Minutes of Bellbrook City Council Meeting November 23, 2015

PRESENT: Mr. Nick Edwards

Mrs. Elaine Middlestetter Mrs. Dona Seger-Lawson Deputy Mayor Mike Schweller

Mayor Bob Baird

ABSENT: Mr. Forrest Greenwood

Mr. Jon Martin

This is a summary of the City Council meeting held on Monday, November 23, 2015. Mayor Baird called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and the Clerk called the roll.

Mr. Jon Martin and Mr. Forrest Greenwood were absent. Mrs. Middlestetter moved to excuse Mr. Martin and Mr. Greenwood. Mr. Edwards seconded the motion. The Clerk called the roll: Mrs. Middlestetter, yes; Mr. Edwards, yes; Mrs. Seger-Lawson, yes; Mr. Schweller, yes; Mayor Baird, yes. The motion was carried 5-0.

After polling members of City Council, as there were no corrections or additions to the **work session** and regular meeting minutes of November 9, 2015, Mayor Baird declared the minutes approved as written.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Baird read a Proclamation recognizing November as **Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month** in Bellbrook, Ohio.

Charlie Luse, 1140 McBee Rd., lost his wife Cindy to pancreatic cancer earlier this year. Mr. Luse spoke about the importance of pancreatic cancer awareness and support for research and a cure. His wife, Cindy was at the Council Meeting last November to support the Proclamation from the City. Mr. Luse thanked the City for the Proclamation.

PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCES

Mr. Edwards read **Ordinance No. 2015-13.** An Ordinance adopting the Revised City of Bellbrook Personnel Manual. Mr. Schlagheck said several references to the Fire Department 24/48 shift schedule were updated due to the Collective Bargaining Agreement that is now in place with the Fire Department. Other changes were the clarification of language in vacation time. New language was added so that part time employees, other than those with the Police and Fire Departments, are able to accrue paid personal leave time at a rate of .05 per hour worked.

Mayor Baird opened the public hearing for Ordinance No. 2015-13.

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Being no comments from Council or the public, Mayor Baird closed the public hearing and asked for a motion.

Mr. Edwards made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-13. Mr. Schweller seconded the motion. The Clerk called the roll: Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Schweller, yes; Mrs. Middlestetter, yes; Mrs. Seger-Lawson, yes; Mayor Baird, yes. The motion was carried 5-0.

Mrs. Middlestetter read **Ordinance No. 2015-14.** An ordinance to transfer property to Sugarcreek Township for the Safe Routes to School project and declaring an emergency. This authorizes the donation of 0.07 acres to Sugarcreek Township for the bike path along Upper Bellbrook Road. The donated land is in front of the City's water tower. The Township will grant the City an access easement over the donated land. This ordinance needs to be passed as an **emergency** to meet the grant deadline for the project.

Mayor Baird opened the public hearing for **Ordinance No. 2015-14.**

Being no comments from Council or the public, Mayor Baird closed the public hearing and asked for a motion.

Mrs. Middlestetter made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-14. Mrs. Seger-Lawson seconded the motion. The Clerk called the roll: Mrs. Middlestetter, yes; Mrs. Seger-Lawson, yes; Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Schweller yes; Mayor Baird, yes. The motion was carried 5-0.

INTRODCUTION OF ORDINANCES

Mrs. Seger-Lawson **read Ordinance No. 2015-15**. An Ordinance amending appropriation ordinances 2014-10 and 2015-10 to adjust the City of Bellbrook appropriations to reflect additional cost in some lines items and reduced costs in other line items. This amends the final appropriations for 2015.

Mrs. Seger-Lawson made a motion to introduce Ordinance 2015-15. Mrs. Middlestetter seconded the motion. The Clerk called the roll: Mrs. Seger-Lawson, yes; Mrs. Middlesetter, yes; Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Schweller, yes; Mayor Baird, yes. The motion was carried 5-0.

Mr. Schweller **read Ordinance No. 2015-16**. An Ordinance making appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Bellbrook for fiscal year ending December 31, 2016. This adopts the 2016 appropriations. A full presentation of the 2016 budget will be made at the December 14th Council meeting during the public hearing of this ordinance.

Mr. Schweller made a motion to introduce Ordinance 2015-16. Mr. Edwards seconded the motion. The Clerk called the roll: Mr. Schweller, yes; Mr. Edwards, yes; Mrs. Middlestetter, yes; Mrs. Seger-Lawson, yes; Mayor Baird, yes. The motion carried 5-0.

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CITY MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Schlagheck said the Vemco/Firebird Project is virtually complete. There will be a Maintenance Bond in place for one year for the restoration work and paving. Mr. Schlagheck said he did appreciate the property owners in the immediate vicinity for their patience.

Mr. Schlagheck also said the retaining wall by Pioneer Cemetery is finished. The asphalt path needs to be restored. A contractor will be doing that soon.

Mr. Schlagheck mentioned that the Bicentennial Committee has established a schedule of events to occur. The celebration will kick off at the Sugar Maple festival and wrap up at the Lions Club Festival. The Committee will have a website (bellbrook200.com) up soon that will have a link to make donations and list all of the activities.

Mr. Schlagheck also said that the City Offices will be closed on Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving Holiday. He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Service: No report at this time. **Safety:** No report at this time.

Finance/Audit: No report at this time.

Community Affairs: Mrs. Middlestetter wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving weekend.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

OPEN DISCUSISON

Mr. Edwards wanted to thank Mr. Luse for coming and accepting the Proclamation tonight. His wish is that this Proclamation which raises awareness would help eradicate this cancer in our life time.

Mr. Schweller wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and safe holiday.

Mayor Baird also wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. He encouraged people to be careful.

Nathan Cordonnier, 1140 McBee Rd, Nathan is a Boy Scout in Troop 375. He is working on his Communications merit badge and wanted to attend a City Council meeting. He shared with Council about his Eagle Scout project. He had a friend, Connor Campbell, who was also a boy scout with him in fifth grade. Connor's dream for an Eagle Scout project was to put signs under the bridges that go over the water. Connor died in fifth grade and Nathan wanted to honor Connor's family by fulfilling Connor's dream. Mayor Baird thanked Nathan for coming tonight.

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Mr Schatzberg, 4082 Ridgetop Rd. He likes to see the City and Township working together. He said

that with the City donating the property for the bike path shows that the City is willing to work with the Township. The bike path will benefit everyone.
ADJOURN Being no further business to come before this regular session of the Bellbrook City Council, Mayor Baird declared the meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.
Robert L. Baird, Mayor
Jami L. Kinion, Clerk of Council