

**CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES  
February 20, 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 Merz. Motion carried unanimously.

**PRESENTATION OF THE UNAPPROVED MINUTES:** Alderman Smith moved for approval of the February 6, 2014, Minutes of the Board of Aldermen Meeting, seconded by Alderman Schultz. Motion carried unanimously.

**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 Paro. Motion carried unanimously.

**KATHY MASON, 1013 DONNELL:** Reported there were pit bulls running wild on Donnell so the mailman refused to deliver the mail. The Mayor would hope the Post Office would call either the Police or City Hall to report the incident. Also, regarding the "ugly" trees in front of Bethlehem Cemetery, Kathy suggested painting them and putting a light on top to resemble a candle.

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 Migliazzo. Motion carried unanimously.

**CHIEF'S REPORT:** The Board reviewed the January, 2014, report. Chief Pruett happily reported crime is down compared to last year. The Crime Prevention Notices are still being given out to alert residents of possible crime; (60) out of (95) notices were for cars running. Chief Pruett asked for Board approval to attend the MO Police Chief's Conference May 14-16 in New Orleans; there will be no cost to the city. Alderman Roth made a motion to approve the Conference, seconded by Alderman Jordan. Motion carried unanimously. He reported Cpl. Joe St. Clair resigned on February 14<sup>th</sup>; Officer Dewitt Edwards has been promoted to Cpl.

**COLLECTOR'S REPORT:** The Board reviewed the January, 2014, report. Mr. Tranel reported most retail vendors are doing better compared to last year.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The Board reviewed the July, 2013-June, 2014, report. Mr. Abeln reported on all city funds. Police income and taxes are up compared to last year. Said the city is in good shape.

**INVOICES OVER \$500:** Alderman Roth moved to pay invoices 1 through 23 in the amount of \$55,240.22 for the months of January/February, 2014, seconded by Alderman Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

**INVOICES UNDER \$500:** The Board of Aldermen reviewed items 1 through 88 in the amount of \$11,286.00 for the month of January, 2014.

**PLANNING & ZONING:** The Board reviewed the February 10, 2014, report. Chairman Bob Stolte was excused. City Engineer, Phil Lum, spoke on his behalf. He reported Grace Lutheran Chapel presented preliminary plans to expand their school gym. Mr. Lum stated parking spaces should not be an issue. Even though the Grace Chapel property is situated on the boundary line of BN and Moline Acres, the entire project would be in BN. Alderman Shultz asked whether the expansion was to be made up of brick or metal; it would be up to the Architecture, but both are feasible.

**BUILDING INSPECTOR:** The Board reviewed the January, 2014, report. Ted Stocker reported on the following:

- He is trying to clean up vacant homes – letters have been sent out;
- The demolition on Hoyt should be good to go soon;
- The demolition at the old East Junior High site is in progress;
- QT is still remodeling;
- Work is being done at the old Rinderer's site to bring the building up to code – Ashby Furniture may still be interested in the site; and
- Roofing is in progress at the Shopping Center.

Mayor Doerr said Mr. Long had promised to update the handicapped parking spaces; it has not been done yet.

**CITY ENGINEER:** The Board reviewed the January, 2014, report. City Engineer, Phil Lum reported he has been spending time reviewing MSD projects.

**CITY ATTORNEY:** No report given.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**BILL NO. 2355 – INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN PARO**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS, MISSOURI, TO EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI, FOR THE MOSQUITO CONTROL SERVICE ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS.**

Alderman Paro read the Bill for the first time and moved for approval of the first reading of Bill No. 2355 and to go on to the second reading. The motion was seconded by Alderman Merz. Motion carried unanimously. Alderman Paro then read Bill No. 2355 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 Merz. Motion carried unanimously. **Upon the roll being called the votes were cast as follows:** Alderman

Paro, yes; Alderman Migliazzo, yes; Alderman Smith, yes; Alderman Jordan, yes; Alderman Schultz, yes; Alderman Merz, yes; Alderman Hollis; and Alderman Roth, yes.

The majority of the members elected to the Board of Aldermen having voted for passage of Bill No. 2355, the Bill was passed by the Board and will become Ordinance No. 2274 when and if signed by the Mayor.

**REPORT OF THE MAYOR:** Mayor Doerr reported on the following:

- He was asked to testify before the Senate Sub-Committee regarding the legislation that the owner/agent of rental property needs to live within (50) miles of the property – this will affect 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Class cities. This not only benefits the city, but the tenant also. State Rep Tommie Pierson said he will sponsor this Bill in the House of Representatives;
- He will be attending the Metro Mayors Meeting (of which he is on the Board of Directors) on March 3<sup>rd</sup> in Columbia, MO. The topic will be what needs to be done in the North County area;
- There was an inspection done on the Coburg Lands/Belgrove street project. Gershenson did a great job!
- Update on Judge Haywood – on the mend.

**REPORT OF THE ALDERMEN:**

**ALDERMAN PARO:** Due to the 250<sup>th</sup> birthday of St. Louis, there was a contest held whereby certain places were selected in the St. Louis area to have a gigantic birthday cake put on their site. The sites picked in our area included Chain of Rocks, Ft. Belle Fontaine, and the General Bissell Home. She is trying to get the churches to sponsor a birthday bash at the Bissell Home.

**ALDERMAN SCHULTZ:** Reminded everyone about the Police and Youth Commission sponsored DARE Dance on Friday.

**ALDERMAN MERZ:** No report given.

**ALDERMAN JORDAN:** No report given.

**ALDERMAN ROTH:** There was a midyear review of the budget. Since there were minor line items affected, no budget adjustment was needed. There will be another review in May.

**ALDERMAN SMITH:** Very pleased with the way the Street Department took care of the city during the snow/ice storms.

**ALDERMAN HOLLIS:** No report given.

**ALDERMAN MIGLIAZZO:** Thanked the members of the Board of Adjustment for their help on the earlier Hearing. The city needs to be commended on how it responded to the snow/ice storms and keeping up with the salt shortage.

**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 Roth. Motion carried unanimously.

**WILLIE ROBERSON, 10101 NEWBOLD:** Stated the Trustees of Sherwood Hills appreciated the job done by the city's Street Department during the storms.

"Bellevue Neighbors is a great city which takes care of their residents". He will remind the Mayor and Aldermen about the next Trustee Meeting in April.


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.

**Mark Tranel, Special Administrative Board (SAB):** Mr. Tranel stated the recent actions towards the Normandy School District had no bearing on the Riverview Gardens School District.

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

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

  
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Deni Donovan, City Clerk

Approved by the Board of Alderman on 3/6/2014