



**City of Bellemeade Commission Meeting Minutes  
April 11, 2022**

**Commission Members Present**

Mayor James Martin  
Commissioner Halle Brumleve  
Commissioner Sandy Walker  
Commissioner Robin Mountain  
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.

**Approval of Minutes** - The March 14, 2022 Commission Meeting minutes were read. Halle Brumleve requested that the time for the Arbor Day event be corrected from 10:30 to 9:30. Halle Brumleve moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Ben Zickel seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

**Reports**

*Treasurer's Report* - Geri Huff presented the Treasurer's Report. Last month's expenses were as expected aside from the League of Cities membership cost increase and an extra expense for opening and flushing the water at the entrances. Additionally \$200,000 was pulled out of the road fund to invest in the League of Cities investment funds. The budget will be presented at the May Commission Meeting for first reading, then second reading and approval at the June meeting. James Martin moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Robin Mountain seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

*Mayor's Report* – Mayor Martin discussed usage of ARPA Funds. They can be spent on any usual city expenses such as lighting bills and trash pick up. The security costs are already being paid from ARPA funds.

**Commissioner Reports**

*Public Works Report* - Sandy Walker reported that the cost to replace two damaged stop signs will be \$465. She also has requested estimates for having the remaining cracks in the streets filled. She will be reaching out to MSD regarding the partial repair of N. Chadwick Road at Whipps Mill. It is currently filled with traffic cones, but no further progress has been made.

*Public Safety Report* - Robin Mountain reported that he has been asking residents for their thoughts on license plate cameras, and has had positive responses. He has contacted Flock Safety, a provider of license plate cameras, for quotes and information. Cameras are \$2,000 per camera, per year. He believes cameras at the entrances to Bellemeade would be a good deterrent against the late night

thefts from unlocked vehicles. Discussion centered around the positives and negatives of the cameras as well as using increased patrols during overnight hours. Commissioner Walker informed that Graymoor/Devondale police department is providing supplemental patrols for other cities for \$65/hour. Mayor Martin reached out to KLE following the working meeting to ensure overnight patrols during certain dates and times.

Commissioner Walker made a motion to inform John Aubrey that Bellemeade will only pay for the hours requested beginning in April and going forward, but will not pay for unrequested shifts. Halle Brumleve seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

In the meantime Commissioner Mountain will ask Flock Safety for references from current customers.

*Public Events Report* - Halle Brumleve reported that five residents had applied for trees for the Arbor Day event. She will request a variety of trees, and as the applicants if they would be willing to have the planting demonstration in their yard. Kate Cunningham is once again donating watering bags for each of the trees.

*Public Lands Report* - Ben Zickel reported that the invoice for irrigation increased from \$650 to \$830, which included a certified backflow test. Ben will check on competitive quotes to ensure we are not being overcharged for this service.

**Public Comments** - None

**New Business –**

James Martin presented for First Reading a Block Party Ordinance pertaining to the Blaine Road closure on May 28, 2022. City Clerk Trish Scott will produce a postcard to residents on Blaine informing them of the closure, and Mayor Martin will request stickers for our “no parking” signs.

Budget planning will be discussed at the working meeting on May 2.

James Martin presented for Second Reading the Canopy Tree Ordinance, but it was not voted on.

The upcoming election was discussed and reimbursement for candidate filing fees will be addressed at the next meeting.

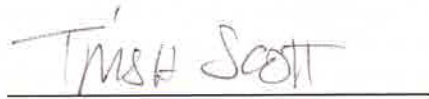
*May Meeting Locations* - The next working meeting will be via Zoom on Monday, May 2, 2022 at 7 PM. The Regular Commission Meeting will be held in person at The Steel Technologies Building on Monday, May 9, 2022 at 7 PM.

**Adjournment** - Mayor James Martin adjourned the meeting at 8:34 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



James Martin, Mayor



Trish Scott, City Clerk