

CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS, MO
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL OPEN
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING

Thursday November 13, 2025 6:00 p.m.

The Board of Aldermen met for an open meeting on Thursday, November 13, 2025 via zoom.

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Thomas presided over the meeting and called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Mayor Thomas lead all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Mayor Thomas requested a roll call. The following Alderpersons answered "Present": Alderwoman Dailes, Alderwoman Hester, Alderman Gillespie, Alderwoman Nunley and Alderwoman Harmon-Ward. Five aldermen were present at roll call. There was a quorum.

Also present were City Clerk Denise Johnson and City Attorney Sam Alton. Alderwoman Smith joined at 6:05 p.m. and Alderman Wiese joined at 6:12 p.m.

Approval of the Agenda

Motioned by Alderwoman Dailes and seconded by Alderwoman Harmon-Ward to approve the agenda as presented.

Mayor Thomas called for the vote.

The Aldermen voted as follows: Alderwoman Dailes "Yes", Alderwoman Hester "Yes", Alderman Gillespie "Yes", Alderwoman Nunley "Yes", and Alderwoman Harmon-Ward "Yes". The vote being five "Yes" votes. Motion passed.

1st Order of Business Discussion/Action – Invoices and Requisitions

Mayor Thomas requested board action on the unpaid bills list through Oct. 31, 2025.

Motioned by Alderwoman Dailes and seconded by Alderwoman Harmon-Ward to pay the unpaid city bills from October 1st through October 31st, 2025 in the amount of \$152,490.30 as presented.

Mayor Thomas called for any questions. Alderwoman Hester noted that she and Alderwoman Dailes met to review the bills and wanted to confirm the final amount increased and two bills were missing. Alderwoman Dailes stated that the increased amount was due to the addition of the United Petroleum invoice and the missing bills were either paid or under the \$500 limit. Some other bills will appear on the next list.

Alderman Smith noted that some of the under \$500 invoices were mixed in with the over \$500 invoices and that was a concern.

Mayor Thomas called for the vote.

The Aldermen voted as follows: Alderman Dailes "Yes", Alderman Hester "Yes", Alderman Gillespie "Yes", Alderman Nunley "Yes", Alderman Harmon-Ward "Yes", Alderman Smith "Abstain", and Alderman Wiese could not vote at the time. The vote being five "Yes" votes and one abstention Motion passed.

2nd Order of Business Discussion/Action – Holiday Staff Party

Mayor Thomas requested board discussion and action on hosting a holiday staff party on Friday, December 19, 2025 at city hall. He also presented a food catering proposal for the event in the amount of \$1,300.

Motioned by Alderman Dailes and seconded by Alderman Smith to approve hosting a holiday staff party in the amount of \$1,300.

Mayor Thomas stated all staff including officials are invited and requested a vote.

The Aldermen voted as follows: Alderman Dailes "Yes", Alderman Hester "Yes", Alderman Gillespie "Yes", Alderman Nunley "Yes", Alderman Harmon-Ward "Yes", Alderman Smith "Yes", and Alderman Wiese "Yes". The vote being seven "Yes" votes. Motion passed.

3rd Order of Business Discussion/Action – Introduction of New Employee

Mayor Thomas introduced the newly hired Code Officer, Mr. John Heitman, to the Board.

Mr. Heitman introduced himself and noted that he has been in code enforcement for over 25 years. The board welcomed Mr. Heitman to service with the City of Bellefontaine Neighbors.

Adjournment

Mayor Thomas called for the adjournment.

Motioned by Alderman Dailes and seconded by Alderman Hester to adjourn.

The Aldermen voted as follows: Alderman Dailes "Yes", Alderman Hester "Yes", Alderman Gillespie "Yes", Alderman Nunley "Yes", Alderman Harmon-Ward "Yes", Alderman Smith "Yes", and Alderman Wiese "Yes". The vote being seven "Yes" votes. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

ATTEST

James W. Thomas
Mayor
James W. Thomas

Denise Johnson
City Clerk
Denise Johnson

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