaker, Duco, Randle, Anthony, Ovian. (13)

Motion carries.

## **PUBLIC HEALTH & HOUSING**

Alderman Rothweiler made a motion second by Alderwoman Schaefer to approve the lowest responsible bidder for 2023 demolitions with Groundworks Contracting in the amount of \$315,300.00.

Members voting aye on roll call: Schaefer, Stiehl, Rothweiler, Elmore, Weygandt, Sullivan, Osthoff, Whitaker, Duco, Randle, Anthony, Ovian, Dintelman. (13)

Motion carries.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

Alderman Whitaker made a motion second by Alderwoman Schaefer to approve the following communication:

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE – 04/01/2023**

Request from Belleville Fire Department to host an Open House, Saturday, April 1, 2023, 10:00am to 2:00pm at Engine House #4 (1125 South Illinois Street). Additional City services: picnic tables and trash toters

**HEAL FROM WITHIN – 05/06/2023**

Request from Elated Hearts to host Heal From Within Mental Health Month Celebration, Saturday, May 6, 2023, 11:00am to 3:00pm at Hough Park (417 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street). Additional City services: electricity, picnic tables, trash toters and restrooms

**SHRINERS' BOURBON & WINE FUNDRAISER – 05/13/2023**

Request from Venue on Main to host Shriners' Bourbon & Wine Fundraiser, Saturday, May 13, 2023, 11:00am to 11:00pm. Street closure: first block of South Second to West Washington Street, 9:00am to 11:59pm. Additional City services: "No Parking" signage, picnic tables and trash toters

**EXPERIENCE LIVE MUSIC ROW – 06/17/2023 and 09/09/2023**

Request from Venue on Main to host Experience Live Music Row, Saturday, June 17, 2023, and September 9, 2023, 11:00am to 11:00pm. Street closure: first block of South Second to West Washington Street, 9:00am to 11:59pm

**OKTOBERFEST – 09/15/2023 and 09/16/2023**

Request from the Belleville Oktoberfest Committee to hold Oktoberfest, Friday, September 15, 2023, 11:00am to 10:00pm and Saturday, September 16, 2023, 11:00am to 9:00pm. Street closure requests: Thursday, September 14, 2023, 10:00am West Main Street from Illinois Street to east side of 2nd Street and first block of North First Street; 5:00pm first block north, south, and east of Public Square and East Main Street from the east side of High Street to the west side of Jackson Street. Streets re-open Sunday, September 17, 2023, 3:00am. Car Show street closure: Saturday, September 16, 2023, 6:00am to 6:00pm East Main Street from Jackson Street to west side of Charles Street, including the first block north and south of Jackson and Church Street. Additional City services requested: barricades, Personnel, "No Parking" signs, trash toters, chalets, electric and picnic tables. Request for food trucks and up to 50 street pole light banners on West Main, East Main, North Illinois, South Illinois, and North Charles Street as available May 2023 through event

**CATHEDRAL FOOD TRUCK FEST – 09/30/2023**

Request from Cathedral to host a Food Truck Fest, Saturday, September 30, 2023, 4:00pm to 10:00pm. Street closure request: West Harrison Street (between S 1<sup>st</sup> and S 2<sup>nd</sup> Street), 9:00am to 11:00pm. Additional City services: picnic tables, "No Parking" signage, toters and barricades.

**CHILI CHASE 5K AND KIDS PEPPER DASH – 10/07/2023**

Belleville Chamber of Commerce request to host the Chili Chase 5K & Kids Pepper Dash, Saturday, October 7, 2023, 9:00am to 11:00am. Street closure request: 6:00am to 11:00am, North and South Church from alley to alley, East Main Street from Church Street to Charles Street. Additional City services: barricades, "No Parking" signage and Police Personnel

**CHILI COOK-OFF – 10/06/2023 & 10/07/2023**

Belleville Chamber of Commerce request to hold the Chili Cook-Off, Friday, October 6, 2023 (11:00am to 10:00pm) and Saturday, October 7, 2023, (11:00am to 9:00pm). Street closure requests: 5:00pm Thursday, October 5, 2023 until 12:01am Sunday, October 8, 2023 Public Square one block north, south, and west. East Main Street from Illinois Street to the west side of Church Street. Additional City services: picnic tables, barricades, trash toters, Personnel, "No Parking" signage and electrical panels. Banner across East/West Main Street

