CITY OF BELLA VILLA BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING October 27, 2022

CALL TO ORDER 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

	Mayor Donna Puleo	Present
•	Alderman John Franklin	Present
•	Alderwoman Mary Sikorski	Present
•	Alderwoman Alice Lotspeich	Present
	Alderman Jeffrey Robinson	Excused
•	Alderwoman Meghan Dunn	Present
•	Alderman Paul Sharp	Present

QUORUM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OTHERS PRESENT

- Laura Van Zale, City Clerk
- Tim Allen, Police Chief
- Andrew Kinghorn, City Attorney

RESIDENTS/PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE

- Donna Franklin
- Scott Dedert
- Alvin Schuld
- Diana Michel
- Terri Thornton
- Tammy Brush Adams

Approval of Minutes September 22, 2022 Board of Aldermen Meeting

Motion:

Alderman Sharp

Second:

Alderman Sikorski

All in favor: 5 Opposed: 0 Motion passed

Approval of Minutes September 22, 2022 Closed Session

Motion:

Alderman Lotspeich

Second:

Alderman Dunn

All in favor: 5 Opposed: 0 **Motion passed**

Approval of Minutes October 20, 2022 Closed Session

Tabled until December 2022 meeting

Approval of Financial Statements from September 2022:

Motion: Second: Alderman Sikorski Alderman Lotspeich

All in favor: 5 Opposed: 0

Motion passed

Approval of the bills from September 2022

Motion:

Alderman Sharp

Second:

Alderman Franklin

All in favor: 5 Opposed: 0 **Motion Passed**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - Moved up on the agenda

 Mayor Puleo said a decision was made to make no changes to the current Occupancy Permit Code 535.140, as it applies to short term rentals. Anyone running a short-term rental such as Airbnb in the City, must follow the code in place that requires an inspection and occupancy permit for each new renter.

MAYORS REPORT - Mayor Puleo

- Republic Services will be taking a price increase in December 2022. The fourth quarter resident invoices have already been mailed. Residents will see the increase on their first quarter invoice and a one-time additional charge to cover December 2022 already invoiced. Going forward Republic Service will notify the Mayor in August of any upcoming rate increases.
- The repaving of Bayless is to begin next week. The current portion of the project will be from Lemay Ferry to McDonalds. There is no date for the bridge replacement. There will bike lanes in both directions from Lemay to Avenue H. The median at the Avenue H stop light will be removed and made into a turning lane for DKStuff and Bayless Key & Lock, which will have one way in and one way out. The entire project is to be completed in 2024
- The version of QuickBooks currently being used is no longer supported by Microsoft.
 The most current version is \$799 plus labor from Affordable Computers to install on 2 office computers

Motion to purchase and have installed the latest version of QuickBooks.

Motion:

Alderman Sikorski

Second:

Alderwoman Dunn

All in favor: 5 Opposed: 0 Motion Passed

 The owner of Blast Technology has again asked the City to have the tree trimmed behind City Hall that is dropping limbs on his equipment/vehicles. Mayor Puleo is not certain of the City's boundary lines behind City Hall and Alvira Moll Park.

Motion made to request bids for a staked survey of the City Hall & Alvira Moll Park property lines.

Motion: Second: Alderman Franklin Alderman Sharp

All in favor: 5 Opposed: 0 Motion Passed

POLICE REPORT - Chief Allen -

- Chief Allen stated Officer Corbett's last day will be 11/9/22. He has found a position with higher pay and benefits.
- Chief Allen stated Officer Rowland declined the full-time offer.
- Car #4 needs a new battery.

TREASURER REPORT: VACANT

HEALTH AND SANITATION - Alice Lotspeich

- Commissioner Lotspeich delivered a letter to a resident on Landor Court. The letter provided 14 days to clean up weed, grass, etc. in the yard.
- Chief Allen asked about the condition of the back porch at a residence on Dallas. Commissioner Lotspeich will look at the porch.

