



**City of Bellemeade Commission Meeting
Minutes**

February 8, 2021

Commission Members Present

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

Others Present

Bob Elliott

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 Minutes of the January 11, 2020 Commission Meeting were read. Mayor Martin moved to approve as presented, second by Ben Zickel. January Meeting Minutes were unanimously approved as written.

Reports - Treasurer's Report - Geri Huff presented the January Treasurer's Report commenting that the city's PVA fee for producing the property tax invoices was once again paid on time. The newsletter charges had not yet been billed to the city credit card so will likely show up in February's bill.

Commissioner Brumleve informed the Treasurer and commission that she had 2 signs made that had not been billed yet as well. Geri will look into this with Farley. Tax payments are being received as usual including some that tend to pay late. Additionally, the Insurance Premium Tax is expected to be approximately \$65,000. It is sent quarterly from the various insurers. The "other" income of \$6,700 was CARES act reimbursement.

James Martin moved to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Sandy Walker seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor's Report – James Martin reported that after the Investment Committee met once again prior to the Committee meeting, he feels that Kentucky League of City's program is a great way for Bellemeade to invest their funds. Since this program has been vetted and is known to be legal for municipal investments.

Commissioner Reports

Public Events Report - Arbor Day Event - Halle Brumleve reported that she has received 7 emails from residents who are interested in obtaining trees. Discussion followed regarding availability, size and

pricing for trees that will be appropriate for our area. Halle commented that she was not in favor of spending that much of her events budget on trees. It was pointed out that the funds could certainly be allocated to a different area of the budget, or her budget could be increased. Further discussion suggested that only canopy trees be provided and that tree bags be included or at least available for purchase for those who requested trees.

Public Works Report - Sandy Walker reported on the plowing service that had been provided through the current vendor. She has not been satisfied with the service or the response. She is planning to discuss the bill with the vendor since he had not provided the service she had requested and expected. further she will be checking with Meadowvale to see which vendor they use. It was noted that N. Chadwick had been plowed by Metro and was in much better condition compared to the other Bellemeade roads.

Sandy commented that the Mooregate entrance lights need to be changed. Ben Zickel agreed and Bob Elliott informed them that those lights were Bellemeade's responsibility. There was discussion as to whether all lights should be replaced and also that they should not be on 24/7. Bob Elliott suggested that Ben call the supplier, Yates Electric. Bob further clarified that the lamps on the entrance signs were under the purview of Public Lands, while street lights were under Public Works' authority.

Public Lands Report - See above Public Works Report. Ben Zickel will contact Yates Electric to discuss entrance light issues and possible replacement.

New Business –

First Reading of Ordinance to Increase Public Events Budget by \$1,000 from savings - James Martin presented the first reading of an Ordinance to Increase the Public Events budget. James asked if any commissioners were opposed to this increase in the Public Events budget. There were no objections.

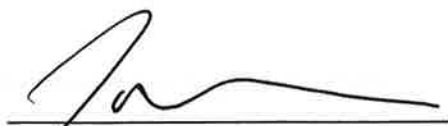
Possible Tree Ordinance to encourage planting of canopy trees - Discussion was tabled at this time.

March Meeting Locations - The next working meeting will be held via Zoom on 3/1/2021 and the Regular Commission Meeting will be held in person at The Steel Technologies Building on 3/8/2021 at 7 PM.

Adjournment -

Mayor James Martin adjourned the meeting at 7:58 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



James Martin, Mayor



Trish Scott, City Clerk