

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Bellbrook City Council Meeting

April 27, 2015

## **PRESENT:**

Mr. Forrest Greenwood  
Mr. Jon Martin  
Mrs. Elaine Middlestetter  
Mrs. Dona Seger-Lawson  
Deputy Mayor Mike Schweller  
Mayor Bob Baird

**ABSENT:** Mr. Nick Edwards

This is a summary of the City Council meeting held on Monday, April 27, 2015. Mayor Baird called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and the Clerk called the roll.

**Mr. Schweller made a motion to excuse Mr. Edwards.** Mrs. Seger-Lawson seconded the motion. The Clerk called the roll: Mr. Schweller, yes; Mrs. Seger-Lawson, yes; Mr. Greenwood, yes; Mr. Martin, yes; Mrs. Middlestetter, yes; Mayor Baird, yes. The motion was carried 6-0.

After polling members of City Council, as there were no corrections or additions to the **regular meeting minutes of April 13, 2015**, Mayor Baird declared the minutes approved as written.

## **SPECIAL GUESTS/MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Boy Scout Jared Jaquish** from Troop 56 in Beavercreek spoke about the Eagle Scout project he is working on in partnership with the Lions Club. Jared, with help from the Lions Club, his father and fellow Boy Scouts, made and put up a community entrance sign on Feedwire Road that matches the other two entrance signs. Jared thanked Ernst Concrete for donating the concrete for the project, and Sunbelt who donated scaffolding for them to use to put the sign up, as well as the Lions Club who covered the cost of the sign.

**Chris Ewing, Chamber of Commerce Director**, thanked everyone for all of the help with the Sugar Maple Festival this past weekend. She also reminded everyone of the community garage sales on May 14-16. Residents can sign up by calling the Chamber office or on the Chamber website. They are working with several organizations and will have a list where you can take any unsold items to donate. There will also be a Salvation Army truck at Dot's on Saturday afternoon. The National Day of Prayer event will be held May 7<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 am at Bellhop Café. Ms. Ewing shared that Mary Ann Stone, founder of Open Arms Health Clinic, passed away. The Chamber is going to do everything they can to help keep the free clinic open, and are asking for volunteers. Finally, the Citizens for Sugarcreek Schools are passing out signs that say "We Support our Schools" and asking business to put these signs in their windows. This is not a levy sign and they are asking for the sign to be left out year round.

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## **PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCES**

Mr. Schweller read **Ordinance No. 2015-3** Amending Chapter 1226, *Erosion Control, Sediment Abatement and Stormwater Management*, of the Bellbrook Municipal Code to ensure compliance with State and National Standards.

This Chapter must be updated to comply with the State and National standards. The last modification was done in November 2013. Being no comments from the public, the Mayor closed the public hearing and asked for a motion.

**Mr. Schweller made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2015-3.** Mr. Martin seconded the motion. The Clerk called the roll: Mr. Schweller, yes; Mr. Martin, yes; Mr. Greenwood, yes; Mrs. Middlestetter, yes; Mrs. Seger-Lawson, yes; Mayor Baird, yes. The motion was carried 6-0.

Mr. Martin read **Ordinance No. 2015-4** approving the re-zoning of 57, 65, 71, and 79 W Franklin Street from O-1, Office Building District to B-4, Central Business District.

Mr. Schlagheck said this re-zoning has been initiated by the City to make the zoning in downtown more consistent. Two of the four lots include the library and the parking lot for the library which are owned by the City. One of the other lots was recently purchased and has a residence that is in very bad shape. Under the current zoning if that house was demolished a new house could not be re-built. Being no comments from the public, the Mayor closed the public hearing and asked for a motion.

**Mr. Martin made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2015-4.** Mrs. Middlestetter seconded the motion. The Clerk called the roll: Mr. Martin, yes; Mrs. Middlestetter, yes; Mr. Greenwood, yes; Mrs. Seger-Lawson, yes; Mr. Schweller, yes; Mayor Baird, yes. The motion was carried 6-0.

## **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

Mr. Schlagheck said the Schools have a 5.5 mill replacement levy on the ballot, May 5th. Information regarding this levy and what it will cost is on the school website.

At the last meeting Mr. Greenwood asked about scheduling a safety committee meeting with the Police Chief and Fire Chief. That committee meeting will be before the next council meeting on May 11<sup>th</sup>. The safety committee is made up of Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Martin, and Mrs. Middlestetter.

The City of Bellbrook will celebrate its bicentennial in 2016. Mr. Schlagheck has been asked about putting up banners in the City. The City would like to be involved in the celebration, but as of today it is unknown if there is a group who will be making these plans.

Mr. Schlagheck thanked the Sugar Maple Festival committee for all of the planning for the festival, as well as the Fire, Police and Service departments.

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## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Service:** Mrs. Seger-Lawson thanked the service department for helping with the Sugar Maple Festival.

**Safety:** No report.

**Finance/Audit:** Mr. Schweller shared that as of today the budget is on track for 2015.

**Community Affairs:** Mrs. Middlestetter said the Yellow Brick Road ribbon cutting is this Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2:00 pm. She also spoke about Mary Ann Stone and the important role her and her husband, Fred, have had in many things here in Bellbrook. Her passing was sudden and she will be missed.

## OPEN DISCUSSION

**Mr. Greenwood** spoke about how successful the Sugar Maple Festival was, despite the rain on Saturday.

**Mr. Martin** spoke about the school levy and how important the Bellbrook-Sugarcreek Schools are to the community.

**Mrs. Middlestetter** said the Garden Club gave out several packets of flower and vegetable seeds at the festival.

**Mrs. Seger-Lawson** thanked the Police Department for having one of the new cruisers available for people to look at and sit in at the festival.

**Mayor Baird** also spoke about the great festival and thanked Louie for driving the shuttle at the festival.

**Louie Schatzberg, 4082 Ridgetop Drive**, also spoke about the festival and thanked the people who rode the shuttles and the citizens who attended the festival.

**Doug Jaquish, 600 McBee Road**, thanked the Lions Club for their help with his son's Eagle Scout project. He said this has been a great introduction to the community, as they are in the process of moving to Bellbrook.

## ADJOURN

Being no further business to come before this regular session of the Bellbrook City Council, Mayor Baird declared the meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

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Robert L. Baird, Mayor

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Carrie C. Smith, Clerk of Council