

# **Bellechester City Council Meeting Minutes**

## **May 18, 2022 @ 6:00PM**

Regular City Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Jody Gordon at 5:00 p.m.

Pledge to the flag.

Roll call was taken: The council in attendance: Mayor Jody Gordon, Council people Rich Majerus, Kyle Blattner, as well as City Clerk Lisa Redepenning and Treasurer Kyle McKeown were present. Jered Buxengard was present via phone. Also present was Jeremy Mancelmann.

Minutes of April, 2022 regular meeting were reviewed and motion was made by Rich Majerus with a second by Kyle Blattner to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Bills were reviewed and a motion by Rich Majerus with a second by Mark Gerken to approve and pay the bills as presented. Motion carried.

### **Old Business:**

- Sewer Project Update – design committee designated to review water meter, data collection, and billing software options. Council designated Rich Majerus, et al as well as possibly rotating additional member to be on design committee.

### **New business:**

- J. Mancelmann – Allowance of trailer to be moved to another current city lot. Contract for deed may be occurring on a property and he inquired about moving his current trailer onto this property. Current ordinance was reviewed and discussed. Council declined the possibility of moving a trailer onto a city lot due to current ordinances.
- Liquor License – Bellechester Tavern & Legion. Motion was made by Kyle Blattner with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jered Buxengard to approve the liquor licenses for both Bellechester Tavern and American Legion. Motion carried.
- Building Permit – Bellechester Tavern - build new walk-in cooler. Building a walk in cooler behind the east end of the building, adding to the building. Plans were passed out for review. Motion was made by Jered Buxengard with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark Gerken to approve the building permit as presented. Motion carried.
- Building Permit – Sump Pump, basket interior drain tile – 309 1<sup>st</sup> Street. Motion was made by Rich Majerus with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kyle Blattner to approve the building. Motion carried.
- Dance permit – Bellechester Tavern - 7/1 event – Motion was made by Kyle Blattner with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rich Majerus to approve the dance permit. Motion carried.
- Removal of excess vehicles on residential property complaints – Vehicle removal was discussed. Council discussed a possible letter with copy of ordinance to all city residents in the utility billing sent in June. Tabled until next month.
- Clean up of K. Poncelet property complaint – see above.
- Parking semis near county road intersection obstructing view complaints - Poncelet Metals.

- Approve opening of account for Interim financing – Motion was by Jered Buxengard with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rich Majerus to approve the opening of checking account that is required for the interim financing funds. Motion carried.
- Approve Owner-Engineer Agreement for Sewer Project – Motion was made by Rich Majerus with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kyle Blattner to approve the owner-engineer agreement as presented for the sewer project. Motion carried.
- Finances for Fire and Ambulance Associations – discuss. New pumper truck purchase is in the future for fire association. Ambulance association is in need of new cots. \$4000 for fire and \$1000 for ambulance was recommended. Motion was made by Rich Majerus with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kyle Blattner to approve these donation to both of these agencies to assist in these purchases. Motion carried.

**Engineer Report** – Meter discussion will need to be done during the design mode of the project.

**Clerk Report** – Election training – attended training on 5/10 in Goodhue County. FYI – filing period for council and mayor seats is 8/2 – 8/16. Interim Loan Application – We have been approved for this loan. Solid Waste Official William Root From Goodhue County – contacted us offering himself to attend a meeting if you wish to discuss recycling, waste reduction and reuse efforts in Goodhue County.

**Treasurer Report** – mostly current.

**Water/Wastewater/Facility Report** – flushing hydrants on Friday morning.

**Mayor Concerns:** Fence issue with resident discussed.

**Council Concerns:** Branch removal near roadway was discussed.

## **Adjourn**

Motion was made by Rich Majerus with a second by Kyle Blattner to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:08 pm. Next meeting is June 15th @ 6:00 p.m. at the Bellechester Community Center.

Submitted by Lisa Redepenning – City Clerk

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