CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES February 2, 2012

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY Mayor Robert J. Doerr at 7:30 p.m. Copies of all ordinances and resolutions to be considered at the meeting were made available for public inspection prior to the time of consideration by the Board of Aldermen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG was led by Mayor Doerr.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Doerr, Chief Pruett, City Clerk Deni Donovan, Alderman Paro, Alderman Migliazzo, Alderman Glenzy, Alderman Merz, Alderman Roth, Alderman Jordan, Alderman Hollis, and Alderman Smith.

ABSENT: City Collector Mark Tranel

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Alderman Jordan moved for the approval of the Agenda, seconded by Alderman Merz. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION OF THE UNAPPROVED BOARD MINUTES: Alderman Jordan moved for the approval of the January 19, 2012,, Minutes of the Board of Alderman Meeting, seconded by Alderman Roth. Motion carried unanimously.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Alderman Jordan moved to open the meeting to the public, as long as the Mayor deems necessary, seconded by Alderman Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

DON ANTAL, **645 GLEASON:** Commended all the people who worked on the street updates, but had a complaint regarding 645 and 639 Gleason; the curbing was not done properly. There is a lot of debris and standing water ever since the Water Company redid the streets. At this time, Mr. Antal produced a letter for the Mayor and Board to review; the City Clerk will scan in and send to them. The Mayor said he would look into the matter.

KATHY MASON, 1013 DONNELL: Asked the Chief to thank the Officer who helped her in a time of need last Sunday. She was having a diabetic reaction and saw an Officer outside dealing with an accident. He was extremely helpful to her.

Mayor Doerr asked if anyone else wished to address the Board. Hearing none, Alderman Jordan moved to bring the meeting back to the Board, seconded by Alderman Hollis. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSION AND BOARD REPORTS:

PUBLIC SAFETY: The Board reviewed the January, 2012, Minutes. Chief Pruett stated he was not the one to request that an Ordinance be prepared against the sale of Pseudo ephedrine; it was Chairman Ed Meier. It was noted there were (6) volunteers signed up for the Citizen's Police Academy held in Ferguson.

YOUTH COMMISSION: The Board reviewed the January, 2012, Minutes. Alderman Jordan reminded everyone Youth in Government and the Bike Rodeo are coming up.

IMAGE & BEAUTIFICATION BOARD: No Meeting.

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD: The Board reviewed the January, 2012, Minutes.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR: Mark asked for Board approval to hire Lakeside Roofing for the roof repairs; he received the following bids: Frederic Roofing, \$23,092; Lakeside Roofing, \$9,418; and Ferguson Roofing, \$11,500. He stated Lakeside does pay prevailing wages.

Based on Supervisor Dickerson's recommendation, Alderman Glenzy made a motion to accept the bid from Lakeside Roofing, seconded by Alderman Roth. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark, also, asked for Board approval to purchase cordless microphones to replace the (2) broken mics and receivers and to repair the mic jacks in the gym for a total of \$1471.15. Alderman Glenzy made a motion, based on Supervisor Dickerson's recommendation, to approve the purchase, seconded by Alderman Roth. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark also is looking at pricing for an amplifier for outdoor events. He is currently accepting bids to update the restrooms at the Rec Center. The landscaping blocks project is complete. Mark Sanders "takes great pride in his work". Pricing for an electronic side in front of City Hall is in the works too.

CITY ATTORNEY: Per Alderman Hollis's request, the City Attorney reviewed an article titled "Occupy the Neighborhood: How Counties Can Use Land Banks and Eminent Domain. He feels this would not work in Missouri. It is very difficult to establish ownership of certain properties due to shabby record keeping sometimes. Someone needs to be paid for the property. To take on a project like this, the City would need funds to purchase properties, improve them and then sell. This whole thing may cause significant problems.

As an afterthought, Mr. O'Keefe wished everyone Happy Groundhog's Day (since he's from Pennsylvania).

CHIEF PRUETT: Nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Alderman Roth made a motion to amend Bill #2289 by the text of Bill #2289.1, seconded by Alderman Migliazzo. Motion carried unanimously.

BIII No. 2289.1 - INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN ROTH

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 21 OF THE BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS CITY CODE RELATING TO ORGANIZATION OF RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The 1st reading was on January 19, 2012, for Bill #2289. Alderman Roth read Bill No. 2289.1 for a second time and thereafter made a motion that the Bill be approved by the Board of Aldermen for enactment as an Ordinance, seconded by Alderman Jordan. Motion carried unanimously. **Upon the roll being called the votes were cast as follows:** Alderman Roth, yes; Alderman Hollis, yes: Alderman Merz, yes; Alderman Smith, yes; Alderman Migliazzo, yes; Alderman Jordan, yes; Alderman Glenzy, yes; and Alderman Paro.

The majority of the members elected to the Board of Aldermen having voted for passage of Bill No. 2289.1, the bill was passed by the Board and will become Ordinance No. 2208 when and if signed by the Mayor.

NEW BUSINESS:

REPORT OF THE MAYOR: Mayor Bob Doerr reported on the "Everything Tax". He read a portion from an article in the Missouri Municipal League's January Newsletter about this issue. If passed, the Mayor said this would "devastate the City". This is not just a legislative issue, but we should expect solicitor's to be at the polling places in April. It was recommended the Board take a position. Alderman Jordan made a motion for the City Attorney to prepare a Bill opposing the "everything tax", seconded by Alderman Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OF THE ALDERMEN:

ALDERMAN HOLLIS: No report given.

ALDERMAN JORDAN: He would like to reaffirm what the Mayor said about the "everything tax". Also, the issue of the Pool City Tax issue is very important. He attended the Municipal League's monthly meeting on January 26th (with Alderman Smith). They suggested having your city approve a ¼ cent tax raise. St. Louis County would like to do the same, but they are not able.

ALDERMAN ROTH: Stated he agrees with everything reported on by Alderman Jordan.

ALDERMAN MERZ: No report given.

ALDERMAN MIGLIAZZO: No report given.

ALDERMAN PARO: At the Neighborhood Watch Meeting, it was determined to have some of the training classes for the Neighborhood Ownership Program to be during the day. There will be classes on February 24th at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. The Newsletter will be going out this weekend.

ALDERMAN GLENZY: No report given.

ALDERMAN SMITH: Regarding the "everything tax", there is a good article in the Municipal Review. He said County Executive Dooley is very upset with this, but the County needs to fend for themselves. He reported he is going to attend the MML Annual Conference in Jefferson City on February 14-15.

CITY COLLECTOR: Mark Tranel was excused.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Alderman Jordan moved to open the meeting to the public as long as the Mayor deems necessary, seconded by Alderman Migliazzo. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Doerr asked if anyone wished to address the Board. Hearing none, Alderman Jordan moved to bring the meeting back to the Board, seconded by Alderman Hollis. Motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Jordan made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Alderman Merz. Motion carried unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

ATTEST:

Deni Donovan, City Clerk