

COUNCIL CHAMBER CITY OF BELLEVUE, CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL NOVEMBER 14, 2012

Board of Council met in regular session on the above date at 7:00 p.m. The following members answered roll call:

MEMBERS: Ratterman, Wiethorn, Almoslechner, Rich, Olliges and Guidugli. Mayor Edward Riehl presiding.

The meeting was opened with a prayer and pledge to the flag.

MOTION: By Wiethorn seconded by Ratterman that the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council October 17, 2012 are accepted as received. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Wiethorn that the following claims are paid:

General Fund	(39)	\$	31,499.54
General Fund (10/31/2012)	(10)		17,960.69
Capital Improvement	(9)		18,512.43
Capital Improvement (10/31/12)	(1)		250.00
Parks	(3)		616.31
Municipal Road Aid	(2)		71,316.73
Community Oriented Police Program Fund	(1)		20.00
Port Bellevue	(2)		164,785.63

FOR THE RECORD: Member Olliges reported on behalf of the Fire Board:

Board met to approve the job description for the new Administrative position created by the retirement of Phyllis Krentz. Squad is again out of service due to mechanical issues.

FOR THE RECORD: Mayor Riehl reported on the following:

Council will need to replace Member Ratterman as Council representative to the Fire Board – Council input requested – Member Guidugli stated he would like to serve.

OKI appointment is due for renewal – Member Almoslechner agreed to serve as Council representative to OKI.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Rich questioned if Representative Keene has been able to secure Homeland Security funds for the Fire Squad replacement – Member Rich was advised that the Department has not received any news yet.

FOR THE RECORD: Administrator Spoelker advised Council that Senior Services of Northern Kentucky has submitted their request for annual financial assistance. SSNKY has assisted 188 seniors from Bellevue with transportation and meals on wheels programs.

FOR THE RECORD: Assistant City Administrator, Jody Robinson reported on the following:

November 17 Fairfield Avenue businesses will participate in Cincinnati Unchained. Support shop-local.

Fairfield Avenue Christmas walk November 23-24.

“Home for the Holidays” will be Shop Bellevue December 7 theme.

Thanks from Bellevue Renaissance to the Bellevue Neighborhood Association for their help with decorating Fairfield Avenue for the Holiday season which was recently filmed for commercial purposes to be aired on Local 12.

**FOR THE RECORD:** Member Almoslechner questioned the vacancies on the Heritage Council as indicated in Ms. Robinson report to Council.

**FOR THE RECORD:** Elusive Cow, 519 Fairfield is scheduled to open on Tuesday November 20. Opening was delayed due to plumbing code changes.

**FOR THE RECORD:** Police Chief Turner provided a written report to Council. Sergeant Estep was available for questions by Council.

**FOR THE RECORD:** Member Guidugli noted that in his opinion more enforcement of criminal activity does not necessarily indicate there is more criminals just more of a proactive approach to addressing criminal activity. Sergeant Estep reminded the audience to contact CC dispatch as well as helping the police via the police website with tips.

**FOR THE RECORD:** Fire Chief Auteri reported on the following:

Life Squad is down - fuel related parts will be replaced.

Administrative position application is available on website. Chief hopes to have someone in place by first week of December.

All fire hydrants have been winterized.

**FOR THE RECORD:** Administrator Spoelker requested Council consideration for staff approved request from First Baptist Church for special event signage.

**MOTION:** By Ratterman seconded by Guidugli that the request from First Baptist for special event signage from November 10 to November 19, 2012.

**FOR THE RECORD:** Administrator Spoelker reported that staff has two Rental Conversion applications pending – 244 Ward and 270 O’Fallon. An application for 137 Division is in the appeal process.

**FOR THE RECORD:** Eric Brown, 237 Lafayette addressed Council to express appreciation for the Police efforts to remove “bottom feeders” from Bellevue. Citizens Police Academy and B-Alerts are an excellent start. Member Guidugli noted Mr. Browns assistance to the Police with a problem drug property in his area.

**FOR THE RECORD:** Tom Quirk, 1119 Taylor addressed Council as a Fire Board Member. Mr. Quirk explained that he has been developing a matrix system which through Campbell County Dispatch indicates since January 1 the department has made 2486 runs between Bellevue and Dayton. This number is significantly larger than similar size entities. Large volume of runs attributes to the wear and tear on the vehicles. Mr. Quirk will continue to report to Council statistics such as these in the future. Member Rich asked if this information could be shared with residents via the Bellevue Community News.

**FOR THE RECORD:** Former Mayor Jack Meyer addressed Council to express his appreciation to Mayor Riehl, Council and staff for all that they have done this year and welcomed the two new Council Members.

