

**City Of Bellemeade City Commission
Meeting Minutes
June 8, 2020**

Commission Members Present

Mayor Andrew Miller
Commissioner Mike Dyer
Commissioner Bob Elliott
Commissioner James Martin
City Attorney Stephen Porter
City Treasurer Geri Huff
City Clerk Trish Scott

Others Present

None

Call To Order Mayor Andrew Miller called the meeting to order via Zoom at 7:02 pm, with each participant logged in from their home.

Approval of Minutes - The Minutes of the May 11, 2020 Regular City Commission were made available online for reading prior to the meeting. An error was discovered in Commissioner Bob Elliott's last name that will be corrected. A motion to approve minutes with correction to the typo was made by James Martin, seconded by Bob Elliott. May minutes were approved unanimously.

Reports - Treasurer's Report - Geri Huff presented the Treasurer's Report, commenting expenses have remained unchanged. Due to drive through restrictions at the bank, the Insurance premiums were deposited in May instead of April. Other than that, the month is unremarkable. Bob Elliott moved to approve the treasurer's report as presented, second by Mike Dyer. The Treasurer's Report was approved unanimously.

Mayor's Report - Andrew Miller informed the commission that it appears we have enough candidates to fill our commission and possibly one extra.

The North Chadwick grant has passed through the first step in the approval process, and is now on a Consent Agenda with Metro Council for approval during their meeting on Thursday. The grant will cover approximately half the cost of repaving N. Chadwick. Mike Dyer reported that Hall Paving has been hired and the contract will be reviewed by Stephen Porter prior to being signed. Speed hump repair if needed, and repainting will be addressed with the repaving project.

Andrew Miller reminded the commission that this meeting is his last regular meeting as Mayor. He will no longer be a resident of Bellemeade as of July 1, so will not be able to continue as Mayor. James Martin, Mayor Pro Tem, will fulfill the Mayoral responsibilities after that date.

Public Safety Report (New Police Contract) James Martin informed the commission that he had received official notice of Lt. Cabrera's retirement from the police department as well as his service to Bellemeade effective on 7/21/2020. After his research he recommended Kentuckiana Law Enforcement (KLE) to replace the city's police contract. The cost is comparable to our previous contract. After discussion Commissioner Martin moved to vote to pass a municipal resolution he provided to accept KLE's contract. Bob Elliott seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

James Martin informed the commissioners that he had received an email from a resident proposing an ordinance that would limit lawn mowing and leaf blowing to certain hours of the day. Discussion revealed that most commissioners were opposed to enacting such an ordinance since Louisville Metro currently has a noise ordinance. Additionally, it was felt such an ordinance would be very difficult for Bellemeade to enforce.

New Business - Andrew Miller presented the 2020-21 budget ordinance for second reading, and reviewed the adjustments that had been made after the first reading which included a revenue increase of \$37,000 from \$35,000. After discussion, Andrew Miller moved to approve the budget ordinance as presented. Bob Elliott seconded. With a show of hands, 4 commissioners voted in favor, and none opposed. The motion passed.

Andrew Miller presented an Ordinance to set the Tax Rate for 2020 for first reading. The current tax rate will be 6.7 cents per hundred dollars of assessed property value, which is less than the 7.1 cents noted in the ordinance as written. The reduction is necessary to comply with a regulatory law that would be very difficult and costly to remediate if not followed.

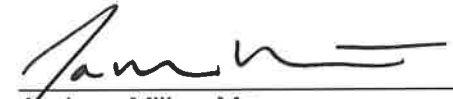
A Municipal Order was presented for consideration to set compensation for non-elected City Officers. The order set salaries for the City Clerk and City Treasurer at \$4,000 per year each, starting on July 1, 2020. James Martin moved to enact the Municipal Order. Mike Dyer seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The Order will take effect with the new budget.

First Reading and discussion of an Ordinance related to Closing Charing Cross. The Code of Ordinances that was enacted earlier this year in effect repealed all existing ordinances. James Martin presented an ordinance intended to clarify that there is no intent to repeal any ordinance specific to annexations or street closings. The proposed ordinance would amend Section 5 of the Adoption of the Code of Ordinances to exclude annexations and street closings. This action will reaffirm Bellemeade's intent to permanently close Charing Cross at U of L Shelbyville's Campus.

Stephen Porter informed the committee about the CARES Act. Discussion centered on what funds allocated to Bellemeade could be used for within the guidelines.

Adjournment - There being no further business, Mayor Miller adjourned the meeting at 7:56
The next working meeting is scheduled for July 6, 2020. The next regular meeting is scheduled
for July 13, 2020.

Respectfully Submitted,


~~Andrew Miller, Mayor~~
James Martin, Mayor 7-13-20

Trish Scott, City Clerk