

COUNCIL CHAMBER CITY OF BELLEVUE, CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL SEPTEMBER 9, 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, Tatum, Olliges, Slater and Salzman. Mayor Edward Riehl presiding.

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

MOTION: By Slater seconded by Guidugli that Council Member Poynter be excused. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Slater seconded by Tatum that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held August 12, 2015 are accepted as received. Motion carried.

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

General Fund	(38)	\$266,708.49
General Fund (8/31/2015)	(14)	41,739.26
Capital Improvement	(4)	6,533.40
Municipal Road Aid	(3)	1,746.42
Parks	(9)	5,493.81
Parks (8/31/2015)	(1)	882.90
Port Bellevue (8/31/2015)	(2)	45,224.74

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

FOR THE RECORD: Member Salzman reported on the following school news:

Appreciation for change of signage regarding parking on S. Foote and tree trimming.

Member Salzman is sitting on School Facilities Board.

Residents happy that Bellevue Schools are getting better and do not require parents to camp out for attendance as Cincinnati magnet schools.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Salzman further reported:

Met with Seth Cutter, Jim Parson, Council Member Olliges and City staff for preliminary TIF discussion and map of proposed TIF district.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Olliges reported on the following:

Noted that next steps will be to present map with changes. Jim Parsons will identify costs and future steps in the process.

Met last week with Chris Jones and Jeremy Faust regarding EPAD (Energy Project Assessment Districts). Presentation will be made to Council – encourage Council to support.

Signage and e-mails broadcasts are still referring to “Bellevue Beach Park” and should reflect new name “Thomas J Wiethorn Memorial Beach Park”. Member Olliges requested a dedication at the park as well as all future signs, website, news articles to reflect the name change.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Slater requested additional information regarding the proposed TIF district before moving forward. Administrator Spoelker as well as Jim Parson are both willing to address any questions or concerns.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Olliges to direct staff to move forward with TIF process by establishing costs and process. Motion carried.

FOR THE RECORD: Fire Board met discussion was on replacing new aerial truck.

FOR THE RECORD: Mayor Riehl reported on the following:

Annual Senior Appreciation luncheon was a success and well attended. Appreciation to City Clerk Mary Scott, Staff and the Business community for their efforts.

2nd Saturday Concert Series will feature Whiskey Tango on September 12th from 7-10 pm. This event follows Art in the Park from 11-5 pm.

FOR THE RECORD: Jeremy Faust, Greater Cincinnati Energy Alliance addressed Council on EPAD Kentucky which is a new program available to commercial, industrial, and multi-family (4 or more units) building owners across the Commonwealth. EPADs (Energy Project Assessment Districts) provide access to low-cost, extended term capital to finance energy efficiency and water efficiency improvements. EPAD Kentucky is the implementation of a new State law adopted in 2015 (KRS 65.205). This is a totally voluntary program which does not use any public funds. The extended term financing is placed as an assessment on the property tax bill and stays with the property until the terms are met. The special assessment transfers with a new owner if sold. This program is used as an economic development tool to improve aging infrastructure. This City of Covington has adopted the program. The idea is to reduce energy / utility expenses which allows money to be reinvested into the community. Process would involve adopting an Ordinance, property owner would request to participate, upon approval of each project the EPAD assessment would be placed on the property tax bill then remitted to the investor on an annual basis.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Guidugli asked when Covington adopted – August, 2015. Member Olliges stated the Marianne Theatre would be a great example of a commercial site in need of this program. Administrator Spoelker advised that the Ordinance can be presented to Council in October for a first reading.

FOR THE RECORD: Keith Spoelker, City Administrator reported on the following:

Working with SD1 on the following projects:

Foote Avenue Sewer replacement – negotiating easement for cleaning of culvert that runs parallel to railroad tracks.

Lateral Replacement Policy – Inter local Agreement under review.

Taylor Creek Flooding – SD 1 is reviewing issues along culverts and creek along Covert Run and Stadium area.

Taylor / Eden repair - SD1 is completing an easement agreement with Waters Edge residents. Project will improve drainage at the bottom of Taylor near Eden.

Riviera sewer replacement project – no issues.

Meeting with several residents of Taylor, Bonnie Leslie, North and South Sherry on September 10 to provide information and status of grant from KY Emergency Management Agency.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Slater questioned the area on Covert Run by sink hole – per Administrator Spoelker it is just the area in the 700 block being replaced at the homeowner expense.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Tatum requested follow up on issue brought to Council in August by Nancy Cremeans, 509 Covert Run on water run off issues – per Administrator Spoelker staff is still reviewing old maps – slow process.

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

Art in the Park – Saturday September 12 from 11-5

October Shop Bellevue! The Witch is Back.

Fairfield will participate in “Pink the Town” a Breast Cancer awareness event during October.

FOR THE RECORD: Zoning Administrator Scott Enns reported on the following:

Planning and Zoning is scheduled to meet on September 24, October 22 and November 19. Meetings will begin at 7 at the Callahan Center.

Planning and Zoning met August 28 the following discussed:

Review the edited goals and Objectives of the 2015 Comprehensive Plan.

Zoning Map change for 724 Covert Run Pike requested by Shady Terrace Property Group LLC from R-1A zone to R-3MF. Map amendment is only being addressed at present – A development plan still needs to be submitted.

