

CITY OF BELLVILLE

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

JANUARY 17, 2023

1. 5:30 P.M. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor James Harrison called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Harrison led all in prayer and Pledges of Allegiance.

3. CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Present-to-wit: Mayor James Harrison, Aldermen Garrett Dornon, Arlie Kendrick, Alderwoman Ashley Slater, and Betty Hollon; thereby a quorum was established. Also present was City Administrator Shawn Jackson, City Secretary Rachael Lynch, and City Attorney Luke Cochran. Alderman Monte Richardson was absent.

4. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

The motion was made by Alderwoman Slater and seconded by Alderman Kendrick to approve the Agenda of the Regular Meeting of January 17, 2023, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

5. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The motion was made by Alderwoman Hollon and seconded by Alderman Dornon to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting of December 20, 2022, with changes to add current and new garbage rates to agenda item #11. Motion carried unanimously.

6. CITIZEN'S FORUM *(Any public comment that is made on an item that is not on the posted final agenda will only be heard by the City Council. No formal action, discussion, deliberation, nor comment will be made by the Council.)*

Lisa Coan, President of Bellville Historical Society spoke about the 175th birthday of Bellville during the year 2023.

7. REPORT OR REQUEST(S) FROM CITY ADMINISTRATOR/DEPARTMENT HEADS

Shawn informed Council of a Special Meeting on February 14, 2023, and first day to accept Application for Place on the Ballot. He also informed Council that he received approval on Grant CDV21-0210 Community Development Block Grant for drainage improvements along S. Austin Street and Thomas Street.

Alderwoman Hollon inquired about current job openings and when Code Enforcement Officer will be certified to conduct all building inspections. Alderman Dornon inquired about Fire Inspections. Alderman Kendrick encourages all employees to help other departments.

8. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM MAYOR/COUNCIL MEMBERS/CITY ATTORNEY (DISCUSSION IS LIMITED TO STATEMENT OF POLICY OR

STATEMENTS OF FACTUAL MATTERS, OR THE REQUEST THAT A MATTER BE PLACED ON THE NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA)

Alderman Kendrick inquired about the four leased trucks at Mechanic Shop. He also inquired about street repair on West Austin Street, S. Masonic to S. Thomas Street. Alderwoman Hollon passed out a handout regarding errors on the General Financial Report and went over the errors with Council. She also inquired if all bank reconciliation has been completed. Mayor Harrison presented a Proclamation to Paul Jones for his years of dedication to the City of Bellville.

9. CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF 2020-2021 ANNUAL AUDIT PRESENTED BY BROOKSWATSON & COMPANY.

John Watson presented the Audit to Council.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Slater and seconded by Alderwoman Hollon to accept 2020-2021 ANNUAL AUDIT PRESENTED BY BROOKSWATSON & COMPANY with changes made to Pages 6 & 7 as discussed and page 55 regarding retirees. Motion carried unanimously.

10. CONSENT AGENDA - ITEMS LISTED ARE OF ROUTINE NATURE AND MAY BE ACTED ON IN A SINGLE MOTION UNLESS REQUESTED OTHERWISE BY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

(A) CONSIDERATION TO RE-APPOINT IAN BADER, KENNETH STEIN AND NEVILLE REMMERT, TO THE LIBRARY BOARD FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM.

(B) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE 4TH QUARTER INVESTMENT REPORT AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

(C) CONSIDERATION TO APPOINT MAYOR HARRISON IN PLACE OF ALDERMAN DORNON, TO THE BUILDING AND STANDARD BOARD FOR REMAINING TERM ENDING JUNE 28, 2023.

(D) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE BETWEEN AUSTIN COUNTY AND CITY OF BELLVILLE.

A motion was made by Alderman Kendrick and seconded by Alderwoman Hollon to approve consent agenda items. Motion carried unanimously.

11. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION CONCERNING BEDC BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT GRANT APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY 82 JOURNEY LLC NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000.

Alderman Dornon recused himself due to conflict of interest.

A motion was made by Alderman Kendrick and seconded by Alderwoman Hollon to approve the BEDC BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT GRANT APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY 82 JOURNEY LLC NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000. Motion carried unanimously.

12. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ORDINANCE ADDING ARTICLE 1.11 SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT PERMITS.

After some discussion no action was taken.

13. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A, ARTICLE A1.00 BY ADDING SECTION A1.005 SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT FEES OF THE CITY'S FEE SCHEDULE REGARDING SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT FEES.

After some discussion no action was taken.

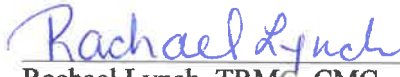
14. DISCUSSION ON PARKING ORDINANCE.

Council discussed concerns regarding trailers being parked on the side of the streets without a vehicle attached and trailers facing the wrong way. After some discussion no action was taken.

15. ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Alderman Kendrick and seconded by Alderman Dornon to adjourn at 7:28 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:



Rachael Lynch, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary



James Harrison, Mayor