

City of Bellemeade Commission Meeting Minutes October 9, 2023

Commission Members Present

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

Others Present None

Call to Order - Mayor James Martin called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm at the Steel Technologies Building, The 700 Room, 1st Floor 700 North Hurstbourne Parkway, Louisville, KY 40222.

With Treasurer Geri Huff attending the meeting via phone, the Treasurer's report was reviewed first.

Treasurer's Report - Geri Huff reported that city expenses were on par for September. The CARES Act funds were depleted in August, so all expenses are now reflected on September's budget. The beautification budget has been utilized for two tree reimbursements. The investment fund is down due to stock market pressures. With no questions from the commission, Jame Martin made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Ben Zickel seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes - The September 11, 2023 Commission Meeting minutes were read. Cindy Oppel moved to approve the minutes as presented. Halle Brumleve seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Reports

Mayor's Report - Mayor Martin informed the commission that he met with Matt Ricketts of NTS Development Corporation, to discuss the new building plans for Shelbyville Campus. Mr. Ricketts informed Mayor Martin that the building is not exactly the same as the rendering that was provided. He described the new building as being very similar to the Bright Spring building. However, he assured that all of the binding elements are the same as were for the previously approved structure. Mayor Martin felt that it was a productive discussion, and he will provide Steve Porter with documentation for review. Mr. Ricketts mentioned that the new tenant was a well known local company. Discussion followed about the tenant possibly being LG&E, and Commissioner Walker asked whether there would be any restrictions on the types of vehicles that could be parked or stored on the premises.

Sandy Walker also expressed concern over the future development of campus housing, backing onto the berm close to Dorchester. She suggested that we ensure the housing plans are not included in the current proposal so they can be addressed separately.

Mayor Martin commented that the working meeting was fruitful and many topics were discussed.

Commissioner Reports

Public Events Report - Commissioner Brumleve reported that the Halloween house decorating contest and the halloween parade are coming up as scheduled. James Martin made a motion to block the streets along the parade route on October 28th. Ben Zickel seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. City Clerk Trish Scott will send letters to affected residents informing them of the street closings. Trick or Treat will be held on Halloween, October 31st.

Public Lands & Public Works Report - Ben Zickel had no major updates for the commission.

Public Safety & Roads Report - Sandy Walker informed the commission that she will be attending a panel discussion of elected officials, including Julie Adams, our district 18 councilwoman.

Code Enforcement Report - Commissioner Cindy Oppel reported the Code Enforcement Canvassing Process has been fleshed out and approved during the working meeting. The large truck on Charing Cross is being addressed. She had no new complaints this month.

Public Comments - None

New Business - No new business.

November Meeting Locations - The next working meeting will be at 7 PM, via Zoom on Monday, November 6, 2023. The Regular Commission Meeting will be held in person at The Steel Technologies Building on Monday, November 13, 2023 at 7 PM.

Adjournment - Mayor Martin adjourned the meeting at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

James Martin, Mayor

Trish Scott, City Clerk