

COUNCIL CHAMBER CITY OF BELLEVUE, CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL JANUARY 14, 2015

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

MEMBERS: Guidugli, Salzman, Poynter, Tatum, Slater and Olliges. Mayor Edward Riehl presiding.

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

FOR THE RECORD: The Honorable Judge Greg Popovich provided the ceremonial Oath of Office to Mayor and Council.

FOR THE RECORD: Mayor Riehl welcomed the new Council.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Slater that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on December 10, 2014 are accepted as received. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Salzman that the following claims be paid:

General Fund	(62)	\$ 85,413.27
General Fund (12/31/2014)	(13)	16,212.81
Capital Improvement	(2)	4,741.31
Parks	(2)	234.16
Police Forfeiture Fund	(1)	216.36
Port Bellevue (12/31/2014)	(1)	638.06
Harbor Greene Fund	(1)	60,857.61

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Salzman that the Delinquent Tax Report be turned over to the City Attorney for legal action. Motion carried.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Olliges questioned if all fees associated with collection were added to the tax amount – yes.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Salzman reported that Superintendent Smith indicated he will be providing quarterly reports to Council on School activity.

School is back for the Spring Session.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Olliges stated the Fire Board report will be provided by the Chief.

FOR THE RECORD: Mayor Riehl asked for Council consideration for cancelling the Regular Meeting of Council February 11 to allow Council to attend KLC City Night in Frankfort to meet with State Legislators.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Tatum to cancel the Regular Meeting of Council February 11, 2015 and to call for a Special Meeting of Council on February 18, 2015. Motion carried.

FOR THE RECORD: Mayor Riehl stated that he is in the process of forming six committees to address concerns and issues in conjunction with the Strategic Plan. These committees will consist of both Council Members and residents. Residents can obtain an application to serve on a committee by contacting the City or through the City website. Committee announcements will be made at the February Special Meeting of Council. Member Olliges

questioned the process stating and he would have liked to have had more notice regarding the committees.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Guidugli noted a recent KLC publication regarding information on Abandoned Properties and tools through Ordinances that Cities can have in place to address such issues. Neighboring communities are assessing large Code Enforcement Fines on properties, Bellevue is not. Member Guidugli requested Staff to look into each of the suggested Ordinances.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Olliges to direct Staff to explore all options suggested by KLC regarding abandoned properties. Motion carried.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Poynter questioned if the City placed liens on properties that are maintained by Public Services – not currently.

FOR THE RECORD: Administrator Spoelker reported on the following:

City Staff, with the assistance of Cindy Minter from Campbell County Planning and Zoning, are in the process of interviewing candidates for the position of Zoning Administrator. Eight candidates were interviewed with the list being narrowed to 3 finalists. The target date to make an offer is by the end of January.

The Ackermann Group has filed a lawsuit against the City of Bellevue regarding Harbor Greene. Insurance carrier Kentucky League of Cities will represent the City. More information will be provided when known.

Planning and Zoning met on December 18, approved text amendments regarding:

Gas Station definition in Form-based Code
Form-based Code Signage update
Short-Term Rental
Mobile Food Services

Planning and Zoning also approved the Stage 1 Development Plan for the Ashley Development townhomes.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Olliges stated he would like to see the City slow down the process for hiring a Zoning Administrator. Member Olliges would like to see the City explore other options such as a CDC. Position that would partner with the School System. Members Salzman and Poynter voiced agreement. Member Salzman expressed appreciation for the work of John Yung during November and December on the Text Amendments before Council. Administrator Spoelker advised that the Zoning Administrator is responsible for implementing the City goals and vision through the Comprehensive Plan. This position will be involved in Economic Development. Ideas from Council are welcome for the position. The City has in place the Urban Renewal Agency which with some tweaking can be transformed to a CDC (Community Development Corporation).

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

February Shop Bellevue will be in recognition of National Wear Red Hat Day, Lung and Heart disease awareness.

