

COUNCIL CHAMBER CITY OF BELLEVUE, CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL AUGUST 12, 2015

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

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

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

MOTION: By Slater seconded by Poynter that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held July 8, 2015 are accepted as received. Motion carried.

FOR THE RECORD: E-mail from Mackey Advisors to Mayor and Council supporting the new brand for the business district received and filed.

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

General Fund	(48)	\$110,752.01
General Fund (7/31/2015)	(14)	14,368.51
Capital Improvement	(5)	7,210.07
Municipal Road Aid	(3)	194.42
Parks	(11)	4,251.45
Parks (7/31/2015)	(1)	74.16
Port Bellevue (7/31/2015)	(1)	262.59

FOR THE RECORD: Member Guidugli abstained from voting on the claims to avoid a possible conflict of interest. Motion carried.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Guidugli reported on the following:

Fire Board met June 30 – discussion was on equipment.

Vacant Property Registration List has been created, twenty three properties have been sent registration forms – to date seven have been paid. Please notify Mary Scott, City Clerk of additional vacant properties.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Tatum reported that school attendance is up, over 400 enrolled in grades 6-12.

School block party was moved inside due to rain. Supplies are still welcome and arrangements can be made to have the supplies picked up.

School received a generous donation from Seven Hills Church and the Dayton Eagles Auxiliary.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Slater noted that High School Varsity sports kicks off with Volley Ball and Football. First home game for football is August 28.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Tatum reported that the new resident welcome bags are coming along, still need supplies and information to fill bags.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Poynter provided copies of an article on Ford vehicles, built durable and safety minded for Police cruisers. Police Chief noted that the department will be ordering the featured cruiser.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Olliges encouraged Council to view an article recently on the Northern Kentucky Tribune regarding a neighboring community that is struggling to pay safety personnel. Community regrets not taking the 4% increase on property taxes as a way of keeping up with the cost of doing business for the City.

FOR THE RECORD: Mayor Riehl introduced Jim Parsons from Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP. Mr. Parson presented Council with a presentation on Tax Increment Financing, history, basic information and potential as a way to encourage development within the City. Cities within Campbell County using TIF include Newport, Dayton and Highland Heights. Mr. Parson's welcomed Council questions.

MOTION: By Salzman seconded by Olliges to have staff work with Jim Parson's to develop a plan and explore the potential for Tax Increment Financing within the City of Bellevue as a tool to economic development. Motion carried.

FOR THE RECORD: Administrator Spoelker stated two additional Orders added to agenda for land slippage on North Sherry, South Sherry and Bonnie Leslie. Ordinance for stop sign on Berry at Anspaugh also added to agenda.

MOTION: By Slater seconded by Tatum to approve the request for a block party for First Baptist Church and close Williamson Alley (behind 300 block of Poplar and Prospect) on August 29. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Slater seconded by Guidugli to approve the request for a block party for the residents of the 100 block of Division from 4-10 pm on September 19. Motion carried.

FOR THE RECORD: Administrator Spoelker reported on the following:

Staff has notified all residents effected by Mayes Fest for August 18th concert, regarding parking removal and street closures.

Pilot concrete` project to reduce the trip hazards due to street trees that will cover the 100-200 blocks of Ward, Foote and Washington will be initiated. Member Tatum asked if the trees that are causing the issues will be addressed as well as the sidewalks – yes per Administrator Spoelker.

FOR THE RECORD: Jen Ruschman Chair for IN VUE (formerly Bellevue Renaissance) addressed Council to provide an update on July, August and September events:

July Car Show and Shop Bellevue was a success.

August Shop Bellevue and third Saturday event will have a 60's theme.

September Shop Bellevue will be Art IN VUE along with Art in the Park on September 12th.

Ms. Ruschman explained the process of branding for IN VUE not a brand for the City but Main Street district only. All businesses on Fairfield were asked for their input, Renaissance Board meetings were open to the public. Cost for the rebranding was \$20,000.00 which came from the City. Cost included a new vibrant look, feel, emotion and guidelines.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Salzman noted positive comments from visitors to the City regarding the banners, appreciated the open dialogue during the branding process and look forward to more excitement on the Avenue.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Poynter stated he appreciated hearing the process for branding but confused as to why the brand was incorporated into the entrance to Bellevue signage which is outside of the main street district. Member Poynter was advised that the signage replaced previous Renaissance signage. City logo is still utilized on other signage.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Tatum asked if there has been any progress made regarding the rash of thefts in the 100 block of Washington. Chief Turner advised that the department is out and stressed the importance of residents contacting dispatch if they see something unusual.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Slater referenced the traffic study for Berry Avenue indicating the large volume of vehicles that travel on Berry and those in excess of the 20 mph speed limit. Member Tatum requested to see the same study done after the installation of the stop sign at Berry and Anspaugh to see if the stop sign was effective.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Salzman reported he did a ride along with an officer recently. It was an educational experience and encouraged other Council Members to do the same.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Poynter asked if there has been any citations issued to cyclists not obeying traffic laws. Chief Turner stated no.

