

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
CITY OF BEL-NOR
March 20, 2023**

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Bel-Nor met in public session pursuant to law at 8416 Natural Bridge Road, Bel-Nor, MO 63121 at 7:30 p.m. on March 20, 2023. The Board members present at roll call were Alderman Joseph Riebold, Alderman Terri Durand, Alderman Jan Nelson, Alderman Charlee McBride and Mayor Bill Hook. Stephanie Karr, City Attorney and Diana Krosnicki, City Clerk were also present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Following review by the Board, Alderman Riebold made a motion to approve Board Meeting Minutes for December 19, 2022, January 16, 2023, February 20, 2023 and Alderman Nelson seconded. The minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Mayor Hook said next month our new City Treasurer Lisa Kampmeinert will be here.

Lisa Kampmeinert Treasurer, submitted the Treasurer's report for February 2023. Mayor Hook read the report.

Following discussion and answering questions from the public, Alderman Nelson made a motion to approve the report for February 2023 and Alderman Durand seconded. The Treasurer's Report was approved as submitted, pending audit.

REPORT OF THE SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Officer Wilson read the report for the month of February 2023. Following discussion phone numbers were given out for residents to contact the police at non-emergency Dispatch 636-529-8210. This is a new number for the Dispatch service.

ALDERMANIC REPORTS:

Alderman Durand discussed Easter Egg Hunt, noting that is not a great community spirit builder and competes with other hunts. She recommended that we do July 4th parade instead, on the Saturday before July 4th; July 1, 2023.

Alderman Durand mentioned IWA State Women's basketball and Mayor Hook said could do Proclamation at next month's meeting.

Alderman Riebold said our contractor is finishing up tree removal and trimming. Arbor Day will be observed on April 26, 2023 at St. Vincent's Park, all municipalities attend 9 a.m. to noon, the students participating will identify trees, do tree climbing and have lunch around 11:30 a.m. Alderman Riebold also mentioned contractors for the new restaurant.

Alderman Nelson reported the Police Department has acquired a new vehicle, 2017 Ford Taurus, Black and unmarked. The 2013 Dodge Charger has a history of high auto repairs and will be put up for sale. New doors for the evidence room and police station are required for accreditation process; the evidence room will be drywalled end of March.

Alderman Nelson said regarding the playground, we are waiting on planning grant, we took suggestions and accommodate age 5-12, making an updated design plan. There will be a public hearing in April.

Alderman Nelson said after Above and Below completes their work, we'll start sidewalks Delavan.

Alderman McBride said reminders out in April residential rental inspections; March for those due in May. Annual inspections are required.

Alderman McBride said 16 houses require inspections, 85 rental and one short term on Natural Bridge, changed specifically on Natural Bridge, 45 vacant, 2023 10 homes being removed as they are rented or owner occupied, 15 vacant over 2 years will be notified 2 year safety check inspections end of March, beginning of April.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

PRESENTATION:

Violet Taylor said thank you for allowing me to speak at this meeting. I am candidate for Normandy School Board, last election I won 749 votes and came in 3rd place and I still desire to serve on Normandy School Board.

Violet Taylor said we are all concerned with children and the many of things need to be fixed in the community – she stated her commitment to do everything in my power to change trajectory where our children are going. She wishes to involve families and communities and see Normandy students excel in life itself. Thank you so much.

Mayor and Board thanked Violet.

Mayor Hook said he posted on Next Door that Doug Seeley at 24:1 is hiring people age 18-24 years to learn skills relating to urban forestry.

Mayor Hook mentioned at corner of Page and Ferguson a new grocery store opening; Fields Foods, 5 p.m. Also UMSL South Campus redevelopment input community-24:1 presentation see on website, electronics recycling UMSL parking lot.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Hal Procter mentioned sewer at corner Clearview at Knollwood sewer covered and Alderman McBride said she would review vacant lot, MSD sewer line middle of property.

Aaron Turner asked about not being allowed to stack firewood and board answered 6" off ground.

Aaron Turner mentioned not safe Ted Jones trail that goes into Ferguson, tunnel not safe, homeless men sleep there and Mayor Hook said to call Trailnet., Great Rivers Greenway.

Mayor and Board answered there will be a city wide garage sale 3rd Saturday in June, residents can call Diana Krosnicki and sign up.

Aaron asked about Bel-Nor School data and Alderman McBride suggested contact the school.

Mayor Hook mentioned the District has a new school superintendent who has presented at 24:1 meetings, also a new principal, Duane West, at Bel-Nor school.

Alderman McBride answered Kim Whitehorn that Andover vacant property she spoke with landlord, he will contact when ready for inspection, no one can move in until inspection and occupancy.

Alderman Nelson answered Hazel Mallory that regarding the playground; residents asked for changes and all equipment will be safety rated.

Stephanie Karr, City Attorney explained we have liability insurance and playground falls under it. Our premiums may go up, but don't need additional.

Alderman Nelson made a motion to adjourn to adjourn and Alderman McBride seconded. Motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 8:11p.m.

Minutes prepared by Diana Krosnicki, City Clerk.

Meeting Minutes Approved by Board of Alderman on _____.

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Meeting Minutes Approved by Mayor on _____.

Mayor