



City of Bellemeade Commission Meeting Minutes
June 14, 2021

Commission Members Present

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

Others Present

Dianne Wolfe

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 May 10, 2021 Commission Meeting were read. A misspelling of Marilyn Parker's name was pointed out and corrected. Mayor Martin moved to approve the minutes as corrected, second by Ben Zickel. May Meeting Minutes were unanimously approved with correction.

Reports - Treasurer's Report - Geri Huff presented the Treasurer's Report. She informed the commission that the city collected \$16,000 in insurance premium taxes. Upon review, Mayor Martin commented that the year had not been updated from 2019-2020 to 2020-2021. Geri will update. James Martin moved to approve the Treasurer's Report, with second by Halle Brumleve. The Treasurer's Report was approved unanimously.

Mayor's Report - Mayor Martin presented an informational handout for the American Recovery Plan Funding. He informed the commissioners that after reviewing the information, it appears Bellemeade may not fit into many of the eligibility categories. The guidelines are much stricter than expected. Discussion centered around which items we could use to help our city and residents within the guidelines. Specifically, funds can be used to address "negative economic impact". Steve Porter suggested that if we have community ministries, funds could be given to them without having to prove qualifications. Donating to the Library was suggested, and applicability of the various resident suggestions were discussed, Mayor Martin will research specifics of whether funds can be used on easements, private property, or public lands. Any suggestions that can't be used will be eliminated from the list at our next meeting.

Commissioner Reports

Public Events Report - Commissioner Halle Brumleve reported that there was very little interest in the 4th of July Parade. The city wide yard sale has been scheduled for August 21st. She has been contacting food trucks to schedule for the day of the sale. Halle commented that Holly Springs informed her that they will be running their yard sale on the same day, in hopes of increasing traffic for both communities sales. Resident Shelly Brionas is hosting an ice cream truck on June 28 in front of her home at 8800 Charing Cross, and flyers have been made for the "What's Happening Bellemeade" informational signs. Mayor Martin commented that he will be working to produce Yard Sale Signs similar to the no parking signs we had made for the repaving project on N. Chadwick. After discussion it was decided to advertise the hours of 8am-1pm for the yard sale. James suggested that we could explore having a house decorating contest instead of a parade for the 4th of July.

Public Safety Report - Report deferred in Commissioner Robin Mountain's absence.

Public Works Report - Sandy Walker reported that the road maintenance project had been delayed due to rain. The Beargrass Group will be rescheduling a return to the project as their workload allows. The city has not been billed for the project at this time.

Public Lands Report - Ben Zickel reported no updates at this time.

New Business –

James Martin commented that he had seen social media comments that trees and shrubs are overgrown and obscuring views of traffic at the entrances to Bellemeade. These need to be trimmed along the entrances to our city. The various entrances were discussed and it was agreed that sight lines are poor at all entrances at this time. James had already discussed with one homeowner who agreed to trim his brush back. Discussion centered on whether we want to address this as a city, and have the areas trimmed with the homeowner's permission, or to place the onus on the homeowner to have the overgrowth trimmed. James will contact the KY Department of Transportation to learn what the best approach is.

The commission discussed changing the police patrols to night time only. The schedule for the last three months was reviewed and it was agreed that it would be beneficial to change them to focus more on night activities as well as one night per weekend. In Robin Mountain's absence, James will send an email, and Sandy will call Kentucky Law Enforcement to discuss shift changes. On next month's meeting agenda we will address reaching out to Louisville Metro regarding coverage here in addition to KLE's patrols.

Second Reading of Budget Ordinance for 2021/2022 Discussion of the Same - James Martin presented an Ordinance adopting the 2021/2022 Budget for General Operating Purposes for second reading. After discussion regarding police/security expenses, it was agreed that no amendments needed to be made. James Martin moved to adopt the Budget Ordinance as presented. Sandy Walker seconded. The Budget Ordinance passed unanimously.

Second Reading of Ordinance Amending 2020/2021 Budget to Include Expenditures for Road Repair and Landscaping. - Mayor Martin presented for second reading the ordinance amending the current budget to include road repair and landscaping expenditures. Discussion revealed that the budget was sufficient to cover the crack filling project since that expense is allocated to the road fund. James Martin moved to adopt the Budget Amendment Ordinance as presented. Halle Brumleve seconded the motion. The Ordinance was approved unanimously.


Presentation of Investment Policy and discussion and possible adoption of same - This item was tabled.

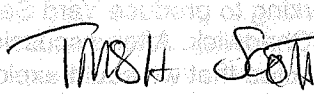
First Reading of Non-Solicitation Ordinance - This item was tabled.

July Meeting Locations - The next working meeting will be held via Zoom on 7/5/2021 and the Regular Commission Meeting will be held in person at The Steel Technologies Building on 6/7/12/2021 at 7 PM.

Adjournment - Mayor James Martin adjourned the meeting at 8:29 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,


James Martin, Mayor


Trish Scott, City Clerk