

City of Bellemeade Commission Meeting Minutes

October 12, 2020

Commission Members Present

Mayor James Martin
Commissioner Bob Elliott
Commissioner Robin Mountain
Commissioner Halle Brumleve
Commissioner Ed Osborne
City Attorney Stephen Porter
City Treasurer Geri Huff
City Clerk Trish Scott

Others Present Renee Willmann

Call to Order - Mayor James Martin called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm at the Steel Technologies Building, The 700 Room, 1st Floor 700 North Hurstbourne Parkway, Louisville, KY 40222. Mayor Martin asked if there were any additions to the Agenda at this time.

Approval of Minutes - The Minutes of the September 14 Commission Meeting were read. Bob Elliott moved to approve as presented, second by Robin Mountain. September Meeting Minutes were unanimously approved as written.

Reports - Treasurer's Report - Geri Huff presented the Treasurer's Report. Expenses were as expected for the month with the exception of added miscellaneous expenses due to manuals purchased for new interim commissioners. Income is expected to go up with the tax bills soon to be sent, and insurance premiums continue to come in. She informed the commission that interest rates have continued to go down among the banks we use. Geri suggested moving one of the accounts to a bank with better interest. Mayor Martin advised not to move any accounts until a finance committee is formed.

Attorney Steve Porter confirmed that only a motion was necessary to allow the City Treasurer to move expenditures from the contingency category to make up for any budgetary shortfalls in other budget categories.

James Martin made a motion to approve any expenditures being moved from the contingency fund to those categories that were over budget. Bob Elliott seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

James then moved to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented, second by Robin Mountain, and the Treasurer's report passed unanimously as presented.

Mayor's Report – James Martin reported that at this time, no further research was done regarding the issue of short term rentals but he planned on reporting more at the next meeting. Stephen Porter

informed that this is a zoning issue and that Bellemeade has no zoning authority, so cannot prohibit short term rentals. The commission could pass an ordinance to require that all rentals be registered with the City of Bellemeade.

Mayor Martin reported that an announcement for volunteers to form an investment committee was included in the quarterly newsletter.

Sang Tree Service has been contacted and assured James that Bellemeade would get priority service in any emergency. Regarding snow removal Robert Hull has done the plowing in the past and will be contacted to continue the agreement.

James Martin distributed the City Ethics Form to the new committee members for them to complete and return to him for the city record.

Commissioner Reports -

Public Works Report — Bob Elliott informed the commissioners that he had not contacted Lindsey Irrigation at this time regarding the lighting at the Bellemeade entrance. The Chadwick entrance light had been staying on due to a faulty sensor, and he fixed it. That entrance was otherwise fine.

Public Safety Report - Ed Osborne reported that he had trimmed the tree that was obscuring the stop sign at Bellemeade and Charing Cross. Since our last meeting, he reported seven violations to Metro Code Enforcement including parking violations and inoperable vehicles being stored. He also reported that a couple of fences needed repair at intersections that are in the county's jurisdiction. He will work on getting those resolved. He is also working on getting the police patrol schedule.

Robin Mountain reported that he had sent another email to Milestone requesting an invoice. He will continue to follow up with them to determine the next steps to resolve the sinkhole on Dorchester. The steel plate is still in place.

Halle Brumleve reported that she had identified the horse rental company for the Halloween event so the parade will go on as it did last year.

New Business -

James Martin presented for consideration a Municipal Order to close the streets affected by the Halloween Parade. Robin Mountain moved to approve the order. Bob Elliott seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

November Meeting Locations After discussion, it was decided that the working meeting will be held via Zoom on 11/2, and the Regular Commission Meeting will be held in person at The Steel Technologies Building on 11/9 at 7 PM.

Adjournment - James Martin adjourned the meeting at 7:56 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

James Martin, Mayor

Trish Scott, City Clerk