**OUT OF DARKNESS COMMUNITY WALK – 10/14/2023**

Request from American Foundation for Suicide Prevention to hold the Out of Darkness Community Walk, Saturday, October 14, 2023, 9:00am to 11:00am, downtown Belleville. Street Closure request: first block of West Main Street (159 to east side of First Street) and use of downtown quadrants, 9:00am to 11:00am. Additional City Services: barricades, “No Parking” signage, trash toters, picnic tables, electrical and Personnel

**CHRISTKINLDMARKT – 11/24/2023 thru 12/23/2023**

Request from BCEO to hold the Belleville Christkindlmarkt, Friday, November 24, 2023 (open 9:00am) thru Saturday, December 23, 2023 SE and NE quadrant of the Public Square. Thursday thru Saturday, 11:00am to 8:00pm, Sundays 11:00am to 6:00pm. December 18 – December 22, 11:00am to 8:00pm. Additional City Services: chalets, trash toters, picnic tables, Port-a-Potties, water barriers, electric, vendor parking at City Hall and “No Parking” for trolley. Banner across West Main, East Main, and North Illinois

All members present voted aye.

Motion carries.

**PETITIONS**

None.

**RESOLUTIONS**

Alderman Rothweiler made a motion second by Alderwoman Schaefer to read Resolutions 3469, 3470, 3471, and 3472 by title only and as a group.

All members voted aye.

Motion carries.

**RESOLUTION 3469**

A Resolution requesting permission from IDOT to close Route 159 for Oktoberfest, Thursday September 14, 2023 to Sunday September 17, 2023

**RESOLUTION 3470**

A Resolution requesting permission from IDOT to close Route 159 for Chili Cook-Off, Thursday October 5, 2023 to Sunday October 8, 2023

**RESOLUTION 3471**

A Resolution for Improvement Under the Illinois Highway Code for Roadway/Street Improvements Allsup Place from Illinois Route 15 to Town Hall Road

**RESOLUTION 3472**

A Resolution of Support and Commitment for Local Funds for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds for Church Street (South Belt East to Grant Street)

Alderman Rothweiler made a motion second by Alderwoman Stiehl to approve the Resolutions as read.

Members voting aye on roll call: Schaefer, Stiehl, Rothweiler, Elmore, Weygandt, Sullivan, Osthoff, Whitaker, Duco, Randle, Anthony, Ovian, Dintelman. (13)

Motion carries.

## **ORDINANCES**

Alderwoman Schaefer made a motion second by Alderman Randle to read by Title only 9125-2023, 9126-2023, and 9127-2023 as a group.

All members voted aye.

Motion carries.

### **ORDINANCE 9125-2023**

An Ordinance Extending the Authorization to Ameren Illinois Company d/b/a Ameren Illinois, its Successors and Assigns to Construct, Operate and Maintain an Electric Utility System in the City of Belleville

### **ORDINANCE 9126-2023**

An Ordinance Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement for Participation in the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) Master Agreement

### **ORDINANCE 9127-2023**

An Ordinance Amending Title III (Administration), Chapter 34 (Finance and Revenue; Taxation), Section 34.043 (Hotel and Motel Tax) of the Revised Code of Ordinances of the City of Belleville as Amended

Alderman Randle made a motion second by Alderman Anthony to approve the Ordinances as read.

Members voting aye on roll call: Stiehl, Rothweiler, Elmore, Weygandt, Sullivan, Osthoff, Whitaker, Duco, Randle, Anthony, Ovian, Dintelman, Schaefer. (13)

Motion carries.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

## **MISCELLANEOUS & NEW BUSINESS**

Alderman Elmore made a motion second by Alderwoman Schaefer to approve Motor Fuel Claims in the Amount of \$73,146.21.

Members voting aye on roll call: Rothweiler, Elmore, Weygandt, Sullivan, Osthoff, Whitaker, Duco, Randle, Anthony, Ovia, Dintelman, Schaefer, Stiehl. (13)

Motion carries.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Alderman Randle made a motion second by Alderwoman Schaefer to adjourn at 7:38 p.m.

All members voted aye.

Motion carries.



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Jennifer Gain Meyer, City Clerk