Third Saturday event will be a Winter Carnival Theme.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Salzman noted his meeting with Cincinnati Red Bike program, Jody Robinson is very connected in the discussion happening between Covington, Newport and Bellevue.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Salzman noted the goal of introducing the Renaissance rebranding at the February 17 Renaissance Meeting with BLDG. A community open house will be held.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Guidugli questioned the progress of the Marianne Theater Committee and if a meeting has been scheduled. Ms. Robinson advised that the committee is looking at February for a meeting date.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Tatum questioned the use of 224 Fairfield for a Blacksmith – Ms. Robinson stated that a Blacksmith artist has shown interest in the location along with 2 restaurants.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Poynter questioned the direction for the rebranding of Renaissance. Ms. Robinson advised that the goal is to bring the Main Street community together and take the next step in moving forward.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Poynter noted that the City of Falmouth and Ludlow have sold their local theatres and questioned how that would impact the Marianne Theater. Ms. Robinson advised that Bellevue still needs to figure out what will work for the Marianne Theatre in conjunction with the goals of the Comprehensive Plan. Member Slater asked if there has been any offers made on the Marianne – no formal offers. Member Olliges questioned the role of the Catalytic Fund. They would be responsible to find a qualified buyer. Member Olliges stated they should be utilized as soon as possible to help find a qualified buyer. Ms. Robinson advised the cost would be \$10,000.00 to retain the Catalytic Fund for this purpose.

MOTION: By Olliges seconded by Salzman to have staff explore the option of entering into a contract with the Catalytic Fund at a cost not to exceed \$10,000.00 for assistance in finding a qualified buyer for the purchase of the Marianne Theatre. Motion carried.

FOR THE RECORD: Police Chief Turner welcomed new Council and provided a written report to Council.

Member Slater recognized Heroin overdoses are down for December. Member Olliges asked how Bellevue compares with other cities for Heroin overdoses and Member Guidugli questioned the State efforts for legislation.

Member Salzman stated he would like to see more Bike Patrol from the Department.

Member Tatum expressed appreciation to the Department for Shop with a Cop program.

Chief Turner stated the Department will once again help with the Polar Bear Plunge on February 7 – Benefits the Special Olympics.

Bellevue will host the Northern Kentucky Police Chief awards banquet on Saturday January 17 at Daymar College. This year Sergeant Hampton will be recognized for her leadership.

FOR THE RECORD: Fire Chief Auteri welcomed new Council and reported on the following:

Provided Council with a year-end report of all Fire and EMS runs.

Next Fire Board meeting will be held on February 19 – 6pm at Bellevue.

Campbell County Fire Chiefs meeting will be hosted in Bellevue during February.

Firefighter/ Medics Shane Schnell and Mike Gullett will be recognized by Ohio Alley Cat Resource on February 23 at the A”Cat”emy Awards Ceremony held at the Phoenix Hotel for their efforts during a recent fire to save a cat.

New member on the Fire Board – Member Guidugli will act as Chair of the Fire Board. Five year Capital Plan will be presented to the Fire Board.

FOR THE RECORD: Jennifer Sierra and Tom Ranson addressed Council regarding a new online newsletter bdsunky.com. Residents and Officials are encouraged to submit articles for this Bellevue-Dayton online publication.

FOR THE RECORD: Kathy Ege, 481 Van Voast addressed Council on behalf of the Friends of Bellevue:

Tuesday February 17 – FOB will host a Mardis Gras happy hour at the B-List.

Sunday April 26 – Annual Scholarship awards dinner will be held – Riverboat cruise cost is \$35.00 per adult – kids pricing will be available.

FOR THE RECORD: Justine Ryan representing the YMCA After School Program addressed Council on a brief update. Bellevue High School will host a family event on January 28 in the High School Cafeteria from 6-8 pm. The event will showcase the after school program – donations are welcome.

FOR THE RECORD: Jim Timon, 630 Truman Lane addressed Council with the following:

City needs a plan in place to evacuate the residents in the event of a disaster. Fire Chief Auteri and Police Chief Turner advised Mr. Timon that the Safety Departments have a plan in place for such events. Both departments will work with the news media to facilitate a safe evacuation as needed.

Residents of Truman Lane need help with the water run off. Street has no sewers or curbs and nothing to stop the water run-off from the hill. Administrator Spoelker advised that Truman Lane will be addressed at the same time as Lincoln Road. Funding for this project is just getting in place. Still working with SD1 and KZF for a plan to address the situation.

Trucks delivering dirt in Dayton are causing damage to Fairfield Avenue. Trucks should be fined for causing the damage. Administrator Spoelker advised that both Cities are in discussion and aware of the issues.

FOR THE RECORD: Dee Dee Butcher, Business Owner of Circle of Hope Artisans 223 Fairfield addressed Council to advise that 22 children from Grandview participated in the Christmas shopping event. An anonymous donation of

\$200.00 was received to help fund this event. Special thanks to Sergeant Poynter for his assistance.