BUILDING: John Franklin

- Commissioner Franklin performed the following inspections and issued permits since the September 2022 Board meeting:
 - 1 mechanical/building permit issued
 - 1 mechanical/building inspection
 - 3 home inspections
 - 2 home re-inspection

PARKS - VACANT

STREET AND SEWER - Ray Reeder

Street sign replacement is on-going.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - VACANT

Looking at possible grants.

WARD ONE: ALDERMAN FRANKLIN and ALDERWOMAN LOTSPEICH Nothing to report.

WARD TWO: ALDERWOMAN DUNN and SHARP Nothing to report.

WARD THREE: ALDERMAN ROBINSON and ALDERWOMAN SIKORSKI

Alderwoman Sikorski thanked Chief Allen for the police presence on Avenue H.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

 AT&T Broadband service and telephone service change-over is delayed. AT&T needs to run lines underground from behind 755 Avenue H to City Hall. Two snow removal bids were received and discussed.

Motion made to approve Hoffman Concrete for the 2022/2023 snow removal.

Motion: Alderman Dunn Second: Alderman Sikorski

Roll was called and the members of the Board voted as follows:

Alderman Lotspeich Yes Alderman Robinson Excused
Alderman Dunn Yes Alderman Franklin Yes
Alderman Sikorski Yes Alderman Sharp No

Having received four affirmative votes, the contract with Hoffman Concrete was approved.

Motion made to set aside vote to hire Hoffman Concrete for the 2022/2023 snow removal.

Motion: Alderman Dunn Second: Alderman Sikorski

Motion made to approve McManus Construction for the 2022/2023 snow removal.

Motion: Alderman Franklin Second: Alderman Sharp

Roll was called and the members of the Board voted as follows:

Alderman Lotspeich No Alderman Robinson Excused Alderman Dunn Yes Alderman Franklin Yes Alderman Sikorski Yes Alderman Sharp Yes

Having received four affirmative votes, the contract with McManus Construction was approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Fiscal Year 2022-2023 budget was presented and discussed.

Motion for first reading, title only Bill No. 558, Ordinance No. 537, An ordinance of the City of Bella Villa approving the budget for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

Motion: Alderman Sikorski Second: Alderman Lotspeich

All in favor: 5 Opposed: 0

Motion for second reading, title only Bill No. 558, Ordinance No. 537, An ordinance of the City of Bella Villa approving the budget for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

Motion: Alderman Franklin Second: Alderman Dunn

All in favor: 5 Opposed: 0 **Motion Passed**

- Gravois Creek OMCI Reimbursement Program was discussed. The City of Bella Villa will participate in the program using the 5 years allowed to accumulate funds for a yet unknown project.
- A discussion regarding a contract between the City of Wilbur Park and the City of Bella Villa allowing City of Bella Villa to provide court services for City of Wilbur Park.
 Bella Villa will keep any fine and cost collected as the only reimbursement.

Motion to enter into an agreement with City of Wilbur Park for court services provided by the City of Bella Villa.

Motion:

Alderman Lotspeich Alderman Dunn

Second:
All in favor: 5

Opposed: 0
Motion Passed

 A Board of Aldermen meeting will not be held in November due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. The next scheduled Board of Aldermen meeting will be held December 6, 2022.

RESIDENT/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (two minutes each)

- Resident Terry Thornton thanked Mayor Puleo for the City's stance on short-term rentals.
- Tammy Brush Adams stated there is still problems with the house on Dallas. The
 residents are parking in front of fire hydrants and allowing their trash to blow in
 neighbors' yards.

Motion to go into Closed Session

Motion: Alderman Sharp Second: Alderman Franklin

All in favor: 5 Opposed: 0 Motion Passed

Motion to Adjourn

Motion: Alderman Sharp Second: Alderman Lotspeich

All in favor: 5 Opposed: 0 **Motion Passed**

Meeting Adjourned 8:30 p.m.

Mayor Puleo on m Rus

Date: 1-31-23

City Clerk Van Zale

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