

**CITY OF BELLA VILLA
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING
MARCH 22, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER 7:01 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 Present
- Alderwoman Cindy Schwegmann Excused

QUORUM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OTHERS PRESENT

Jeffrey Welge, Police Chief
Laura Van Zale, City Clerk
Jim Majewski, City Treasurer
Alice Lotspeich, Health & Sanitation

RESIDENTS/PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE

Ray Reeder
Gregg Puleo
Lee Zell

RESIDENT/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (two minutes each)

Approval of Minutes from February 22, 2018 Board of Aldermen Meeting

Motion: Alderwoman Yates
Second: Alderman Franklin
All in favor: 5
Opposed: 0

Motion Passed

Approval of Financial Statements from February 2017

Motion: Alderwoman Sikorski
Second: Alderman Robinson
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

- A resident placed a toilet on the curb. Mayor Puleo contacted Waste Management and requested the toilet be removed. A letter will be sent to the resident reminding them bulk pick-up is available monthly from Waste Management, but a call must be made requesting the service.
- The city wide garage sale will be held June 16, 2018.
- It is time for the newsletter to be written and circulated. The city wide garage sale and a reminder about bulk pick-up from Waste Management will be included.
- The entrance to George Appel Park needs to be widened to allow the access of fire equipment. The Lemay Fire Department has expressed their concern with the current entrance.
- Mayor Puleo attended an MSD meeting. While there she showed MSD employees pictures of the sewer at the entrance to George Appel Park that is blocked by the new curb. MSD feels the curb is there in error. The sewer is meant to receive water from all sides.
- MSD was called to clean out the above sewer but they cleaned out the wrong one. MSD has been contacted again to clean the correct sewer.
- The speed limit sign on Avenue H at Bayless has been put back in the ground.
- There was a water main break on Fawn Circle February 27, 2018. A temporary fix has been done. The permanent work will be finished in the next 8 – 10 weeks.

POLICE REPORT: CHIEF WELGE

- Officer Brandon Thomlinson was introduced to the Board. He is a potential part-time police officer.
- Car #2 was backed into by a driver during a traffic stop. Only the license plate was damaged. A new license plate will be bought.
- The resident at 705 Ruprecht contacted Chief Welge because a neighbor is placing construction waste in their trash cans.

TREASURER'S REPORT: JIM MAJEWSKI

- A budget review meeting is scheduled for 4/26/18, at 6:30 pm.
- Treasurer Majewski spoke with an employee of McManus Construction. He said when they were salting the City streets it took them approximately 1.5 hours to go through the entire City versus the 6 hours claimed by our current contractor.

HEALTH AND SANITATION – Alice Lotspeich

- Commissioner Lotspeich received a call regarding a resident on Dallas Drive that parks their car facing the wrong direction for days at a time. Officer Navratil has spoken to them about this.
- Commissioner Lotspeich received a call regarding a lot of activity at night at a home on Dallas. Chief Welge will have the Officers keep an eye on this home.
- Commissioner Lotspeich received a call regarding a garage on Ruprecht. The caller said there is constant activity in the garage day & night. Commissioner Lotspeich learned the owner's brother was living in the garage. She has since put him out.
- There is construction at a home on Hoffmeister. Commissioner Lotspeich asked

Commissioner Franklin to check on the activity with regards to permits.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER: JOHN FRANKLIN

- 2/28/18, a permit was issued for a driveway at 3921 E. Dallas.
- 3/1/18, an inspection was performed at 724 Bella Villa. It was conditionally approved.
- 3/7/18, an inspection was performed at 3817 Bayless. It passed inspection.
- 3/19/18, an inspection was performed at 605 Landor Court. It did not pass inspection.
- 3/21/18, an inspection was performed at 634 San Gabriel. It passed inspection.

PARKS COMMISSIONER: BOB BIGGERSTAFF – Not in attendance

- Nothing to report.

STREET AND SEWER: GREG SIKORSKI – Not in attendance

- Nothing to report.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: JOANNE YATES

Nothing to report.

CITY SERVICES: VACANT

WARD ONE: ALDERMAN FRANKLIN and ALDERMAN GREVAS

Reported by Alderman Franklin:

- A resident on Ruprecht is in rehab due to a broken hip. Alderman Franklin asked if the police would keep an eye out while no one is at the home.

WARD TWO: ALDERWOMAN YATES and ALDERWOMAN SCHWEGMANN

Nothing to report.

WARD THREE: ALDERMAN ROBINSON and ALDERWOMAN SIKORSKI

Reported by Alderwoman Sikorski:

- Alderwoman Sikorski would like a call made to Waste Management regarding the damaged curb on Fawn Circle. She feels the damage was done by a trash truck.
- Cars are being parked the wrong direction on Avenue H and Bella Villa. The police will begin writing tickets.

NEW BUSINESS–

- Request for bid was sent to 5 contractors for the 2018 lawn care for the City parks and City Hall. Only LawnSTL and Terry's Landscaping responded.

Motion to enter in a 1 year contract with LawnSTL:

Motion: Alderwoman Sikorski

Second: Alderman Franklin

All in Favor: 5

Opposed: 0

Motion Passed

UNFINISHED BUSINESS–

- Lee Zell with NLC Service Line Warranty Program was in attendance in case any of the Aldermen had questions before voting on the resolution approving the Mayor to enter into an agreement on behalf of the City of Bella Villa with Service Line Warranties of America. There were no questions.

Motion for first reading of Resolution 2018-01:

Motion: Alderwoman Yates

Second: Alderman Grevas

Motion to read title only of Resolution 2018-01:

Motion: Alderman Franklin

Second: Alderwoman Sikorski

All in Favor: 5

Opposed: 0

Motion Passed

- The new Cease & Desist Order will be used when residents have not applied for construction, inspection or occupancy permits. Commissioner Franklin will complete the Cease & Desist Order. The Officer on duty will post on the resident’s door.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Alderwoman Yates will not be running for Alderwoman in Ward 2. At this time, no one has filed for that seat. The Mayor thanked Alderwoman Yates for her many years of service to the City.

Motion to go into Closed Session

Motion: Alderwoman Sikorski

Second: Alderman Robinson

All in favor: 5

Opposed: 0

Motion Passed

Motion to Adjourn

Motion: Alderman Franklin

Second: Alderwoman Sikorski

All in favor: 5

Opposed: 0

Motion Passed

Meeting Adjourned 8:23 p.m.

Mayor Puleo_____

DATE AND TIME

City Clerk Van Zale_____