

COUNCIL CHAMBER CITY OF BELLEVUE, CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL FEBRUARY 27, 2021

Board of Council met in special session on the above date at 9 a.m. Administrator Warnock stated the purpose of the meeting was to hold a visioning session to identify important issues in Bellevue, provide realistic assessment of resources, create goals to address issues and develop strategies to achieve goals. Planning and discussion session for the Mayor, Board of Council and staff. Broad, general and specific ideas and proposals involving staffing, operations, budgeting, challenges, police, fire, administrative, code enforcement, engineering, marketing, zoning, legal and establishing and prioritizing goals and objectives discussed.

Those in attendance: Mayor Cleves, Council Members Salzman, Kruse, Witte, Hogan, Fisher and Guidugli.  
Staff members: Administrator Frank Warnock, City Attorney Dave Fessler, City Clerk-Treasurer Mary Scott, Police Chief Leland Estep, Police Lieutenant Jon McClain, Fire Chief Chris Adkins, Public Works foreman Rick Mallery, City Engineer Mike Yeager, Marketing and Communications Melissa Morandi and Campbell County Zoning Administrator Cindy Minter.

FOR THE RECORD: Each staff member gave a presentation to Council with a description of their department, duties and goals.

FOR THE RECORD: Mayor Cleves addressed his plan:

1. FEMA hillside stabilization project is our highest priority.
2. Riverfront development.
3. Marianne Theatre.
4. Utilizing grants.
5. Lincoln Road completion.
6. Redevelopment of 724 Covert Run.
7. Covert Run water run-off issues.
8. Donnermeyer Drive improvement project.
9. Water taxi behind 119 Fairfield.
10. Lease on property known as Joe's Crab Shack.
11. Redevelopment of property at 15 Donnermeyer Drive.
12. Seek grants for the purchase of 331 Fairfield to create a Municipal lot with public restrooms.
13. Seek grant to create a fishing pier of Thomas J. Wiethorn Memorial Beach Park.
14. Creation of a parking lot near O'Fallon and Frank Benke Way.
15. Development of 3.583 acres of City owned property between Colfax and Berry.
16. City owned lots on Lincoln, consider use of.
17. Necessary repairs to City Hall.

18. Streets, sidewalks, trees and alleys.
19. Completion of S. Ward.
20. Private and Public partnerships for parks.
21. Kayak launching site at Beach Park.
22. Development of Dog Park on city owned property adjacent to Bellevue Vet's.
23. InVue events.

FOR THE RECORD: City Council stated their vision for Bellevue:

Member Steve Guidugli

1. Sell off the Harbor Greene property and the Marianne. Hire a professional commercial real estate firm to sell.
2. Commit more dollars for repair and repaving of streets, consider a property assessment if needed.
3. Mandatory totes for trash – either vendor provided or purchased by homeowner.
4. City wide recycling in next contract.
5. Tree planting should be directed by the City Administrator not a Tree Board member.
6. Pedestrian cross walks on Fairfield and other high traffic areas should be brightly and clearly marked and raised pavement installed for safety.
7. Redevelopment of Donnermeyer Drive to include an island in the center where possible for division and for landscaping.
8. Would like to see something of value to honor former Mayor Jack Meyer for over thirty years of service and many accomplishments to the City.

Member Ryan Salzman

1. Bellevue Urban Renewal and Community Development (BURCDA) discussion on reactivation or dissolving. Current funds in BURCDA could be used for multimodal transit and pedestrian safety. Would like to see \$100,000.00 allocated toward the Transit Authority Board for pedestrian safety and multimodal transit and \$100,000.00 allocated for parks. Park Board should be considered.

Member Sean Fisher

1. Capitalize on assets and leverage man power.
2. Invest in walkability particularly the 100 block of Fairfield and the Taylor Avenue business district.
3. Invest in the Parks.
4. Riverfront development, possibly limit focus to a portion of the development.
5. All grants matching.
6. Public recycling and alternatives should be considered.

Member Pat Hogan

1. Support recommendations made today by Council.
2. Fire Department - consider restructuring compensation for the department to retain personnel.
3. Creation of Parks Board.
4. Activate BURCDA include grant from BURCDA to support redevelopment of Marianne. Grants for Taylor Avenue business district.
5. Allocation of funds for Transit Authority Board. Consideration for solar lights for alleys.
6. Long term hill side slippage policy. Set a budget for each year.

Member Shauna Kruse

1. Bump outs on Fairfield.
2. Consider marketing of Bellevue as a destination.
3. Include an island for the Donnermeyer redesign.
4. Support the Fire Department.

Member Scott Witte

1. Consider creating a marketing video of Bellevue.
2. Attracting a significant employer to Bellevue.
3. TIF District utilization.
4. Consider utilizing the Thomas J. Wiethorn Memorial Beach Park for all four seasons with addition of ice rink in winter and Farmers Market.
5. Corners on Fairfield are dark.
6. Legal action to work with other cities to get State to make necessary improvements to Rt 8 where collapse has occurred.
7. Ban the use of Roundup by City employees.
8. Would like to see Public Services display the same positive energy for tree plantings as they have for snow removal.
9. Would like to see help given to small businesses similar to what the City of Dayton is doing.
10. Would like to see Tom McDaniel receive training on Historic Preservation and what to look for to maintain the Historic Preservation standards.

MOTION By Kruse seconded by Guidugli to adjourn at 12:15 pm.

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Mayor Charlie Cleves

ATTEST:

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Mary H. Scott, City Clerk

