# CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES January 2, 2014

**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 Robert J. Doerr, Chief Pruett, City Attorney Kevin O'Keefe, City Collector Mark Tranel, City Clerk Deni Donovan, Alderman Migliazzo, Alderman Paro, Alderman Schultz, Alderman Merz, Alderman Jordan, Alderman Roth, Alderman Smith, and Alderman Hollis.

#### ABSENT:

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

PRESENTATION OF THE UNAPPROVED MINUTES: Alderman Smith moved for approval of the November 21, 2013, Minutes of the Board of Alderman Meeting, amended to include Alderman Hollis "present", seconded by Alderman Roth. Motion carried unanimously.

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

At this time, Chief Pruett introduced newly hired Officer Alex Pflueger; he was sworn in by City Clerk, Deni Donovan.

**DAVID DEVORE, DIVISION INPECTOR WITH MSD:** Mr. Devore gave a presentation on MSD's Sewer Connection & Septic Tank Closure Program. The need is to find homeowners who are eligible. He would appreciate help from the Aldermen. Once a homeowner becomes eligible, it will be about a (2) year project from start to finish.

LARRY PITCHER, LEAD PLUMBING INSPECTOR WITH ST. LOUIS COUNTY: St. Louis County is working with MSD to promote this project. He outlined the steps that would be taken by the County in their work with MSD.

Mayor Doerr said the city will work to promote this program by putting together a good list of homes on septic; distinguishing homeowners vs. renters; and mailing out letters to those who may qualify.

MIKE PETROFF, 1404 COBURG LANDS: Mike had some concerns with all of the "ifs" and other variables there seem to be in trying to get this project going. Mr. Devore understood his questions and would like to meet with Mike after the meeting.

**KATHY MASON, 1013 DONNELL:** Kathy relayed a story about how her family grew up on septic and what a problem it turned out to be.

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

A brief discussion was held about those homeowners who have never come to City Hall to ask for their \$28.00 reimbursement for being on septic and not a sewer line. Kevin explained the city is not liable to pay the residents at all, so we do not have to go back all the years they didn't ask for their reimbursement. The city has chosen to reimburse the homeowners and to go back (3) years.

## COMMISSION AND BOARD REPORTS:

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION:** No meeting held. The next meeting will be January 23, 2014. Alderman Hollis had no report.

**YOUTH COMMISSION:** No meeting held. Alderman Schultz reported they are still trying to put together a D.A.R.E. Dance in February; he needs to check with Sgt. Vassallo. The next meeting will be January 20, 2014.

**IMAGE & BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION:** The Board reviewed the December 17, 2013 Minutes. Alderman Smith reported the Christmas winners were picked. The next meeting is March 11, 2014.

PARKS BOARD COMMISSION: No meeting held. The next meeting will be January 21, 2014.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR: Mark Dickerson said they are getting ready for the winter sessions and working on maintenance issues. Mayor Doerr said he was happy to see Kris Boston using the new snow blower. Alderman Paro would like to meet with Mark and Amy to discuss delivery dates for the entire year for when the Newsletters will be delivered by the new Troop.

CITY ATTORNEY: No report given.

CHIEF PRUETT: Chief Pruett reported on the crime comparison statistics from last year at the same time; overall, crime is down 40%. He told the Board about the Crime Prevention Checks the Police have been issuing to residents to try and deter crime. This form serves as a warning to residents who may be a victim of crime if they do not adhere to the law; such as leaving the car running or having an open garage door. The Chief reported the Traffic Division will begin working 12 hour shifts instead of 8.

CITY COLLECTOR: Collector Tranel reported the last (3) businesses have gotten their liquor licenses. He will be working on delinquent Occupancy Licenses and begin processing Retail Licenses. Alderman Paro asked if he knew anything about what is going to happen with the property at the old East Junior High site; Mark said he didn't know of any plans.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None** 

**NEW BUSINESS:** 

BILL NO. 2350 - INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN ROTH

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS, MISSOURI, TO EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT ON

# BEHALF OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS WITH DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES PARTNERS LLC FOR PROPERTY SERVICES.

