

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of Bellbrook City Council Regular Meeting
November 8, 2021

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 introduced Kelli Kempton and her two children Kenleigh and Kolby who were invited to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present: TJ Hoke; Ernie Havens; Forrest Greenwood; Elaine Middlestetter; Mayor Schweller

Absent: Dr. Van Veldhuizen

Mr. Hoke entered a motion to excuse the absence of Dr. Van Veldhuizen, and it was seconded by Mr. Havens. On a call of the vote. Mr. Hoke, Mr. Havens, Mr. Greenwood, Mrs. Middlestetter, and Mayor Schweller voted yea; none voted nay. The motion passed 5-0

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Rob Schommer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Schweller asked if anyone had any comments or corrections to the minutes of October 25, 2021. Hearing none he declared the minutes approved.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS/SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

Mayor Schweller gave congratulations for Mr. Greenwood's re-election and also welcomed newly elected Katherine Cyphers and Brady Harding.

PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCES - none

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

- Ordinance 2021-9. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE APPROPRIATIONS FOR EXPENSES OF THE CITY OF BELLBROOK FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2022, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Mrs. Middlestetter)

Mr. Schommer explained the details of the supplemental appropriation including transfers having net zero effect on the budget and additional \$2,952 of CARES act dollars.

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Mrs. Middlestetter made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2021-9; Mr. Hoke seconded the motion. On a call of the vote, Mr. Hoke, Mr. Havens, Mr. Greenwood, Mrs. Middlestetter, and Mayor Schweller voted yea; none voted nay. The motion passed 5-0

RESOLUTIONS - none

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS – none

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Schommer reported the following:

- Mr. Schommer recognized November 11 Veterans Day coming up and honoring our Veterans and their families for providing the freedoms we enjoy.
- With passage of Issue 5, the budget presentation will remain as estimated and thanks to the community for entrusting the City with the funds.
- A work session will be scheduled for December 13th for Kleingers Group to discuss the final Streetscape Study report.
- 2022 Budget remains in finalization for presentation

Mayor Schweller thanked Mr. Schommer.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Service – Mr. Greenwood reported an article in the Dayton Daily news about shortage of snow plow drivers and supplies and Bellbrook is fully staffed and equipped to handle upcoming winter months.

Safety – Mr. Hoke thanked Sugarcreek Township fire and police for assisting in an escort of local football teams out of town heading to playoff games.

Finance – Mayor Schweller reported the budget is still underway and on schedule for initial introduction November 22.

Community Affairs – Mrs. Middlestetter indicated the interview process is still underway for the Clerk of Council position.

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CLERK'S REPORT

- November 22 – Introduction of 2022 Budget Ordinance
- December 13 - Public Hearing of 2022 Budget Ordinance

COMMENTS

Mr. Greenwood thanked everyone for voting and looks forward to continue working for the community

Mr. Havens recognized Veterans Day coming up, and noted the amount of suicides and difficulty experienced by veterans, making sure that everyone reaches out to and talks with any veteran they know to let them know they are thought of and appreciated.

Mr. Hoke also recognized upcoming Veterans Day, noting it is recognized as Armistice Day denoting that at the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918 with the Armistice with Germany going into effect. He also noted that not all wounds are visible, and be on the lookout for veterans in need. He also thanked the voters coming out to vote noting a high turn-out in numbers.

Mrs. Middlestetter added her thanks to the voters for making their voice heard.

Mayor Schweller also thanked the Veterans of the Bellbrook community for their service. He also thanked the voters for passing Issue 5 by 70% of the vote, noting it is the City's only non-permanent source of funding. He stated the City will be responsible to spend it the right way, and will spend it as if it were our own.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Schweller recognized Kenleigh Kempton as being present for the 3rd grade visit to the Government Center. Kenleigh introduced herself, and Mayor Schweller presented her and her brother Kolby with a City pin.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Schweller noted the regular portion of the meeting for the viewing audience is complete, and there was a need for an Executive Session to consider the appointment, employment or compensation of a public employee.

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Mrs. Middlestetter made a motion to enter into executive session, and it was seconded by Mr. Greenwood. On the call of the vote: Mr Hoke, Mr. Havens, Mr. Greenwood, Mrs. Middlestetter, yand Mayor Schweller votes yes; none voted no. Motion passed 6-0 and Council retreated into executive session at 7:29 pm.

At 8:57 pm Mrs. Middlestetter made a motion to exit executive session, and it was seconded by Mr. Hoke. On the call of the vote: Mr Hoke, Mr. Havens, Mr. Greenwood, Mrs. Middlestetter, yand Mayor Schweller votes yes; none voted no. Motion passed 6-0 and Council exited executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor announced no decisions, recommendation or formal actions took place in executive session, and that there was no further business for Council at this meeting. He adjourned the meeting at 8:57PM.



Mayor Schweller, Mayor



Robert Schommer, Clerk of Council