

COUNCIL CHAMBER CITY OF BELLEVUE, CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL FEBRUARY 11, 2026

Board of Council met in regular session on the above date at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Charlie Cleves called the meeting to order. The following answered roll call:

MEMBERS: Harp, Bothman, Guidugli, Ondeck, Almoslechner and Kruse. Mayor Charlie Cleves presiding.

MOTION: By Ondeck seconded by Almoslechner that the Minutes of Regular Council on January 14, 2026 are accepted as received. Motion carried.

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

General Fund	(47)	\$	99,730.22
General Fund (1/31/26)	(8)		264,812.85
Port Bellevue (1/31/26)	(1)		185.06
Capital Improvement	(1)		23.36
City Events	(2)		5,277.64
Municipal Road Aid	(5)		16,761.82
Parks	(1)		1,699.91

Motion carried.

FOR THE RECORD: Councilmember Bothman provided a BNA update. Their first Happy Hour will be on 2/26 at the B-List from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Thanked In Vue, Weller Haus and Vine & Rind for a great mix and mingle. The Eagles are planning on having a Mother’s Day event. More details to come.

FOR THE RECORD: Mayor Charlie Cleves reported on the following:

Marketing and Communications Director, Melissa Morandi has resigned. She will be working through the end of the month.

Bellevue Winter Carnival and Chili Cookout – February 28th, 11 – 2 p.m. Also, the kickoff of Read Ready Bellevue.

First Friday: Chocolate, Charm and a little luck – March 6th.

FOR THE RECORD: Police Chief Jon McClain stated his report is provided in the packet and reported on the following:

Chief McClain presented Proclamation 2026-02-01 to the family of Jeff Fischer.

The two recruits are now on their own and doing very well.

The Police Department annual report is on the website and Facebook.

Chief McClain presented the 'Officer of the Year Award' to Officer Austin Begley.

Officer Brown presented the 'Community Award' to Rob Sanders.

FOR THE RECORD:

Fire Chief Brent Schafer stated his report is provided in the packet and reported on the following:

151 runs, 57 fire, 94 EMS.

There were 5 structure fires between the two cities.

The ladder truck was sent to South Dakota to get repainted.

Fire Board meeting next Thursday at 6 p.m.

FOR THE RECORD:

Code Enforcement Director Tom McDaniel stated his report is in the packet.

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Bev McPhail, Public Services laborer stated their report is provided in the packet.

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City Administrator Frank Warnock reported the mayor, elected officials and department leaders met this past Saturday for a FY27 vision session. It was a productive meeting and good ideas were shared.

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Daniel Elmlinger provided a BNA update. Thanked the City for 20 years of collaboration.

MOTION:

By Guidugli seconded by Almoslechner that Ordinance 2026-01-01 an ordinance amending § 31.31 – Penalties and Interest rate on unpaid portion of delinquent ad valorem taxes; lien – to allow for an extension of the ad valorem tax due date if the deadline falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Federally recognized legal holiday pass. VOTE: Yes 6 No 0. Motion carried. THE ORDINANCE BECAME LAW.

MOTION:

By Guidugli seconded by Kruse that Ordinance 2026-01-02 an ordinance regulating the growing and spreading of invasive plant species pass. VOTE: Yes 6 No 0. Motion carried. THE ORDINANCE BECAME LAW.

MOTION:

By Harp seconded by Bothman that Order 2026-02-01 an ordering appointing Pat Hogan to the Bellevue Planning and Zoning Commission pass. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Ondeck seconded by Bothman that Order 2026-02-02 an order approving a social contract between the mayor, members of the Bellevue Board of Council and City Administrator pass. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Guidugli seconded by Almoslechner that Order 2026-02-03 an order to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the Northern Kentucky Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Inc. pass. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Kruse seconded by Bothman that Proclamation 2026-02-01 a proclamation remembering the life of Jeff Fischer and declaring February 11, 2026, as “Jeff Fischer Day” in the City of Bellevue pass. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Kruse seconded by Guidugli that Resolution 2026-02-01 a resolution opposing SB 112 and HB 518 pass. Motion carried.

MOTION: By Kruse second by Harp to adjourn at 7:32 p.m. Motion carried.

Mayor, Charlie Cleves

ATTEST:

Lindy Jenkins
City Clerk/Treasurer