



City of Bellemeade Commission Meeting Minutes

July 14, 2025

Commission Members Present

Mayor James Martin
Commissioner Sandy Walker
Commissioner Burt Deutsch
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 7:05 pm at the Steel Technologies Building, The 700 Room, 1st Floor 700 North Hurstbourne Parkway, Louisville, KY 40222.

Approval of Minutes - The June 9, 2025 Minutes were read, and Burt Deutsch made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Sandy Walker seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report - Geri Huff presented the Treasurer's Report. There were no unexpected changes. There was an increase in attorney costs due to the Leaf Spring project. The city received cash back of \$97 due to the PNC credit card. We have reached the end of the Fiscal Year and the city met its budget with a slight budget surplus. James Martin made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Burt Deutsch seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Reports

Mayor's Report - Mayor Martin reported that City Clerk Trish Scott informed him that she will be stepping down as City Clerk. Discussion ensued regarding the possibility of City Treasurer Geri Huff assuming the Clerk duties as Trish steps down as she has expressed interest in doing so. Mayor Martin wishes to discuss this with the commissioners who are not in attendance. Commissioner Deutsch stated that he is not concerned about combining the two positions. It was noted that many cities have a combined position of Clerk/Treasurer.

Commissioner Reports

Public Events Report - Commissioner Brumleve was not in attendance.

Public Lands & Public Works Report - Burt Deutsch reported that Payne Electric came to look at the uplights at the Bellemeade entrance. All but one are in working order, and the remaining light should be repaired soon.

Public Safety & Roads Report - Commissioner Walker reported that The Beargrass Group will be treating road damage as necessary in the next couple of months. They will once again be filling cracks with tar and repairing damaged areas as needed. She noted that residents should refrain from parking in the street during the treatment days.

Code Enforcement Report - Commissioner Cindy Oppel was not in attendance.

Public Comments - None

New Business

Whippsmill Road Developments - City Attorney Steve Porter informed that the public hearing for the rezoning near Whippsmill and Whittington Parkway was scheduled for noon on August 21, at the old jail building downtown. He informed the commission that neighbors near the area of the proposed change can petition to hold the meeting at a more convenient time and place. He has observed much controversy surrounding this project and neighbors are concerned about loss of trees and greenspace, flooding, traffic complications, and congestion in the area. Steve also noted that it was discovered that part of the land in the proposed area is actually within ~~Metro Louisville~~ BELLEMEADE, and not Lyndon. This can possibly be a point of contention. Options to address this situation were discussed as well as the possible outcomes in response to neighborhood opposition to the project.

Burt Deutsche made a motion that the City of Bellemeade officially oppose the rezoning. Commissioner Walker seconded the motion, a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

Sandra Walker made a motion to notify all Bellemeade residents informing them of the current public hearing date and informing them of the need for a petition drive to request closer location and evening meeting time. James Martin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

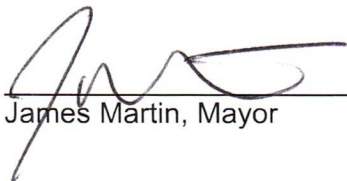
Steve Porter will draft a petition requesting to change the public hearing date and time, and volunteers will be recruited to collect signatures. 300 signatures are required to submit the petition.

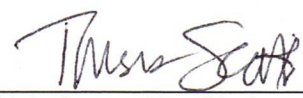
Mayor Martin presented for Second Reading an Ordinance to change the commission meeting location to 8605 Shelbyville Rd. Louisville, KY 40222. Mayor Martin made a motion to approve the Ordinance as presented. Burt Deutsch seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

August Meeting Locations - The next working meeting will be held via Zoom on Monday, August 4, at 7:00 pm. The Regular Commission Meeting will be held in person at Shelby House Condominiums, 8605 Shelbyville Road, Louisville, KY 40222 on Monday, August 11, at 7 PM.

Adjournment - There being no further business, Mayor Martin adjourned the meeting at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,


James Martin, Mayor


Trish Scott, City Clerk