City of Belleville City Council Meeting Monday, September 9, 2024 Belleville City Council Room

The meeting of the City of Belleville Council was held on Monday, September 9th, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Belleville City Council room. The Council met at 6:00 p.m. for a study session to hear information from Viking Industrial Painting regarding a program for water tower maintenance. The Council also briefly discussed sidewalks, parking at the races, special assessments, and mower attachments.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Adam Robertson called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pastor Rick Snodgrass offered the opening prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ATTENDENCE:

<u>Council members present:</u> Pam McGregor, Mike Nondorf, Doane Sells, James Doyle and Mike Palmquist. Chris Zach was absent.

<u>City Staff present:</u> City Manager Adam Anderson, City Clerk Russ Piroutek and City Attorney Coleman Younger.

Others present: Fred Arnold, Diane Boman, Chris Springer, and Rick Snodgrass.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES AND DISBURSEMENTS:

James Doyle made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 26th, 2024 regular Council Meeting. Mike Palmquist seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve the appropriations and disbursements. James Doyle seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Rick Snodgrass commented on stop signs needed at 18th & Q Street and a logo added to the water tower.

NEW BUSINESS:

A claim for damages was received from Danelle Swanson, 2309 Maple Drive, for damages to her water softener and excess water consumption for a total of \$675.92. After discussion of the incident the Council felt the City was not negligent, but the power fluctuations were caused by wear and tear over the years. No action was taken to approve the request.

James Doyle made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2024-015, designating land as a public street. Mike Palmquist seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote.

James Doyle made a motion to go into executive session for personnel matters of non-elected personnel, with the Mayor, to discuss the City Manager's evaluation, and return to the Council room at 7:45 p.m. Mike Palmquist seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. The Governing Body left for executive session at 7:24 p.m. The Council returned at 7:45 p.m. James Doyle made a motion to go back into executive session for personnel matters of non-elected personnel, with the Mayor, to continue discussion of the City Manager's evaluation, and return to the Council room at 8:05 p.m. Mike Palmquist seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. The Governing Body left for executive at 8:05 p.m. Mike Palmquist seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. The Governing Body left for executive session at 7:46 p.m. The Council returned at 8:05 p.m. No action was taken.

Mike Palmquist made a motion to go into executive session for consultation with an attorney on matters that would be deemed privileged in an attorney-client relationship, with the Mayor, City Manager, City Clerk and City Attorney, and return to the Council room at 8:15 p.m. James Doyle seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. The Governing Body left for executive session at 8:07 p.m. The Council returned at 8:15 p.m. Pam McGregor made a motion to have City Manager Anderson draw up a Resolution, rescinding Resolution No. 2024-013, for nuisances at 2312 O Street. Mike Palmquist seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a hand vote.

The City was notified by NMPP that before any additional electricity is put back on the grid, as study will need to be done to see the effects on the system. The cost of the study is \$15,000. It was mentioned that this does not guarantee NMPP will purchase additional power from the City, but they indicated they would discuss it. After some discussion, Mike Palmquist made a motion to approve the expenses of \$15,000 from the Electric fund for the study. Doane Sells seconded the motion, which carried on a voice vote of four yeas and one abstain cast by Pam McGregor.

COUNCIL MEMBER/MAYOR COMMENTS:

Mike Palmquist thanked the crews for their work on the streets.

Doane Sells mentioned Community Empowerment has activities coming up, but no dates yet.

Mike Nondorf stated the overlayed street at the Elementary School.

Pam McGregor reminded the public that there are lots of kids walking to and from school, so be cautious driving near the schools.

The Council briefly discussed visiting the bitcoin center in Superior, NE.

ADJOURNMENT:

James Doyle made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mike Palmquist seconded the motion, which carried unanimously on a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Russ Piroutek City Clerk