Alderman Roth read the Bill for the first time and moved for approval of the first reading of Bill No. 2350 and to go on to the second reading. The motion was seconded by Alderman Schultz. Motion carried unanimously. Alderman Roth then read Bill No. 2350 for a second time and thereafter made a motion that the Bill be approved by the Board of Alderman for enactment as an Ordinance, seconded by Alderman Schultz. Motion carried unanimously. **Upon the roll being called the votes were cast as follows:** Alderman Roth, yes; Alderman Paro, yes; Alderman Schultz, yes; Alderman Merz, yes; Alderman Jordan, yes; Alderman Hollis, yes; and Alderman Smith, yes.

The majority of the members elected to the Board of Aldermen having voted for passage of Bill No. 2350, the Bill was passed by the Board and will become Ordinance No. 2269 when and if signed by the Mayor.

## REPORT OF THE MAYOR:

Mayor Doerr reported on the following:

- Congratulations to Alex Pflueger it is great that he is from the community;
- Two more Police Officers have been hired;
- Happy birthday to Ted (1/3/14) and Alderman Smith (12/31/13);
- A big thanks goes out to the Street Department who got to work at 10:00 p.m. on Sunday night - most worked through to 3:30 the next day;
- Thanks to the great job done by the Police Department during the very cold weather;
- · Nothing new going on at the Denny's site;
- The Board has decided to extend the Waste Management contract for another
  (5) years:
- The city ordered another 150 tons of salt; and
- There was some talk about another Family Dollar next to White Castle but it is not going to happen.

#### REPORT OF THE ALDERMEN:

**ALDERMAN SMITH:** Happy New Year to all. Congrats to Alex Pflueger. Always be aware of your surroundings. Kudos to the BN Police Department for all their work.

**ALDERMAN HOLLIS:** Welcome to Officer Alex Pflueger. It is wonderful that he lives in the community. Happy birthday to Ted and Anthony Smith. She wished all a Happy New Year. She reported she will not be running for Alderman this coming April; she enjoyed her time serving the city.

**ALDERMAN MIGLIAZZO:** Welcome to Officer Pflueger and Happy Birthday to Ted and Anthony.

**ALDERMAN PARO:** Working on the February Newsletter. Mayor Doerr said he would contact Tim Woelbling; the Boy Scout leader of the Troop who will take over delivery of the Newsletters. Eagle Days at Chain of Rocks will be on January 18 and 19; there will be a lot of festivities going on. Eagle Days at Ft. Belle Fontaine will be on January 25<sup>th</sup>. The Electronic Event is tentatively scheduled for May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thank you to the Street Department and the Police Department for all their work during the very cold weather. Welcome to Alex Pflueger and Happy Birthday to Ted and Anthony.

**ALDERMAN SCHULTZ:** Happy New Year to all. Happy Birthday to Ted and Anthony. Thanks to the Street Department and the Police Department for all they do. Congrats to Alex Pflueger. The city is lucky, not only to have Alex work at BN but to the entire family who contribute to the community.

**ALDERMAN MERZ:** Congrats to Alex. Thanks to Mark Dickerson and his crew for the work they did on the Christmas party. Happy Birthday to Ted and Anthony.

**ALDERMAN JORDAN:** Happy New Year's to all. Happy Birthday to Ted and Anthony and congrats to Alex.

**ALDERMAN ROTH:** Not only are those here tonight proud of Alex, but there are many friends who have known him since he was a boy who are extremely proud of him. A meeting has been set to go over the mid-year financials and make the necessary adjustments; he will report to the Board after the meeting. Happy New Year to all.

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

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

Alderman Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Alderman Migliazzo. Motion carried unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

ATTEST:

Deni Donovan, City Clerk

Approved by the Board of Alderman on 1/16/2014