

CITY OF BEL-RIDGE
BOARD OF ALDERMAN MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2024
6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER: The City of Bel-Ridge Board of Aldermen meeting was called to order by Mayor Willie Fair on Tuesday, April 9, 2024.

Roll Call Board of Alderman Present

Board of Aldermen Absent

Alderwoman Davis

Alderman Watts

Alderman Brock

Alderman Tope

Alderman Whitaker

Alderman Robinson

Mayor Fair

Following roll call, the City Clerk reported a quorum was present.

PUBLIC HEARING

None

Motion to amend the agenda to allow Chief Sanders to present first made by Alderman Robinson and seconded by Alderwoman Davis, an all in-favor vote received.

Police Department – Chief Sanders makes report for March 1, 2024 – April 1, 2024: 1828 calls for service; 57/141 police reports; 15 accident reports; 91/313 citations and 324 business checks.

Normandy has an officer that specifically works with the DEA. He can bring DEA resources into our area to make the community safer. Two drug houses have been shut down. Public Works Director Herndon as well as AJ and Deborah have been very valuable to assist with information with us. We are cleaning up this community. Discussion with questions and answers held.

Resident Marilyn and her son states the unprofessional behavior and actions of the Normandy Police Department when responding to her home. Specific details stated by the homeowner. Chief Sanders reads the dispatcher notes received for this call. Chief then reads the report made on this incident. Chief further states Mayor Fair called her at her home and stated the man is now at his house. Officers returned to the Mayor's house. Officers have been instructed on proper procedures. Conflict arises involving differences of opinions of actions that were taken regarding the incident.

Motion to approve the agenda for April 9, 2024, made by Alderman Watts and seconded by Alderman Brock, an all-in favor vote received.

Motion to approve the February 6, 2024 Regular Session minutes by Alderman Watts and seconded by Alderman Brock, an all-in favor vote received.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

None

CONSENT AGENDA

March 2024 Disbursements – Motion to approve March 2024 disbursements made by Alderman Watts and seconded by Alderwoman Davis, an all-in favor vote received.

CITY CLERK REPORTS

Business License for 8909 – 8911 Natural Bridge -- Eclipse – Jamal White requests a business license to open Eclipse as a restaurant/lounge. Discussion held. Motion to approve business license made by Alderman Watts and seconded by Alderwoman Davis, an all in-favor vote received.

Rental of City Hall – Termination -- City Clerk relays the problems associated with the rental of city hall for events. Discussion held. Motion to terminate city hall rental made by Alderman Watts and seconded by Alderwoman Davis, an all-in flavor vote received.

Adoption of June 19th (Juneteenth) as a paid Federal Holiday – Ordinance regarding this federal holiday to be voted on later tonight.

Renewal of Sumner One Group Contract – The City's five year contract for our copiers is now up and we need to renew. We are getting a smaller copier as well as a reduction in price. Motion to renew contract made by Alderman Watts and seconded by Alderwoman Davis.

CITY STAFF REPORTS

City Attorney – The second bill on the agenda tonight needs to be held over to the next meeting. Two hearings were held on dangerous buildings. AJ issued an order as to both buildings. The deadlines are 30 days and May 3, 2024 to demolish, If no action taken, City will have those buildings demolished.

Municipal Court -- None

Public Works – Public Works Director states there is a “No Parking” sign not by ordinance on Maybelle. Discussion held; citizens need to know what the ordinance is and that it will be enforced.

Director Herndon then states that resident Elvis is causing trouble on his street. Discussion held about specific incidents and solutions to this problem.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

BILLS

None

RESOLUTIONS

None

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTIONS

None

BILLS

Bill 1468 – amending Section 140.030 of the Bel-Ridge Municipal Code pertaining to paid holidays.

Motion for 1st reading of Bill 1468 by caption only amending Section 140.030 of the Bel-Ridge Municipal Code pertaining to paid holidays made by Alderman Watts and seconded by Alderwoman Davis, an all-in favor vote received. 1st reading done by City Attorney.

Motion for 2nd reading of Bill 1468 by caption only by Alderman Watts and seconded by Alderwoman Davis, an all-in favor vote received. 2nd reading done by City Attorney.

Motion to adopt Bill 1468 to become Ordinance.

ROLL CALL

Alderwoman Davis – Yes

Alderman Watts – Yes

Alderman Brock -- Yes

Alderman Tope -- Yes

Alderman Whitaker -- Yes

Alderman Robinson – Yes

Motion passed for Bill 1468 now Ordinance 2024-02.

Bill 1469 – Motion to table Bill 1469 made by Alderman Watts and seconded by Alderman Brock, an all-in favor vote received.

BOARD COMMENTS

Alderman Brock states the old police cars and sold to Chicago Motors and gone and the check was received for \$43,000.00.

Alderman Whitaker makes comments regarding the school emitting diesel fuels and cutting down trees. He would like it checked to see whether they're in the school legally. Discussion held.

ADJOURNMENT

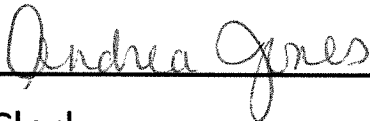
Motion for adjournment made by Alderman Robinson and seconded by Alderman Brock, an all-in favor vote received.

Meeting adjourned.

Motion to go into closed session made by Alderwoman Davis and seconded by Alderman Brock, an all-in favor vote received.

The meeting minutes were taken and transcribed by City Clerk, Andrea Jones.

April 9, 2024, Board Meeting minutes were approved by the Board this
7th day of MAY 2024.



City Clerk