

**BELLEFONTAINE CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2025
7:30 pm**

CALL TO ORDER: Zeb Wagner
PLEDGE & INVOCATION:
ROLL CALL: Reser *First Chair*
Springs
Aler
Baker
Davis - Absent
Fitzpatrick
James *Minister*

Motion to excuse the absence of Mr. Davis moved by Springs, seconded by Reser V Ayes

SUSPENSION READING OF MINUTES: Moved by Springs, seconded by James V Ayes
CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONS: none

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS:

Mayor - United Way has kicked off this week. Heather asks that Council vote on the employee pumpkins for United Way in the back of Council Chambers.
Remodeling in the building includes painting in the hallway, new chairs and tables to update and freshen up the building.
Ordinance on the agenda for a new fire truck. Last year the new one was ordered and was is 3.5 years out. One has been found that could be here sooner in November or December this year.
Asks for 1st and final this evening.

S/SD- Not present

Law - Ordinance 25-74 for 1st reading this evening should be Rules instead of Utilities. Under advice of the City Engineer, based on Ohio EPA guidance, we are amending provisions as it relates to management of storm water and are adopting additional standards. Because it is EPA related we need to have those standards in place as soon as possible. Asks Council for 1st and final this evening.

Auditor- No report

Police Chief - Last Friday we moved 8 candidates through the physical agility process. Soon we will schedule interviews for these candidates.

Fire Chief – All 3 new hire candidates have moved through the background checks. Still waiting for physical results. No official offers have been made as of yet.
Appreciates Council consideration on Ordinance 25-73. Just last week we responded to an alarm at a church and the truck died as we pulled onto the apron. This has happened twice since the \$5000.00 fix.

Engineer- The city is under storm water permits for the EPA to manage our storm water collection system. They require regulatory ordinances for erosion control, post construction, storm water quality and storm water management plans. They usually recommend that you do 3 separate ordinances and 3 chapters but they have allowed us to combine into one and make it a comprehensive manual that includes all of their recommended ordinances. Would appreciate 1st and final on this ordinance.
All paving is done on the resurfacing project and crews are doing curb ramps. Next week will be stripping.

Utilities- Not present
Parks & Rec- Not present
Economic Dev- Not present
Downtown Dir- Not present

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Finance – Explained ordinances on the agenda. Finance will be asking for an Executive Session before adjournment that will include Council as a whole.
Rules - Explained ordinance on the agenda.

Safety - No report
Utilities - No report
Streets - Explained ordinance on the agenda.
Sidewalks, Curbs & Parks -No report
Audit – No report

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS:

1. ORDINANCES FOR 1ST READING

25-73 A. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR AND/OR FIRE CHIEF TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH HERITAGE FIRE EQUIPMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A SUTPHEN CUSTOM PUMPER AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **FINANCE**

3RR- Moved by Springs, seconded by Reser V Ayes
 Passage- Moved by Springs, seconded by Aler V Ayes
 Adoption- Moved by Springs, seconded by Aler

25-74 B. AN ORDINANCE⁴ AMENDING AND RESTATING CHAPTER 927 STORM WATER DRAINAGE SYSTEM OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **RULES**

3RR- Moved by James, seconded by Baker V Ayes
 Passage- Moved by James, seconded by Springs V Ayes
 Adoption- Moved by James, seconded by Springs V Ayes

2. ORDINANCES FOR 2ND READING

25-68 A. AN ORDINANCE MAKING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND AMENDING THE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE FOR PURPOSES OF ENGINEERING, REVOLVING LOAN AND INSURANCE CLAIMS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **FINANCE**

3RR- Moved by Springs, seconded by Baker V Ayes
 Passage-
 Adoption-

25-71 B. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN SECTION 351.05 MANNER OF ANGLE PARKING OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **STREETS**

3RR- Moved by Aler, seconded by Reser V Ayes
 Passage-
 Adoption-

3. ORDINANCES FOR 3RD READING

25-67 A. AN ORDINANCE MAKING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND AMENDING THE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE FOR PURPOSES OF AUDITOR, CITY HALL, TAX, WATER AND WASTEWATER DEPARTMENTS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **FINANCE**

Adoption- Moved by Springs, seconded by Baker V Ayes

Motion to move into Executive Session to discuss the purchase and/or sale of city owned real estate to include President Wagner, all present Council members, Mayor Crissman, Law Director Stolly, Auditor Brentlinger and Clerk, moved by Springs, seconded by Aler
V Ayes

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 7:45 pm

Motion to move out of Executive Session at 8:05 pm with no action taken moved by Springs, seconded by James V Ayes

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CLERK: none

COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL: Mr. Reser thanks the police and fire for coming to the trick or treat event at BCS.

ADJOURNMENT – 8:07 moved by Aler, seconded by Fitzpatrick

Bonnie Hosier, Clerk of Council

Zeb Wagner, President of Council