CITY OF BELLA VILLA

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING**

**JULY 27, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER 7:02 p.m.**

**ROLL CALL**

* Mayor Donna Puleo Present
* Alderman John Franklin Present
* Alderwoman Mary Sikorski Present
* Alderwoman Joanne Yates Present
* Alderman John Grevas Present
* Alderman Jeffrey Robinson Unexcused
* Alderwoman Cindy Schwegmann Excused

**QUORUM**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

# OTHERS PRESENT

Matthew Niemeier, Sargent of Police

Jim Majewski, Treasurer

Laura Van Zale, City Clerk

Jessica Liss, City Attorney

**RESIDENTS/PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE**

**RESIDENT/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** (two minutes each)

**Approval of Minutes from June 22, 2017 Board of Aldermen Meeting.**

Motion: Alderwoman Yates

Second: Alderwoman Sikorski

All in favor: 5

Opposed: 0

**Motion Passed**

**Approval of Minutes from June 22, 2017 Closed Board of Aldermen Meeting**

Motion: Alderman Franklin

Second: Alderwoman Yates

All in favor: 5

Opposed: 0

**Motion Passed**

**Approval of Financial Statements from May 2017**

Motion: Alderwoman Sikorski

Second: Alderwoman Yates

All in favor: 5

Opposed: 0

**Motion Passed**

**Approval of the Bills**

Motion: Alderwoman Yates

Second: Alderwoman Sikorski

All in favor: 5

Opposed: 0

**Motion Passed**

**MAYOR’S REPORT: MAYOR PULEO**

* Mayor Puleo will put down rock salt at the entrance of George Appel Park next week to kill the vegetation.

**POLICE REPORT: SARGENT NIEMEIER**

* Car #2 was down due to no air conditioning. The repair was $200.
* Car #3 was down due to it needing freon.
* A Bella Villa resident attempted suicide and was later arrested.
* The Police Department is going to start purchasing summer uniforms for the new officers.
* The Police Department is going to start purchasing new bullet proof vests to replace the outdated vests.
* Sargent Niemeier introduced Larry Kirk as a possible new hire.

**TREASURER’S REPORT: JIM MAJEWSKI**

* Jim Majewski spoke to the City’s Valic representative:
  + Proposition P funds will go into effect October 2017. Jim Majewski does not know when the City will begin receiving the funds.
* $2,000 per month will be budgeted for Proposition P as of January 1, 2018.

**HEALTH AND SANITATION: ALICE LOTSPEICH** – Not in attendance

* Mayor Puleo would like to put rock salt down to kill the vegetation in front of George Appel Park.
* The homeowner on Ruprecht is now putting her trash cans away.

**BUILDING COMMISSIONER: JOHN FRANKLIN**

* May 27, 2017, a permit was issued for a privacy fence at 775 Dallas.

**PARKS COMMISSIONER: BOB BIGGERSTAFF –** Not in attendance

* The lawn service is not cleaning up plastic bags in George Appel before cutting the grass. Mayor Puleo has contacted the company.
* The over-hangs on the benches in Alvira Moll Park are deteriorating.

**STREET AND SEWER: Vacant**

* Greg Sikorski surveyed the City streets and made a list of all potholes.
* Laura Van Zale will send out a 2nd request for bid for pot hole repair to new set of contractors and will add the list of pot holes.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: JOANNE YATES**

* Joanne Yates attended the Park Grant meeting.
  + The deadline for submission is August 2017.
  + The City can receive up to $6,500 in matching funds.
    - The monument at George Appel Park needs to be moved approximately 5 feet in order to allow access to emergency and trash vehicles.
    - The gazebo in Alvira Moll Park is deteriorating.
    - Mulch is needed in Alvira Moll Park.

**CITY SERVICES: GREG SIKORSKI–** Not in attendance

* Nothing to report.

**WARD ONE: ALDERMAN FRANKLIN and ALDERMAN GREVAS**

Alderman Grevas reported the following:

* The weeds in front of George Appel Park need to be removed.

Alderman Franklin reported the following:

* A resident on Ruprecht has requested a handicapped parking sign in front of their home.

**WARD TWO: ALDERWOMAN YATES and ALDERWOMAN SCHWEGMANN**

Alderwoman Schwegmann reported the following:

* Cars are driving fast on Bella Villa.

Alderwoman Yates reported the following:

* Alderwoman Yates has been unable to make contact with the resident behind her with regards to the holes in the resident’s fence. She will send a letter.
* Alderwoman Yates requested Building Commissioner Franklin to inspect the fence on the south side of her property.

**WARD THREE: ALDERMAN ROBINSON and ALDERWOMAN SIKORSKI**

Alderwoman Sikorski reported the following:

* The trash cans are still not being put away after trash pick-up at a residence on Avenue H. The Health & Sanitation Commissioner is to issue a citation.
* There is a piece of concrete missing from the circle in the middle of Fawn Circle.
* The soffit is hanging off a house on Fawn Circle. John Franklin will inspect.
* Alderwoman Sikorski suggested it was damage caused by the trash truck. Mayor Puleo will contact the trash company.
* Do the residents on the corner of Avenue H & Avenue C realize their parking pad with the decorative lights is an easement? Building Commissioner John Franklin will speak with them.
* A few residents on Avenue H complimented the work of the City’s Policemen and would like to purchase the signs reading “We support the Police”. The pawn shop at Gravois & Seibert is selling them for $10 each.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS–**

* 2017/2018 Budget: Budget meeting held prior to Aldermen meeting.
* Show Me Courts: The Court Clerk is to go live 6/26/17. The Prosecutor’s Clerk is to go live 7/11/17. There are no webinars or training available yet for the Prosecutor’s Clerk. The project leader for Show Me Courts has resigned and there is no replacement yet.
* Personnel Policy & Procedures Manual: Jessica Liss not present
* Peddlers & Solicitors Permit: Jessica Liss not present.

**NEW BUSINESS –**

* Donna Tharp will attend JIS training.
* St. Louis County Police Contract:

Motion made to approve contract

Motion: Alderwoman Yates

Second: Alderman Franklin

All in favor: 6

Opposed: 0

**Motion Passed**

Motion to go into closed session

Motion: Alderman Grevas

Second: Alderman Franklin

All in favor: 6

Opposed: 0

**Motion Passed**

Motion to Adjourn: Alderman Grevas

Second: Alderman Franklin

All in favor: 6

Opposed: 0

**Motion Passed**

Meeting Adjourned 8:05 p.m.

Mayor Puleo\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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City Clerk Van Zale\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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