

City of Bellemeade Commission Meeting Minutes June 12, 2023

Commission Members Present

Mayor James Martin
Commissioner Sandy Walker
Commissioner Cindy Oppel
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 7:10 pm at the Steel Technologies Building, The 700 Room, 1st Floor 700 North Hurstbourne Parkway, Louisville, KY 40222.

Approval of Minutes - The May 8, 2023 Commission Meeting minutes were read. Cindy Oppel moved to approve the minutes as presented. Ben Zickel seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Reports

Treasurer's Report - Geri Huff presented the Treasurer's Report. She reviewed last month's expenses including Paine Electric, which was placed in Public Miscellaneous category as well as the Security Patrols which were placed under Public Safety. Mayor Martin inquired if Hatfield Media had been paid. As they have not, he will submit the invoice to Geri for payment. At this time, CARES Act balance is \$20,483, and we will begin the fiscal year with approximately \$11,000 in CARES Act Funds. Mayor Martin moved to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Sandy Walker seconded and the Treasurer's Report was approved unanimously.

James Martin began the discussion of the Second Reading of the Budget Ordinance at this time. Geri Huff detailed the various categories that needed discussion. She informed the Commission that \$300 was added to the IT budget for this year for increased Google costs. During discussion it was decided to increase the Police Patrols to \$19,000. With \$1,000 allocated for discretionary Public Safety expenses, this brought the total Public Safety budget to \$20,000. Ben Zickel made a motion to approve the Budget Ordinance as discussed. Sandy Walker seconded the motion and the ordinance was approved unanimously.

Mayor's Report - Mayor Martin reported that the Working meeting scheduled for June 5 did not take place due to his absence for a trial. Additionally, the SAM Registration has been completed by City Clerk Trish Scott, as was the review of the Code of Ordinances.

Commissioner Reports

Public Events Report - in Commissioner Brumleve's absence, Mayor Martin informed the Commission that she had once again arranged for food trucks for the City-Wide Yard Sale. He is ordering the No Parking



signs.

Public Lands & Public Works Report - Ben Zickel reported that he had received a tree reimbursement application. Additionally, trees at the Bellemeade entrance are in need of maintenance. One is dead and another is leaning. Timing of the tree removal and plantings was discussed. He has also asked Mike's to pull weeds at the Mooregate entrance.

Public Safety & Roads Report - Sandy Walker reported that the Interlocal Agreement has been executed and filed with the Department of Local Governments. An announcement on Facebook regarding police patrols was discussed as well as possible signage at the entrances for peddler's permits. Sandy has informed Robert Schroeder, Lyndon Chief of Police, of her upcoming Estate Sale as well as the social media post from a resident who heard loud knocking on their door while someone announced the FBI. Another incident involved a black pickup truck that had failed to stop at a stop sign and then spinning their tires when confronted by a passerby.

Code Enforcement Report - Commissioner Cindy Oppel enquired regarding Bellemeade's perimeter and whether it included Whippsmill. Mayor Martin informed that only the houses on the south side of Whipps Mill from the U of L Campus to Wood Road, were considered part of Bellemeade. She had been informed that a home had received a notice that they needed to paint or improve the property, or they would be fined \$400. She will determine where the notice originated.

Public Comments - None

New Business - 2023-2024 City Budget Ordinance - was addressed just after the Treasurer's Report.

July Meeting Locations - The next working meeting will be held at 7 PM, via Zoom on Monday, July 3, 2023. The Regular Commission Meeting will be held in person at The Steel Technologies Building on Monday, July 10, 2023 at 7 PM.

Adjournment - Mayor Martin adjourned the meeting at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

James Martin, Mayor

Trish Scott, City Clerk