



City of Bellemeade Commission Meeting Minutes
October 11, 2021

Commission Members Present

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

Others Present

None

Call to Order - Mayor James Martin called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm at the Steel Technologies Building, The 700 Room, 1st Floor 700 North Hurstbourne Parkway, Louisville, KY 40222.

Commissioner Report Public Events (presented first as Commissioner had to leave the meeting early) - Halle Brumleve updated the commission on the upcoming holiday events. The flyers and signs have been posted for the Halloween Parade. Postcards have been produced announcing the street closures for the parade. Children have been signing up already. We are in need of judges for the costume contest and house decorating contest. The horse and carriage are not available this year so options for someone to lead the parade were discussed. Treasurer Huff suggested that the costume contest winners could be used. Another option that will be explored is to have a fire truck lead the parade. Commissioner Brumleve has budgeted the same as last year, \$400.

Approval of Minutes - The Minutes of the September 13, 2021 Commission Meeting were read. Ben Zickel moved to approve the minutes as presented, second by James Martin. September Meeting Minutes were unanimously approved as presented.

Reports - Treasurer's Report - Geri Huff presented the Treasurer's Report. She informed the commission that she had added a line item under income for "other" income to differentiate covid funding from regular income sources. Additionally, a tax lien will be removed this month as a resident has paid up taxes that were overdue. A \$500 charge was allocated to Public Lands for a cost incurred last year for Sang for a tree limb removal. The invoice was not sent until recently. This cost can be re-categorized in the event that a budgetary need arises.

Discussion about the cost of security services revealed that invoices have not been received for the increased patrols at this time. Geri needs approval to pay, which Mayor Martin granted.

James Martin made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented, and Ben Zickel seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Martin reported that the city website has been updated and all documents posted are the most recent. He commented on the possibility of getting funds to update the website itself. We may be able to use the American Rescue Plan (ARP) funding. Various uses for ARP funds were discussed, including for street light costs including the LG&E bill. Street lights provide security, which is an approved use of funds. Steve Porter commented that the League of Cities is expecting the fund requirements to become more lax as the deadline approaches. He will check on whether ARP funds can be used for street lights. He also commented that there is an opportunity to donate any funds we cannot use to community groups that are not eligible for funds.

James Martin asked Kentuckiana Law Enforcement (KLE) to add one additional patrol per week for September and October. The commissioners discussed using ARP funding to pay 100% of the patrols and allocate any security funds to other commission needs.

James Martin made a motion to pay the current security invoices using ARP funding. After discussion clarifying that this applies to all current unpaid invoices plus all future invoices, Ben Zickel seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Martin asked for discussion on where and when to add patrols for the best coverage. It was agreed that weekend nights - Friday, Saturday and Sunday - would be most useful. James moved to instruct KLE to add a night patrol on Friday, Saturday or Sunday starting in November. Sandy Walker seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Further discussion centered around whether funds could be used to reimburse residents for security cameras.

Commissioner Reports

Public Works Report - Commissioner Sandy Walker reported that MSD had sprayed green paint at the sinkhole near 119 Dorchester. She has contacted MSD and obtained a case number for follow up. She was informed that they need to do a dye test.

She had received a question from a resident about the large drainage ditch that runs behind the homes in Southampton. It is each resident's responsibility to maintain the area adjacent to their property.

Public Safety Report - No update.

Public Lands Report - Ben Zickel reported that the Bellemeade entrance lights have been replaced and are operating again. The North Chadwick entrance lights were also out and will be replaced with new fixtures. He received a question about fences in the front yards. He will direct that question to Metro since Bellemeade falls under that jurisdiction. We will discuss at our next meeting whether front yard fences should be specifically addressed in Bellemeade's ordinances.

Public Comments - None

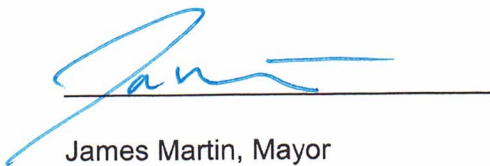
New Business –

Second Reading of Overnight Parking Ordinance Requiring Permit- James Martin presented for second reading the Overnight Parking Ordinance. James moved to adopt the ordinance as written. Sandy Walker seconded, and the ordinance passed unanimously.

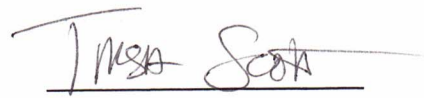
November Meeting Locations - The next working meeting will be held in person at The Steel Technologies Building on Monday, November 1, 2021 at 7 PM. The Regular Commission Meeting will be held in person at The Steel Technologies Building on Monday, November 8, 2021 at 7 PM.

Adjournment - Mayor James Martin adjourned the meeting at 8:18pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



James Martin, Mayor



Trish Scott, City Clerk

