

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Bellbrook City Council Meeting

March 9, 2015

**PRESENT:** Mr. Nick Edwards  
Mr. Forrest Greenwood  
Mr. Jon Martin  
Mrs. Elaine Middlestetter  
Mrs. Dona Seger-Lawson  
Deputy Mayor Mike Schweller  
Mayor Bob Baird

This is a summary of the City Council meeting held on Monday, March 9, 2015. Mayor Baird called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and the Clerk called the roll.

After polling members of City Council, as there were no corrections or additions to the prior minutes of the **executive session and regular meeting minutes of February 23, 2015**, Mayor Baird declared the minutes approved as written.

## **SPECIAL GUESTS**

**Keith Salyers** was administered the Oath of Office by Mayor Baird, as he has been promoted from Detective to Sergeant. Chief Doherty spoke about Sgt. Salyers accomplishments over the last 17 years with the department. Council and Mayor Baird congratulated Sgt. Salyers and his Mother pinned on his new badge.

**Police Chief Doug Doherty** presented the 2014 Annual Report for the Police Department. Chief Doherty reviewed the call types and volumes from 2014. Many things have changed and been added in Chief Doherty's first year at Bellbrook such as the new bicycles for officers to patrol on and the Challenge Coins. Challenge Coins provide a morale boost for the officers and are also used as a token of thanks from the department. Chief Doherty thanked the Mayor and Council for their support and expressed how much he has enjoyed his first year in Bellbrook.

Mr. Schweller asked about Possum Run Road and if there is any specific problems of speeding and accidents. Chief Doherty and Mr. Schlagheck said the speed boards are in use on Possum Run and are monitored. Mr. Schweller also asked if residents should notify the local police if they become victims of identity theft. Chief Doherty said if residents receive any type of scam phone calls they should report those to the police department.

Mr. Edwards asked if the department will go door to door again this year. Chief Doherty said they have not decided yet, but if they do it will be in the fall. The department will be holding Town Hall sessions on specific topics such as internet safety and active shooters for residents to attend throughout the year. Mr. Greenwood asked if these could be televised. Mr. Schlagheck said they may be able to tape the sessions and televise them later.

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## PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE

Mayor Baird opened the public hearing for **Ordinance No. 2015-2**. Mr. Edwards read Ordinance No. 2015-2 amending Chapter 1042 of the Bellbrook Municipal Code, relating to increase the fees charged for tap-ins. Mr. Schlagheck said this is a moderate increase and Mayor Baird added that the rates are comparable with other cities in the area.

Being a public hearing, Mayor Baird opened up for public comments. Seeing no comments from the public the Mayor closed the public hearing and asked for a motion.

**Mr. Edwards made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-2.** Mr. Martin seconded the motion. The Clerk called the roll: Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Martin, yes; Mr. Greenwood, yes; Mrs. Middlestetter, yes; Mrs. Seger-Lawson, yes; Mr. Schweller, yes; Mayor Baird, yes. The motion was carried 7-0.

## RESOLUTIONS

Mrs. Seger-Lawson read **Resolution No. 2015-F** authorizing the City Manager to participate in a contract with the Ohio Department of Transportation Cooperative Purchasing Program for the purchase of a single axle chassis for the City of Bellbrook in its entirety.

The City is purchasing a new dump truck with a snow plow. This purchase is included in the 2015 budget. The total price for the truck is \$82,137. Mr. Schlagheck said the same truck purchased in 2011 was around \$20,000 less, the increase in price is due to the new emission standards.

**Mrs. Seger-Lawson made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2015-F.** Mr. Schweller seconded the motion. The Clerk called the roll: Mrs. Seger-Lawson, yes; Mr. Schweller, yes; Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Greenwood, yes; Mr. Martin, yes; Mrs. Middlestetter, yes; Mayor Baird, yes. The motion was carried 7-0.

Mr. Greenwood read **Resolution No. 2015-G** authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with the KE Rose Company for the purchase of truck equipment and waiving competitive bidding.

This purchase is for equipment for the new truck, including a dump bed, snow plow, hydraulics and lights for a total of \$63,475. Mr. Schlagheck said there are only two companies in the area that offer this equipment and the City has not had good experiences with the other company, therefore he is asking to waive the competitive bidding.

**Mr. Greenwood made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2015-G.** Mr. Martin seconded the motion. The Clerk called the roll: Mr. Greenwood, yes; Mr. Martin, yes; Mr. Edwards, yes; Mrs. Middlestetter, yes; Mrs. Seger-Lawson, yes; Mr. Schweller, yes; Mayor Baird, yes. The motion was carried 7-0.

Mr. Schweller read **Resolution No. 2015-H** authorizing the City Manager to amend the City of Bellbrook's deferred compensation plan administered by the ICMA Retirement Corporation to allow

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designated Roth Accounts. Mr. Schweller added that this will give employees another option for retirement at no cost to the city.

**Mr. Schweller made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2015-H.** Mrs. Seger-Lawson seconded the motion. The Clerk called the roll: Mr. Schweller, yes; Mrs. Seger-Lawson, yes; Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Greenwood, yes; Mr. Martin, yes; Mrs. Middlestetter, yes; Mayor Baird, yes. The motion was carried 7-0.

## **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

Mr. Schlagheck has received another offer regarding the Cell Tower lease. Crown Castle who currently has the lease has offered the City a lump sum payment of \$492,000 to buy out the lease. They also clarified the language in the lease, currently if another provider is added to the tower the city does not get an increase. Mr. Schlagheck has spoken to an attorney in Florida who specializes in cell tower leases. Mr. Schlagheck asked Council which direction they would like to go with this. Mr. Schweller suggested having the Finance Committee look into the options before making a decision. Council agreed this was a good idea. Mr. Schlagheck will get information together and the Finance Committee will meet.

The Sugar Maple Festival will be held April 24-26, 2015, and the Community Garage Sales will May 14-16, 2015.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Service:** No report.

**Safety:** No report.

**Finance/Audit:** No report.

**Community Affairs:** No report.

## **OPEN DISCUSSION**

**Mr. Schweller** said the he has received several very good comments regarding the police department, and thanked them for the great job they do.

## **ADJOURN**

Being no further business to come before this regular session of Bellbrook City Council, Mayor Baird declared the meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm.

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Robert L. Baird, Mayor

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Carrie C. Smith, Clerk of Council