

COUNCIL CHAMBER CITY OF BELLEVUE, CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL JANUARY 8, 2020

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

MEMBERS Witte, Kruse, Guidugli, Salzman, Hogan and Fisher. Mayor Charlie Cleves presiding.

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

MOTION By Kruse seconded by Guidugli that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council December 11, 2019 are accepted as received. Motion carried.

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

General Fund	(38)	\$ 47,006.28
General Fund (12/31/2019)	(11)	64,622.73
Capital Improvement	(3)	1,409.05
Capital Improvement (12/31/2019)	(1)	2,630.38
Parks Fund	(2)	1,223.90
Municipal Road Aid	(3)	2,000.50
Port Bellevue	(1)	50,000.00
Port Bellevue (12/31/2019)	(2)	858.60
Lincoln Road	(1)	1,123.00
Harbor Greene Fund	(1)	143,232.51

Motion carried.

MOTION By Guidugli seconded by Fisher that the 2020 delinquent tax report representing properties two years delinquent be turned over to the City Attorney for foreclosure action. Motion carried.

FOR THE RECORD: Council Member Salzman reported on the following:

Meeting of the Transit Advisory Board (TAB) was held last night. In attendance was Board Chair Jeremy Worley, Council Members Hogan and Salzman, Matt Buttler and City Engineer Mike Yeager. Discussion included the addition of bollards on Fairfield by Port Bellevue which should help with sidewalk and pedestrian safety issues. This was paid for by the State of Kentucky at an estimated cost of over \$20,000. Special thanks to Mike Yeager for his efforts to get this done as well as providing input to the Board. Mr. Yeager requested assistance from the Transit Advisory Board for the implementation of the 2022 Donnermeyer Drive renovation. The Transit Advisory Board will be focusing on the intersection of Washington and Fairfield for ideas to implement for safety.

Member Salzman attended a meeting today for the proposed route change for Tank / Southbank Shuttle, which should increase the number of stops to the area.

FOR THE RECORD: Council Member Guidugli attended the Bellevue Dayton Fire Board Meeting. Medic Unit was discussed.

FOR THE RECORD: Mayor Cleves reported that the Sesquicentennial Leadership Committee will be holding an Informational Fair, noon to 4 pm January 11 and 12. This will be at the Callahan Community Center and will provide residents the opportunity to sign up to be on a committee or just to obtain more information on the events that will take place during 2020. Residents who cannot attend can always contact City Hall for additional information.

FOR THE RECORD: Mayor Cleves provided his Annual State of the City Address highlighting the following achievements during 2019.

Appreciation to the Board of Council and all City Staff for their input and help, together making a great team.

Lincoln Road reconstruction – with the help of City Engineer Mike Yeager of Integrated Engineering surveys have been completed. Data reviewed and a redesign of the area will reduce the cost previously estimated at 2.5 million to approximately \$500,000, which will be cost shared with SD1.

Bellevue Entertainment District (BED) – City Attorney Dave Fessler brought the idea for discussion. The State license was obtained and the roll out of the BED was held in conjunction with the Fairfield Avenue Christmas Walk. News media embraced the story and the event was well attended.

FEMA Hillside Slippage – The slippage was brought to the City by resident Tom Gerrein in 2008. Prior Administration began working with FEMA in 2014. The project involves twenty- three residents from N. & S. Sherry as well as Bonnie Leslie who all needed to sign documents stating they will agree to a 13% cost share. Agreements are now signed City will need to front the money and will be looking at a bond agreement.

Code Enforcement – Tom McDaniel now serves as Code Enforcement Officer. Compliance is his objective. The Code Enforcement Board is now active.

Mini Grants – Council requested mini grants to be made available for neighborhood groups. The grants are for \$150.00 and can be used for children’s activities or port-a lets.

Donnermeyer Drive Grant – City Engineer Mike Yeager assisted with obtaining a grant for Donnermeyer Drive improvements totaling \$792,000.00. The grant is for improve safety, walkability, biking, lighting, signage and aesthetics. Grant period begins July 2022 with will allow the City to budget over the next fiscal year City share of 20% (\$158,400.).

Sidewalk extension on S. Foote for Grandview Elementary. City Engineer Mike Yeager applied for this grant to complete the sidewalks behind Grandview. City was awarded \$100,000. From OKI.

Additional grants applied for an awarded – FEMA Beach Park Flooding/ Anspaugh, 10,826., 6,000.00 Duke Energy grant for park improvement, \$6,000. Historic Preservation, \$1,249 Police Vest and Litter Abatement funds of \$2,620.00.