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

Next Fire Board meeting will be August 19.

Department received two new defibrillators. Firefighter / Medic Nick Scott used during transport and revived the person.

Department was dispatched to a boating accident, two boaters were rescued by the department.

Fire Department assisted with various community events such as; concerts in park, movies, All Star events, cruising the Avenue.

Aerial truck is having maintenance issues. Bid specs are being discussed, used apparatus is being considered.

Firefighter/Medic, JP Navin began work today.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Olliges requested a report on the Rental Inspection Program – Administrator Spoelker advised he is working on one.

FOR THE RECORD: Nancy Cremeans, 509 Covert Run addressed Council regarding water run off issues. Water is coming into her garage. Ms. Cremeans stated she has brought the issue to the City attention last July. Administrator Spoelker advised that the City Engineer has been consulted and cause of the problem cannot be determined. The water is not surface water but sub surface clean water. Old sanitation maps are being reviewed possibly an abandoned line. City will continue to research.

FOR THE RECORD: Diane Cornish, 149 Washington and new business owner of Mama C's which will open at 225 Fairfield addressed Council. New bakery should be open by month's end. Ms. Cornish stated she has been a victim of theft on Washington, ladder, picnic table and lawn mower were all stolen from her property. Speeding in the alleys are also a problem Police should be aware of.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Slater that Ordinance 2015-08-01 requiring all traffic on Berry Avenue approaching Anspaugh Avenue from the South to come to a complete stop before proceeding through said intersection and authorizing the installation of a stop sign and other warnings at that intersection be read for a first time. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Slater seconded by Salzman that Ordinance 2015-08-01 pass the first reading. FOR THE RECORD: Member Tatum stated she would like to see a Police report on traffic after the placement of the stop sign – data will be available before the September Meeting of Council per Chief Turner. Member Poynter asked why an Ordinance is needed and not up to the discretion of the Chief and Department – Chief Turner advised that Judges will ask for certified copies of Ordinances to support moving violations. Chief Turner was asked if the stop sign will make a difference and stated in his opinion it would. VOTE: Yes 5 No 1 FOR THE RECORD THE DISENTING VOTE WAS CAST BY MEMBER GUIDUGLI. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Slater that Order 2015-08-01 finding and declaring the following equipment as surplus property (Police handguns) and authorizing the Mayor to execute the sale of the same be read. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Olliges seconded by Slater that Order 2015-08-01 be adopted as read. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Slater that Order 2015-08-02 authorizing and directing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Thelen Associates for geotechnical consultant work for land slippage effected areas on North Sherry Lane be read. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Slater seconded by Guidugli that Order 2015-08-02 be adopted as read. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Slater that Order 2015-08-03 authorizing and directing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Thelen Associates for geotechnical consultant work for land slippage in the affected area of South Sherry Lane and Bonnie Leslie be read. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Slater seconded by Guidugli that Order 2015-08-03 be adopted as read. Motion carried.

FOR THE RECORD: Annual Senior Appreciation Luncheon will be held on Tuesday August 18, 2015. Event is from 11:30 – 4:00 pm at the Bellevue Veterans Club.

Public Hearing will be held on Wednesday September 9 at 6:30 pm for the purpose of hearing comments from the public regarding the proposed tax rates for the 2015-2016 fiscal year.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Slater reported that SD1 has made repairs to the area of Grandview and Lafayette.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Tatum expressed appreciation on behalf of Bellevue Schools for both Zoning Administrator Scott Enns and Public Works for their work to move a handicap parking space for a disabled student.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Salzman expressed appreciation for all who helped with the recent All Star Celebration in Bellevue.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Salzman asked if the City can become involved when a homeowner no longer needs overhead wiring coming into their house to require the utility to remove such wiring.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Tatum reported that neighbors worked to remove the ivy and weeds from a vacant property located at 118 Washington. City planted tree in front of property is dead.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Poynter noted the poor job of grass cutting at Thomas J. Wiethorn Memorial Beach Park. Clumps of grass are left behind. Pet owners are not picking up after their dogs and playground area is in need of more mulch.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Guidugli requested that everyone report vacant properties to City Clerk, Mary Scott.

August 8th 2nd Saturday Concert Series was very well attended. Boosters provided concessions and ran out of food due to the attendance.

September 12th 2nd Saturday will begin with Art in the Park from 11-5 with Concert following at 7.

MOTION: By Slater seconded by Guidugli to adjourn at 9:20 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 12th day of August, 2015.

Mary H. Scott, City Clerk