**FOR THE RECORD:** TJ Williams addressed Council regarding the property he rehabbed at 137 Division and the status of his application for Rental Conversion funds. Mr. Williams stated he applied for conversion funds several months ago before the current fiscal year and was advised that the funds had been depleted for that year but he could apply for the upcoming fiscal year funds. Mr. Williams stated that Code Enforcement Officer Baute inspected the property to verify the 2 family status before the work was done. Mr. Williams stated he was denied funding and sited a breakdown in communication as a problem. Administrator Spoelker advised that there are Historic Preservation issues with the property relating to the windows and his application is in the appeal process. Council questioned the written policy regarding the application process and Administrator Spoelker stated that staff is reviewing the current policy.

**MOTION:** By Wiethorn seconded by Ratterman that Ordinance 2012-11-01 repealing and replacing Ordinance No. 2008-11-03 of the City of Bellevue with a new more effective and efficient Chronic Nuisance Properties Ordinance be read for a first time. Motion carried.

**MOTION:** By Ratterman seconded by Guidugli that Ordinance 2012-11-01 pass the first reading. VOTE: Yes 6 No 0. Motion carried.

**FOR THE RECORD:** Mayor Riehl explained to the viewing audience that this ordinance is based on recommendations by the Police Chief to help tighten up the window of opportunity to address problem properties. This ordinance along with the Criminal Nuisance Ordinance will address these issues.

**MOTION:** By Wiethorn seconded by Almoslechner that Ordinance 2012-11-02 amending Chapter 130.99 of the Bellevue Code of Ordinances and Ordinance 84-11-3 to update the restricted curfew times for persons under the age of eighteen be read for a first time. Motion carried.

**MOTION:** By Ratterman seconded by Wiethorn that Ordinance 2012-11-02 pass the first reading. VOTE: Yes 6 No 0. Motion carried.

**FOR THE RECORD:** This ordinance aligns with neighboring community curfew times.

**MOTION:** By Wiethorn seconded Guidugli that Ordinance 2012-11-03 a conjunctive ordinance of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Newport and the City Council of the City of Bellevue pursuant to the provision of KRS Chapter 81, amending the territorial boundaries of the two cities to provide that certain real property, more specifically described herein, shall be and is hereby added to the incorporated territorial limits of the City of Newport from the City of Bellevue and that certain real property shall be and is hereby added to the incorporated territorial limits of the City of Bellevue from the City of Newport be read for a first time. Motion carried.

**MOTION:** By Wiethorn seconded by Ratterman that Ordinance 2012-11-03 pass the first reading. VOTE: Yes 6 No 0. Motion carried.

**FOR THE RECORD:** This ordinance straightens out the border between cities and is the 2<sup>nd</sup> step in the annexation process formerly completed.

**MOTION:** By Guidugli seconded by Ratterman that Resolution 2012-11-01 approving the financing of a 2012 Dodge Durango Police vehicle and authorizing Mayor Riehl to execute a loan agreement between the City and Citizens Bank of Northern Kentucky be read. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Ratterman seconded by Rich that Resolution 2012-11-01 be adopted as read. FOR THE RECORD: Member Wiethorn questioned why the City would finance a vehicle when the funds are available to purchase outright. VOTE: Yes 4 No 0 FOR THE RECORD THE DISSENTING VOTES WERE CAST BY MEMBERS OLLIGES AND WIETHORN. Motion carried.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Almoslechner reported on the following:

Community Christmas concert will be held on December 9 from 5:00-6:00 pm location will be First Baptist Church. This year the City is asking for can good donations to benefit the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church food pantry. Immediately following will be the procession to the Bellevue Neighborhood Association Crib scene dedication.

BNA will not sponsor a home tour this year.

BNA Christmas Wreath fundraiser is underway.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Rich questioned the Administrative hours during the holidays – Office will be closed on November 22 & 23 for the Thanksgiving Holiday, December 24& 25 for the Christmas Holiday and January 1 for New Years Holiday.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Ratterman stated that Bellevue Independent will honor and dedicate the basketball court to Mike Swauger at the home game on December 21.

FOR THE RECORD: Donations for Shop with a Cop can be dropped off at the Bellevue Police Department, checks should be made payable to FOP Lodge 10.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Guidugli expressed appreciation to all who filed for Council during the recent election.

MOTION: By Rich seconded by Ratterman to adjourn at 8:10 pm Motion carried.

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Mayor Edward M. Riehl

ATTEST:

Mary H. Scott  
Mary H. Scott, City Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing meeting was held in compliance with the requirements of the appropriate provision of H.B. 100 effective 6-21-74 also referred to as KRS Ch 61 on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2012.

Mary H. Scott, City Clerk