Additional highlights for 2019 include:

- Kroger Gas Station – property obtained.
- Tree Board has been reactivated.
- City passed regulations on Short Term Rentals.
- Fleet maintenance program.
- Established a street priority list.
- Passed a Human Rights Ordinance.
- Community Garden makeover.
- BNA beautification of the Avenue and more – special thanks to the hard work of Diane Witte, Collin Witte, Kathy Barrett and new residents the McPhails.
- Council eliminated the BAR ID requirement and fees associated with outdoor dining. Both to create a business friendly environment.
- Increased communication for the residents through monthly newsletter, Staff through weekly staff meetings, Council through annual Vision Meeting and Businesses / Schools through the Ambassador Program. Mayor and Administrator visit a business or school on a monthly basis to discuss concerns.
- Bellevue Veterans Club – Cincinnati Reds and St. Elizabeth partnered for the makeover of the fields which included drainage, synthetic infield, press box, lighting and landscaping. Great job by Terry Hatton and the Bellevue Veterans Club members in making this a showcase for the youth.
- Sesquicentennial – Bellevue is ready to celebrate with year long events planned.
- Kent Lofts – Renovation of the former Kent manufacturing into luxury apartments is near completion.
- Waffle House – Construction beginning in February.
- Bike Racks placed throughout town.

These accomplishments have been reached through a great leadership team of Council, Administrator Frank Warnock and staff.

FOR THE RECORD: Mayor Cleves announced that the City will hold a Special Meeting of Council 7:15 pm January 9, 2020 at the Callahan Community Center to read Ordinances 2020-01-01 and Ordinance 2020-01-02.

FOR THE RECORD: Mayor Cleves announced that the City will cancel the Regular Meeting of Council on February 12, 2020 to allow Council attendance for the Kentucky League of Cities day/night in Frankfort. The City will hold a Special Meeting of Council 7 pm February 13.

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

Written report provided to Council.
Department participated in Anti Grinch Program.
Department provided gifts and food for a needy family.

FOR THE RECORD: Administrator Warnock requested Chief input for the possibility of changing the 200 block of Center Street to one way going west from Taylor to Lafayette. Chief supports the idea noting that this will help with delivery trucks as well. School Superintendent supports the idea as well.

FOR THE RECORD: Fire Captain Adam Hall reported on behalf of the Fire Department:

Fire Union provided gifts and food through donations for needy families for both Bellevue and Dayton. This year 10 families benefited with thirty-two kids of which twenty children received new bikes and helmets.

Runs up this year and they are anticipated to increase in 2020 due to population increase with new construction in both cities.

Department had a recent resignation – seeking qualified applicants.

Department will need look at options for the medic unit – consideration for new unit as well as keeping the box and replacing the engine.

FOR THE RECORD: Code Enforcement Officer Tom McDaniel reported on the following:

Written report provided to Council.

Rental Inspections will begin with the 2020 renewal process.

FOR THE RECORD: Community Development Director Jody Robinson requested Council consideration for allowing staff to review requests for Street and Alley closures. Event planners will need to submit a form that includes confirmation of notifying adjacent neighbors impacted by the closure.

FOR THE RECORD: Rick Mallery Public Services Foreman reported on the following:

Written report provided to Council.

150th Event signage installed at Donnermeyer and Memorial.

FOR THE RECORD: City Administrator Frank Warnock reported on the following:

FEMA Hillside slippage - All 23 residents have committed to their cost sharing for the project (13%). Meeting will be held with Bond Counsel to secure the funds the City will have to front for the project.

Annual Vision Session with Council and Staff will be held on Saturday February 8 at 9 am.

City received a Litter Abatement Grant in the amount of \$2,620.00.

FOR THE RECORD: Rachael Roberts candidate for the vacated State Representative seat approached Council to request support. Special Election will be held February 25. Regular election will be held in November.

FOR THE RECORD: Adam Blau, Ft. Thomas Council Member addressed Council to support the City changing the Sunday sales to 9 am. Mr. Blau stated Ft. Thomas will also be addressing this issue to be more business friendly.

FOR THE RECORD: City Attorney Dave Fessler read Order 2020-01-01 reappointing Jill Fessler to serve on Historic Preservation with term to expire February 1, 2023.

MOTION By Guidugli seconded by Hogan that Order 2020-01-01 be adopted. Motion carried.

FOR THE RECORD: City Attorney Dave Fessler read Order 2020-01-02 authorizing the Mayor to make application for and, upon approval, to enter into an agreement with the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security (KOHS), to execute any documents which are deemed necessary by KOHS to

facilitate and administer the project and to act as the authorized.

MOTION By Kruse seconded by Fisher that Order 2020-01-02 be adopted as read. Motion carried.

FOR THE RECORD: City Attorney Dave Fessler read for a first time Ordinance 2020-01-01 emending Chapter 90 of the Bellevue Code of Ordinances to increase the number of dogs allowed in a household from two to three, and allowing more dogs in a household under certain circumstances; and, removing breed specific references from Chapter 90.97.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Kruse noted Council worked together on this and anticipate easier enforcement.

FOR THE RECORD: City Attorney Dave Fessler read Ordinance 2020-01-02 for a first time changing the time when distilled spirits, wine and malt beverages may be sold at retail from 11 a.m. on Sundays to 9 a.m. on Sundays in the City of Bellevue.

FOR THE RECORD: Member Fisher expressed appreciation on the process of reaching out to other cities and license holders before the change. Member Fisher expressed appreciation for the leadership from senior Council Members Guidugli and Salzman.

MOTION By Guidugli seconded by Fisher to adjourn at 8:00 pm. Motion carried.

Mayor Charlie Cleves

ATTEST

Mary H. Scott, City Clerk