

CITY OF BELLEVILLE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, January 3, 2022 - 7:30 pm
VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCE

The regular meeting of the City Council was held via a hybrid of in-person and virtual access through ZOOM. Those attending in-person were required to complete a Covid-19 health screening form. All persons who had not been vaccinated for Covid-19 were required to wear a mask while in City Hall.

The regular meeting of the Belleville City Council was called to order by Mayor Conley at 7:30 p.m.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. ROLL CALL

Council Member Henry	Present
Council Member Jones	Present
Council Member Bates	Present
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Not Present
Mayor Conley	Present

3. APPOINTMENTS, PRESENTATIONS & CITIZENS COMMENTS

A. Presentations

- Proclamation – Belleville High School Football Championship
 - o Proclamation honoring the Belleville High School football team for their MHSAA Division 1 Football State Championship Title was presented to Coach Jermain Crowell and Van Buren Public Schools Superintendent Pete Kudlak.

B. Council Follow Up List

- 1) Rick Rutherford provided an update on the grant to refurbish Victory Station as well as the roads in Hillside Cemetery.

C. Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items

- None.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Jones to accept the agenda as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	Council Member Henry	Aye
	Council Member Bates	Aye
	Council Member Jones	Aye
	Mayor Conley	Aye

Motion Carried.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. December 20, 2021, Regular Meeting of the City Council

MOTION: Motion by Jones, supported by Henry to approve the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held on Monday, December 20, 2021.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	Council Member Bates	Aye
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Council Member Jones	Aye
Council Member Henry	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

Motion Carried.

6. PUBLIC HEARING

- None

7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

- None

8. GENERAL BUSINESS DISCUSSION

A) Resolution # 22-001 – Change of Signatories

MOTION: Motion by Jones, supported by Henry to approve **Resolution #22-001** adding Steve Jones and Ken Voigt, and removing Tom Fielder as signatories on the city's bank accounts.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	Council Member Bates	Aye
	Council Member Jones	Aye
	Council Member Henry	Aye
	Mayor Conley	Aye

Motion Carried.

B) Discussion – Date(s) for Departmental Budget Study Session(s)

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Henry to set the date for the City Council strategic planning session on January 31, 2022, at 6 p.m., with location and facilitator to be decided.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	Council Member Bates	Aye
	Council Member Jones	Aye
	Council Member Henry	Aye
	Mayor Conley	Aye

Motion Carried.

MOTION: Motion by Jones, supported by Bates to set the dates for the departmental budget study sessions on March 15, 2022 and March 28, 2022, both at 6 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	Council Member Bates	Aye
	Council Member Jones	Aye
	Council Member Henry	Aye
	Mayor Conley	Aye

Motion Carried.

7. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND DEPARTMENTAL EXPENDITURES

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Henry to approve **Resolution #22-002** authorizing Accounts Payable and Departmental Expenditures as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	Council Member Bates	Aye
	Council Member Jones	Aye
	Council Member Henry	Aye
	Mayor Conley	Aye

Motion Carried.

8. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

- Deputy City Manager Tim McLean informed City Council that the city has a tentative bargaining agreement in place with both the GELC and the POAM.
- Reminded everyone that the DDA's strategic planning session will be held next Wednesday, January 12, 2022, at 6 p.m.

9. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

- Council Member Henry
 - No comments.
- Council Member Jones
 - Hoped everyone had a happy New Year.
- Council Member Bates
 - Hoped everyone had a happy New Year.
 - Congratulated the Belleville High School Football Team on their championship.
 - Congratulated the University of Michigan Football Team on finishing out their season.

10. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

- Hoped everyone had a happy New Year.
- Inquired as to when disposed Christmas trees will be picked up.
- Thanked Coach Crowell and Superintendent Kudlak for being present at the meeting.
- Stated that the Belleville High School Football Team will be receiving trophies for their championship, courtesy of contributions from community members.
- Noted that the robotics team challenge theme will be available on January 8th.

11. CITIZENS COMMENTS

- Rosemary Otzman

- Inquired as to whether the trophies for the Belleville High School Football Team will be for the individual players or the entire team.
- Chris Zweng
 - Inquired if the Early Childcare Center had opened today.

12. ACTION ITEMS FOR NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

- To return with thoughts on who shall facilitate the City Council strategic planning session taking place on January 28th.

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Henry to adjourn at 8:04 p.m.
No objections were noted.

Motion Carried.

Briana Hootman, City Clerk

Approved:

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