

**BELLEFONTAINE CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2024
7:30 pm**

CALL TO ORDER: Zeb Wagner
PLEDGE & INVOCATION:
ROLL CALL: Davis *First Chair*
Fitzpatrick
James
Reser
Springs
Aler
Baker *Minister* All Present

SUSPENSION READING OF MINUTES: Moved by Springs, seconded by Aler V All Ayes

CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONS: none

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS:

Mayor - Last week was a busy week starting Monday with four tours of 3rd graders. Council members Baker, Springs and Aler all helped out. Also gave commencement speeches for DARE and Calvary Christian School.

Wes Easton on the Board of Zoning Appeals commission expires July 9th and he has agreed to another five year term. Would ask Council to reappoint him.

Motion to reappoint Wes Easton to a 5 year term to the Bellefontaine Board of Zoning Appeals moved by Reser, seconded by James V All Ayes

S/SD - Crews from the Fire Department and Water Department are pressure testing and flushing hydrants which helps with our ISO rating for insurance purposes.
The water building is taking shape. Walls are up and should be completed by July.
A year ago, additional appropriations were approved for the Booster Station on E Sandusky Ave. One pump has been replaced and the second pump will be replaced on Thursday.
Two events downtown, Extending the Branch parade 11:00-11:30 am on Saturday with street closure on E. Columbus Ave. between Main and Madriver and Opera between Watson and Court. Then Friday, the 7th from noon until midnight the Downtown Business Partnership will have the Pineapple Palooza with full street closure inside the bypass area.
The DBP have revised plans to cut down on street closures.

Law - No report
Auditor - No report
Police Chief - Not present
Fire Chief - Not present
Engineer- Not present
Parks & Rec- Not present
Economic Dev- Not present

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Finance – Explained resolutions and ordinances on the agenda.

Rules - No report

President Wagner received communication from the Bellefontaine Planning Commission regarding some proposed modifications to the current zoning code of the City of Bellefontaine and he refers this to Mrs. James and the Rules Committee. The modifications are concerning enforcement and violations and the other with regional planning commission model techs for solar systems.

Safety - Explained ordinance on the agenda

Utilities - Committee will meet in the second week of June.

Streets - No report

Sidewalks, Curbs & Parks -No report
Audit – No report

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS: Vince Wolf, Union President for Firefighters Local 351, 5293 County Rd., 1, here asking for consideration to add the 22nd firefighter position.

Victoria Maddix, 556 E High Ave. here to speak in favor for the marijuana dispensary.

Bernie Ivan, 1009 N. Park Street, here to thank Council for standing with other Ohio cities and communities who have enacted a moratorium against dispensaries and to speak against the recreational use marijuana dispensaries.

Jeff Willetts, 616 Hillcrest Dr., here to thank Council and Administration for what they do and to speak against marijuana dispensaries.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

1. ORDINANCES FOR 1ST READING

R24-43 A. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE POLICE CHIEF OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT AN FY 2024 COPS HIRING PROGRAM GRANT TO ASSIST IN THE FUNDING OF FOUR POLICE OFFICERS. **FINANCE**

Adoption- Moved by Baker, seconded by Aler V All Ayes

R24-44 B. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE POLICE CHIEF OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT A 2024 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT TO PURCHASE REPLACEMENT BRINK RESPONDER DRONE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE FOR PURPOSES OF FIRE DEPARTMENT REPAIRS, MAINTENANCE AND INCIDENTALS AND POLICE INVESTIGATIONS AND VEHICLE MAINTENANCE FUEL AND OIL AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **FINANCE**

3RR- Moved by Baker, seconded by Springs V All Ayes
Passage-
Adoption-

24-45 C. AN ORDINANCE MAKING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND AMENDING THE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE FOR PURPOSES OF FIRE DEPARTMENT REPAIRS, MAINTENANCE AND INCIDENTALS AND POLICE INVESTIGATIONS AND VEHICLE MAINTENANCE FUEL AND OIL AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **FINANCE**

3RR- Moved by Baker, seconded by Aler V All Ayes
Passage-
Adoption-

R24-46 D. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT AN OHIO AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GRANT FOR STATE FISCAL YEAR 2025. **FINANCE**

Adoption- Moved by Baker, seconded by Springs V All Ayes

24-47 E. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND CREATING A NEW FIREFIGHTER POSITION IN THE BELLEFONTAINE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE SAFETY DIRECTOR AND FIRE CHIEF TO TAKE THE NECESSARY ACTION FOR THE HIRING OF SAID NEW FIREFIGHTER AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **SAFETY**

3RR- Moved by Reser, seconded by James V All Ayes

Passage- Moved by Reser, seconded by Fitzpatrick V All Ayes
Adoption- Moved by Reser, seconded by James V All Ayes

2. ORDINANCES FOR 2ND READING

24-40 A. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY AUDITOR TO EXECUTE AN ADOPTION AGREEMENT WITH OHIO DEFERRED COMPENSATION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY TO OFFER ITS EMPLOYEES THE OHIO DEFERRED COMPENSATION ROTH 457(b) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **FINANCE**

3RR- Moved by Baker, seconded by Aler V All Ayes
Passage-
Adoption-

24-41 B. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SERVICE-SAFETY TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH RDP TECHNOLOGIES, INC. FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE LIME FEED SCREW CONVEYOR, SLUDGE LIME MIXING AUGERS, CONTROL PANEL, LIME SILO DUST COLLECTOR, FILTER MEDIA, AND ASSOCIATED PARTS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **FINANCE**

3RR- Moved by Baker, seconded by Reser V All Ayes
Passage- Moved by Baker, seconded by Springs V All Ayes
Adoption- Moved by Baker, seconded by Springs V All Ayes

ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH ALFA LAVAL, INC. FOR THE RECONDITIONING OF THE BELT FILTER PRESS INCLUDING BELTS, ROLLERS, BEARINGS, WASHBOXES, HYDRAULICS, CONTROL PANEL AND ASSOCIATED PARTS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **FINANCE**

3RR- Moved by Baker, seconded by Springs V All Ayes
Passage- Moved by Baker, seconded by Aler V All Ayes
Adoption- Moved by Baker, seconded by Springs V All Ayes

3. ORDINANCES FOR 3RD READING

24-36 A. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 192 INCOME TAX OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO FOR PURPOSES OF LEVYING AN INCREASE IN INCOME TAXES IN THE AMOUNT OF 0.267 PERCENT IN SAID CITY FOR ADDITIONAL PARK AND RECREATION OPERATIONS AND CAPITAL EXPENDITURES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **FINANCE**

Adoption- Moved by Baker, seconded by Springs V All Ayes

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CLERK: none

COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL: none

ADJOURNMENT – 7:59 pm moved by James, seconded by Springs

