Bellbrook City Council Meeting February 27, 2023

## **CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER:**

Mayor Schweller called the Regular Meeting of the Bellbrook City Council to order at 7:00pm

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Schweller led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT** 

Mrs. Katherine Cyphers

Mr. Forrest Greenwood

Mr. Brady Harding

Mr. Ernie Havens

Mr. T.J. Hoke

Mrs. Elaine Middlestetter

Mayor Mike Schweller

ABSENT:

### **ALSO PRESENT:**

Rob Schommer, City Manager

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

None

## MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS / SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

Chief Carmin presented officer Tony Ruble with recognition and an award. Also, thanked the Bellbrook Fire Department for assisting in the emergency.

Officer Ruble thanked everyone in attendance for coming out for his recognition and award. He also thanked the City of Bellbrook for the tools, resources, training, and the great employees serving the Bellbrook community.

Mayor Schweller thanked Officer Ruble for his quick actions and for his commitment in serving the Bellbrook residents.

City Council thanked Officer Ruble.

Mayor Schweller asked if anyone wished to depart.

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Mayor Schweller announced a Proclamation for March 3<sup>rd</sup> in 2023 to be a day of unplugging in Bellbrook, Ohio.

Mayor Schweller introduced Mr. Fred Cramer a Sugarcreek Trustee whom spoke about Greene Connect.

Mr. Fred Cramer thanked the City of Bellbrook for the invite. Mr. Cramer suggested on working more in harmony with Bellbrook to be one community. The Connect Greene Grant for the bike pass from Bellbrook to Spring Valley that is 100% funded by the Federal Government. Also, spoke on the 675/Wilmington Pike interchange and funds to complete the project.

Mr. Cramer mentioned the Township Police Levy.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

None

#### PUBLIC HEARING OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES:

None

#### INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

None

#### **RESOLUTIONS:**

**Resolution 2023-R-4:** Authorizing the purchase of water meters from Badger Meter Inc. (Greenwood)

Mayor Schweller asked Mr. Schommer for some background on the water meters.

Mr. Schommer agreed to take all actions necessary to purchase water meters from Badger Meter Inc. at a cost not to exceed \$36,250.00. Asked council to consider the Resolution for Adoption.

Mayor Schweller asked council if anyone had questions or comments.

Mr. Hoke asked if there is any routine maintenance that is included with meters when purchased.

Mr. Ryan Pasley spoke on the meters.

Mr. Schommer mentioned the cost is recouped thru the installation of sales. Our customers are charged the cost of the meter upon installation.

Mr. Harding asked what the cost difference was from last year to the current year.

Mr. Pasley provided the price difference. Also, gave details on the life of the meters and the replacement timeframes.

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Mr. Havens asked if the meters were underground.

Mr. Pasley replied they are in a meter pit.

Mayor Schweller asked if anyone had any other questions. None

Mayor Schweller asked for a Motion to Adopt Resolution 2023-R-4

Motion made by Mr. Greenwood, Seconded by Mr. Hoke

Voting Yea: Mrs. Cyphers, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Harding, Mr. Havens, Mr. Hoke, Mrs. Middlestetter,

Mayor Schweller

**Motion Carries** 

**Resolution 2023-R-5:** Authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the Bellbrook-Sugarcreek Maple Festival Committee for the 2023 Sugar Maple Festival (Middlestetter)

Mayor Schweller stated this is something we typically get involved with, however, it is the first time we set it as a Resolution in which I am in favor of.

Mr. Schommer stated yes. I believe there have historically been agreements like this. We would need an Adopted thru a Resolution. Consider this for Adoption so we cab get this executed.

Mayor Schweller asked if there were any comments or questions of council. None

Mayor Schweller asked for a Motion for Resolution 2023-R-5.

Motion made by Mrs. Middlestetter, Seconded by Mrs. Cyphers.

Voting Yea: Mrs. Cyphers, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Harding, Mr. Havens, Mr. Hoke, Mrs. Middlestetter,

Mayor Schweller

**Motion Carries** 

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

None

### **CITY MANAGER REPORT:**

Mr. Schommer provided updates on the crosswalk approved by ODOT.

- -Bump outs
- -Signs
- -Pavement Markings
- -Flashing Beacons

Mayor Schweller stated if more lighting is needed we could use some of the American Rescue Plan Act

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Funds.

Mr. Schommer agreed.

Mayor Schweller asked if anyone in council had any follow up questions or comments. Council liked these updates.

Mr. Schommer spoke on staffing. Allowing police, fire, and service to have more time on personnel decisions. More time allowed until next meeting.

Mr. Schommer stated the fire truck grant is in the system.

Mr. Schommer provided details on the latest weather and concerns about the newly installed sirens.

Mayor Schweller asked if anyone had questions or comments regards to the City Manager Report. None

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

SAFETY:

None

SERVICE:

Mr. Greenwood spoke on downtown and the construction.

## FINANCE/GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS:

Mrs. Cyphers spoke on the meeting last week on the 2022, 4<sup>th</sup> quarter finance report.

We are now bringing this before council.

Mayor Schweller asked for a Motion to approve the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2022 finance report.

Motion made by Mrs. Cyphers, Seconded by Mr. Greenwood

Voting Yea: Mrs. Cyphers, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Harding, Mr. Havens, Mr. Hoke, Mrs. Middlestetter,

Mayor Schweller

**Motion Carries** 

# **COMMUNITY AFFAIRS:**

Mrs. Middlestetter spoke on the three council members whom did a presentation for the Shark Tank put on by the Lions Club. This would be for funding on the expansion on the Winters Library.

## **CITY OFFICIAL COMMENTS:**

All council members thanked Officer Ruble.

Thanked Greg Dart and crew for the great work on the Museum.

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Mayor Schweller thanked the police and fire department for their quick response to the accident of the fellow officer. Thanked all in attendance.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Hearing no further business coming before the Council, Mayor Schweller declared the meeting adjourned at 9:32\_pm

Michael Schweller, Mayor

Robert Schommer, Clerk of Council