FOR THE RECORD: Ed Ulsas, 357 Van Voast expressed appreciation to City workers for replacing a street tree near his home.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Slater that Ordinance 2015-01-01 approving a text amendment to the Official Zoning Ordinance relating to Gas Station definition in Form-based Code, Form-based code signage update, Short-Term Rentals and Mobile Food Services be read for a first time. Motion carried.

MOTION: Guidugli seconded by Slater that Ordinance 2015-01-01 pass the first reading. FOR THE RECORD: Member Poynter questioned Ordinance verbiage stating the mobile food trucks could only locate on private property – how does this effect Bellevue Beach Park. Member Tatum asked how this would impact the Boosters fundraising efforts during the 2nd Saturday Concerts and Movie Nights at Bellevue Beach Park. Administrator Spoelker advised that the City can make allowances and variations to the Ordinance. Member Olliges asked that the language in the Ordinance be changed for the second reading to address such issues. VOTE: Yes 6 No 0. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Salzman seconded by Tatum that Order 2015-01-01 appointing Steve Guidugli as Council Representative to the Fire Board for a term to expire December 31, 2015 be read. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Olliges seconded by Slater that Order 2015-01-01 be adopted as read. FOR THE RECORD MEMBER GUIDUGLI PRESENT BUT NOT VOTING. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Tatum that Order 2015-01-02 appointing Matt Olliges as Council Representative to the Fire Board for a term to expire December 31, 2015 be read. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Tatum seconded by Poynter that Order 2015-01-02 be adopted as read. FOR THE RECORD MEMBER OLLIGES PRESENT BUT NOT VOTING. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Salzman seconded by Guidugli that Order 2015-01-03 appointing Tom Quirk as Citizen Representative to the Fire Board for a term to expire December 31, 2015 be read. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Tatum seconded by Slater that Order 2015-01-03 be adopted as read. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Tatum that Order 2015-01-04 appointing Sean Fisher to fill a vacancy on Bellevue Board of Adjustment with term to expire on February 1, 2018 be read. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Salzman that Order 2015-01-04 be adopted as read. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Slater seconded by Tatum that Order 2015-01-05 finding and declaring a Police 2007 Dodge Dakota Sport, VIN 1D7HW48K27S253792 as surplus property be read. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Tatum seconded by Slater that Order 2015-01-05 be adopted as read. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Slater that Resolution 2015-01-01 supporting the City of Bellevue commitment to the ongoing revitalization and reinvestment of its main street district be read. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Tatum seconded by Guidugli that Resolution 2015-01-01 be adopted as read. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Slater seconded by Tatum to approve the Stage 1 Development Plan for eight residential units between O'Fallon, Fuhrman and Van Voast by Ashley Development as approved by Bellevue Planning and Zoning. VOTE: Yes 6 No 0 Motion carried.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Olliges questioned when construction will begin at the Ashley Development site – spring per Administrator Spoelker.

Member Olliges asked for the process for sale of surplus property – Administrator Spoelker advised on the process stating vehicles are normally included in the City of Cincinnati Auction.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Tatum reported on Bellevue High School events:

February 7 – Sweetheart dance theme will be “Zombie Dance”.

“Ides of March” will be the Spring Play on March 13 & 14. Students involved in the production will get to participate in the Cincinnati Shakespeare Festival on April 18.

Superintendent Smith conveyed that the Education Foundation and the Alumni Foundation will be more active in meetings and are looking forward to working with the city.

Community monthly education events will be scheduled at the Callahan Center. Speakers on a various topics such as retirement and finance.

FOR THE RECORD: Mayor Riehl will participate in the Polar Bear Plunge on February 7 “Toss the Boss”. All funds raised support the Special Olympics.\

FOR THE RECORD: Member Slater requested that the concern of a resident in the Bonnie Leslie area for placement of City garbage cans in various locations such as Taylor and Glazier, Wilson and Glazier and Berry and Anspaugh be approved and Public Services address the issue. Member Guidugli stated that a City garbage can was damaged at Foote and Poplar and needs to be replaced as well.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Guidugli noted the Building Permit issued in December for \$350,000. This is the first residential construction meeting all the requirements of the Form-based Code.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Olliges requested that the fee structure for Building Permits be updated.

MOTION: By Olliges seconded by Guidugli to adjourn at 9:15 pm. Motion carried.

Mayor Edward M. Riehl

ATTEST:

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 14th day of January, 2015.

Mary H. Scott, City Clerk