



City of Bellemeade Commission Meeting Minutes
August 9, 2021

Commission Members Present

Mayor James Martin
Commissioner Ben Zickel
Commissioner Halle Brumleve
Commissioner Robin Mountain
Commissioner Sandy Walker
City Treasurer Geri Huff
City Attorney Stephen Porter
City Clerk Trish Scott

Others Present

Carol Banks
Jeff Banks

Call to Order - Mayor James Martin called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm at the Steel Technologies Building, The 700 Room, 1st Floor 700 North Hurstbourne Parkway, Louisville, KY 40222.

Approval of Minutes - The Minutes of the June 14, 2021 Commission Meeting were read. Halle Brumleve moved to approve the minutes as corrected, second by Robin Mountain. July Meeting Minutes were unanimously approved as presented.

Reports - Treasurer's Report - Geri Huff presented the Treasurer's Report. July expenses were as expected per the budget ordinance. The road fund allocation was slightly higher than expected. No taxes were collected for this monthly period.

James Martin moved to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented; second by Halle Brumleve. The Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved.

Geri informed the commissioners that city accounts had been transferred from BB&T and First Financial had been transferred to Liberty totalling \$493,865.34. Better interest rates are expected from this change.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Martin reported that he has sent letters to residents regarding repeated parking on the grass. He has not yet followed up with the state on the obstructed street views from our city's entrances due to overgrown trees and shrubs. We have received half of the Covid Relief funds appropriated to Bellemeade. Steve Porter is checking on whether those funds can be used for safety considerations.

Commissioner Reports

Public Works Report - Commissioner Sandy Walker reported that the steel plate was still present on N. Chadwick. She commented that as far as using Covid Relief funds for safety, it would be cost effective to add street lights within the existing electric lines. It is still unknown which type of bulbs LG&E will provide for an upgrade. She informed the committee that she has posted the Rumpke

schedule on the Bellemeade Facebook page.

Public Events Report - Commissioner Halle Brumleve reported that the yard sale is on track, and food trucks have been scheduled, signs are posted and balloons will be used to further promote the event. Commissioner Walker will contact Rumpke to provide an extra pick up after the city wide sale.

Public Safety Report - Commissioner Mountain has been informed that there was a burglary on N. Chadwick. He will investigate to get more details.

Public Lands Report - Ben Zickel was contacted by a resident regarding a car frame and trailer that has been parked on a driveway for a few months. He will investigate further.

Public Comments - Jeff Banks appealed to the commission to assist with a nuisance dog barking. He reported that he and his family were unable to enjoy their yard due to a neighbor's dog's excessive barking and aggression. He requested that the board assist him to avoid personal confrontation with the neighbor. They have thus far had good relationships with each other. Additionally, he informed the commission that he has for the first time been charged by Rumpke for his recycling bin. Treasurer Geri Huff will reach out to Rumpke to get the charges refunded.

New Business –

First Reading of Property Tax Ordinance - James Martin presented for first reading the Property Tax Ordinance. The proposed rate is unchanged from last year at six and seven tenth (6.7) cents per \$100.00 of assessed value. The commissioners reviewed the worksheet prepared in collaboration by Treasurer Huff and Kentucky League of Cities. Discussion centered around whether the rate/revenue limits to keep Bellemeade under the 4% increase that would trigger a public hearing. Commissioners discussed the 6.7 tax rate and there was general agreement or no objection to the 6.7 rate. Mayor Martin asked Treasurer Geri Huff to confirm with her contact at DLG to confirm his support of keeping the tax rate the same.

First Reading of Overnight Street Parking Ordinance - As a response to numerous reports of residents parking long term on the street, or parking vehicles on the grass and/or drainage ditches, an ordinance addressing parking in Bellemeade was presented for first reading. Commissioner Walker felt that the ordinance could be simplified to be more enforceable.

Presentation of Investment Policy and discussion and possible adoption of same - This item was tabled.

Third Reading of Non-Solicitation Ordinance - Mayor Martin suggested passing this ordinance in light of recent aggressive solicitors in the neighborhood. Discussion centered around managing this issue without a formal ordinance. Robin Mountain moved to approve this ordinance. James Martin seconded, and the ordinance was approved unanimously. The ordinance will be added to the Code of Ordinances.

Investment Policy Statement - This item was tabled.

Changes to Possible Commissioner Roles - This item was tabled.

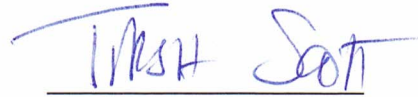
September Meeting Locations - The next working meeting is scheduled via Zoom on Monday September 6th, and the Regular Commission Meeting will be held in person at The Steel Technologies Building on Monday, September 13, 2021 at 7 PM.

Adjournment - Mayor James Martin adjourned the meeting at 8:21 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



James Martin, Mayor



Trish Scott, City Clerk