

**CITY OF BEL-RIDGE  
BOARD OF ALDERMAN MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2022  
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, January 4, 2022, at 6:07 PM.

**Roll Call**    **Board of Aldermen Present**                      **Board of Aldermen Absent**

Alderman Davis	Alderman Tope
Alderman Watts <b>**arrives late</b>	
Alderwoman Whitaker	
Alderman Robinson	
Alderwoman Abernathy (by video conference)	
Mayor Fair	

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

Motion to approve the agenda for January 4, 2022, made by Alderman Whitaker and seconded by Alderwoman Abernathy, an all-in favor vote received.

Motion to approve December 7, 2021 Regular Session minutes requested by Mayor Fair. City Attorney O'Keefe requests December 7, 2021 minutes approval be postponed until next regular Board Meeting. Request approved by Mayor Fair.

**CITIZENS PARTICIPATION**

None

**PUBLIC HEARING**

None

**CONSENT AGENDA**

December 2021 Disbursements – Motion to approve December 2021 consent agenda and disbursements made by Alderman Robinson and seconded by Alderwoman Abernathy, all-in favor voted received.

## **CITY ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT**

None

## **CITY CLERK REPORTS**

**8610 Wales Road** – City Clerk states a decision needs to be made concerning the Bel-Ridge owned property located at 8610 Wales. Insurance proceeds have been paid out regarding the fire on the property. There is currently no insurance on the property. Discussion held to as to possible solutions. Discussion to continue at next Board working session.

**Temporary Code Enforcement Officer** – Discussion held as to options available for a temporary code enforcement officer. Our current commercial inspector, John Benisch is available to perform such services. City Clerk is directed to contact John Benisch for part time services as a temporary code enforcement officer.

**\*\*Alderman Watts arrives at the meeting.**

**Get Well Gift for Cary Herndon** – Public Works Director Cary Herndon is out after having knee surgery. City Clerk directed to send a card and edible arrangement to Cary.

### **Resolution to Change Names on all Bel-Ridge Accounts --**

Karen has shortened her hours and felt her name should be removed from all bank accounts to afford City Clerk a second signatory when needed. Deborah Carter's name to be added to all bank accounts and Karen Moore's name to be removed from all bank accounts.

City Attorney O'Keefe introduces Resolution 2022-A for the removal and addition of names on the City of Bel-Ridge's bank accounts.

**Resolution 2022 (A)**, A Resolution authorizing the addition of Deborah Carter-Administrative Assistant as a signatory to the City of Bel-Ridge bank accounts for the City of Bel-Ridge, Missouri and for the removal of Karen Moore from all bank accounts with the City of Bel-Ridge.

## **ROLL CALL**

**Aldерwoman Davis – Yes**  
**Alderman Watts – Yes**  
**Alderman Whitaker – Yes**  
**Aldерwoman Abernathy – Yes**  
**Alderman Robinson – Yes**

**Motion passed.**

## **Discussion of Normandy Law Enforcement Agreement --**

Loss of Revenue – Requests have been made for reports from Normandy concerning tow releases, police reports and traffic tickets and no response has been received. Discussion held. Alderman Watts suggests inviting Normandy representatives to the next working session to conclude these requests. It is further suggested that Normandy Mayor and Michelle Harris be the Normandy representative to attend the meeting.

Email from Tom Moore – City Clerk states that Bel-Ridge IT admin Jason is taking care of the issues in this email.

Invoice for Normandy overtime due to Memo of Understanding – Discussion held. Further discussion and conclusion of this issue will be at the next working session with Normandy Mayor and Michelle Harris in attendance.

## **CITY'S STAFF REPORTS**

**Municipal Court – None**

**Public Works – None**

**Police Department –** Police Chief Hall addresses handwritten invoices and explains to the Board the Mayor has assigned Sgt Tameka Sanders to these concerns. Chief Hall gives statistics on policing for the month of December 2021. Chief Hall to meet with Attorney Keith Cheung regarding mobile ticketing issues. Both Normandy and City of Bel-Ridge IT admins need to work together to solve these glitches as Attorney Keith Cheung will not accept handwritten tickets. TJ is also working with and assisting Normandy in rectifying these issues and she has been very helpful. Chief Hall addresses the misconception of some Normandy employees regarding taking over Bel-Ridge facilities. Normandy Mayor is informed and this issue is being addressed. Discussion follows concerning current problems in Bel-Ridge.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **RESOLUTIONS**

Resolution 2022-A was addressed earlier in the meeting.

### **BILLS**

**Bill 1440** – an ordinance soliciting proposals for residential redevelopment of nine lots owned by the City of Bel-Ridge, Missouri.

City Attorney O’Keefe leads the discussion explaining the concept and criteria for this ordinance.

Motion for 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Bill 1440 by caption only approving an ordinance soliciting proposals for residential redevelopment of nine lots owned by the City of Bel-Ridge, Missouri made by Alderman Robinson and seconded by Alderwoman Abernathy, all in favor vote received. 1<sup>st</sup> reading done by City Attorney.

Motion for 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Bill 1440 by caption only by Alderman Robinson and seconded by Alderman Watts, all in favor vote received. 2<sup>nd</sup> reading done by City Attorney.

Motion to adopt Bill 1440 into Ordinance made by Alderman Robinson and seconded by Alderwoman Davis.

### **ROLL CALL**

Alderwoman Davis- Yes  
Alderman Watts- Yes  
Alderman Whitaker- Yes  
Alderman Robinson- Yes  
Alderwoman Abernathy – Yes

**Motion passed for Bill 1440, now Ordinance 2022-1.**

**BOARD COMMENTS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn made by Alderman Watts and seconded by Alderman Robinson, an all-in favor vote received.

**Meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.**

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

January 4, 2022, Board Meeting minutes were approved by the Board this 1<sup>st</sup> day of February 2022.

Andrea Jones

City Clerk