Requested zone change for the area zoned Shopping Center along Landmark from SC to T-5 Urban Center Zone.

Board of Adjustment will hold a Public Hearing September 21 to hear a request for a new garage at 203 Lafayette.

132 Ross condo project is beginning – contractor has been notified to keep the streets clean and a perimeter silt fence installed. Dumped concrete needs to be addressed in this area per Member Slater.

Arby’s rebuild has begun – old store has been closed to allow for new construction.

FOR THE RECORD: Police Chief Turner reported on the following:

Traffic study information on Berry submitted to Council indicates traffic has slowed since stop sign placed at Berry and Anspaugh.

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

Training provided to school bus drivers for hands on Fire Extinguisher training.

New Firefighter / Medic James “JP” Navin began on August 12.

Department attended Senior Appreciation luncheon.

Fire Board met on August 19 – next meeting will be October 20.

St. Elizabeth Hospital has contributed bottles of narcan to assist the department.

Fire truck committee has been reviewing options for replacing the ladder truck.

Cincinnati State Community College has sent 5 paramedic students to ride with department paramedics.

Member Guidugli asked if the department received any notification on the SAFER Grant – still waiting to hear.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Salzman requested consideration for resources for paid interns during the summer to assist with Code Enforcement.

FOR THE RECORD: Douglas Deaton, 811 Berry expressed appreciation for the placement of a stop sign at Berry and Anspaugh but stated there are still speeders on Berry. Mr. Deaton asked about moving violations – Chief Turner explained moving violations are not collected by the City.

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

Thank Keith Spoelker and Scott Enns for their work with Cincinnati Bell regarding cell poles.

Requested that the water run off issues from Lincoln onto Truman be addressed. Residents on Truman were promised sewers during the Lincoln Road reconstruction and are wondering the status of the project. Administrator Spoelker advised that KZF is still doing design work that should alleviate water run off onto Truman.

FOR THE RECORD: Joe Klare representing the Catalytic Fund addressed Council to announce an event which will be held in Newport on September 27 “Beyond the Curb Initiative” with the goal of attracting new residents to the urban core. Event will be held from 11-4 pm.

FOR THE RECORD: Ed Ulsas, 357 Van Voast stated that motorists are ignoring the crosswalk on Fairfield.

MOTION: By Slater seconded by Guidugli 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 second time. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Slater seconded by Tatum that Ordinance 2015-08-01 pass the second reading. VOTE: Yes 5 No 0. Motion carried. THE ORDINANCE BECAME LAW.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Slater that Ordinance 2015-09-01 levying an ad valorem tax rate for the fiscal period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 on all property located in the City of Bellevue, Kentucky. Levying an ad valorem tax rate and establishing the rates therefore and adopting the Campbell County Property Valuation Administrator's assessment on said property and providing for a tax lien against all taxable property in the City of Bellevue to secure the payment of said taxes be read for a first time. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Olliges seconded by Guidugli that Ordinance 2015-09-01 pass the first reading. VOTE: Yes 4 No 1. Motion carried. FOR THE RECORD THE DISSENTING VOTE WAS CAST BY MEMBER SLATER.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Tatum stated she would like to see residents be allowed to make monthly payments on taxes. Administrator Spoelker advised that State Law would have to be reviewed and City cash flow would be an issue. Member Guidugli explained the escrow process.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Slater that Order 2015-09-01 accepting the re-appointment of Marcus Carey, Daniel Cripe, Darryl Cummins, Robert Greene, Carolyn Lainhart, Tom Quirk, and appointment of Robert Sanders as members of the Northern Kentucky Regional Ethics Authority Enforcement Committee for a two-year term, commencing February 1, 2015 and expiring on January 31, 2017 be read. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Tatum that Order 2015-09-01 be adopted as read. Motion carried.

FOR THE RECORD: Appreciation to resident Tom Quirk for volunteering on this Board as well as Cable and Fire Board.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Slater to approve the closure of Covert Run from Berry to Swope Park on September 26 from 8 am to 8 pm for the High School band competition. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Slater seconded by Tatum to approve the request for the annual Homecoming Parade on September 17 beginning at 6:30 pm starting at the Callahan Center. Motion carried.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Tatum announced school activities:

Little Hoopsters will be held during November and December for boys and girls grades 4-8.

Grandview Girls on the Run program begins for grades 3-5.

Grandview Fall Festival October 2 – 5-8 pm

Bellevue High School – ink recycling program.

Box tops and labels program – drop off at High School or Grandview.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Slater reminded that Friends of Bellevue will be selling Craft Beer at Art in the Park along with doll house raffle chances.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Guidugli stated Arbys rebuild as a great example for form based code.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Salzman suggested Council consideration for a succession plan for Council.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Salzman that Council go into Executive Session at 8:38 pm in accordance with KRS 61.810 (a) deliberations on the future acquisition or sale of real property. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Slater seconded by Tatum to return to Regular Session at 9:26 pm. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Tatum for the City to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Hardman Investments to pursue development of the Marianne Theatre. The Memorandum of Understanding should have a 90 day term with two 90 day renewal terms if progress toward a sale is evident. VOTE: Yes 5 No 0. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Slater seconded by Guidugli to adjourn at 9:28 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 9th day of September, 2015.

Mary H. Scott, City Clerk