

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
Bellbrook City Council Work Session Meeting  
January 24, 2022

**CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER:**

Mayor Schweller called the Regular Meeting of the Bellbrook City Council to order at 6:00pm

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Mayor Schweller led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT**

Mrs. Katherine Cyphers

Mr. Forrest Greenwood

Mr. Brady Harding

Mrs. Elaine Middlestetter

Mayor Mike Schweller

**ABSENT:** Mr. Ernie Havens

Motion to excuse the absence of Ernie Havens.

Motion made by Mrs. Middlestetter, Seconded by Mr. Harding.

Voting Yea: Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Harding, Mrs. Middlestetter, Mrs. Cyphers, Mayor Schweller

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Rob Schommer, City Manager

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mayor Schweller explained there are four standing committees of Council: Safety, Service, Community Affairs and Finance/Audit. He added the goals are commonly developed around what the standing committees can assist in accomplishing. There are additional external organizations and committees members of council desire to represent.

Mayor Schweller led the discussion regarding members interest in serving on the various committees and through the discussion made the following assignments:

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Community Affairs:

Elaine Middlestetter, Chair  
Ernie Havens  
Brady Harding

Safety:

Forrest Greenwood, Chair  
Katherine Cyphers  
Elaine Middlestetter

Finance/Audit:

Katherine Cyphers, Chair  
Ernie Havens  
Mike Schweller

Service:

Forrest Greenwood, Chair  
Brady Harding  
Mike Schweller

Chamber of Commerce:

Elaine Middlestetter – Delegate  
Forrest Greenwood – Alternate

Greene County Regional Planning Commission:

Ernie Havens – Delegate  
Forrest Greenwood – Alternate

Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission:

Forrest Greenwood – Delegate  
Katherine Cyphers – Alternate

Historical Museum Board of Trustees:

Elaine Middlestetter – Delegate  
Brady Harding – Alternate

Fire Fighters Dependency Fund:

Forrest Greenwood – Delegate  
Mike Schweller – Alternate

BZA/PRC:

Ernie Havens – Delegate  
Katherine Cyphers – Alternate

Planning Board:

Brady Harding – Delegate  
Mike Schweller – Alternate

VRB:

Forrest Greenwood – Delegate  
Ernie Havens – Alternate

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Board of Health Community Representative:

Bill Beeman

Mayor Schweller discussed the selection of Deputy Mayor and noted there is some language in existing Council Rules indicating a secret ballot. Those rules go against the Charter language and are not appropriate, and the voting of the Deputy Mayor will be done in an open meeting February 14<sup>th</sup>.

**COMMENTS:**

Mr. Greenwood inquired about setting meeting dates and times for Boards and Commissions. Mayor Schweller noted the chair person of each board will set that and the City keeps track of agendas and minutes for all the meetings.

Mayor Schweller discussed the previous process for council member appointment noting there was a series of set questions each candidate was asked, then each council member could ask a supplemental question. All members were favorable to the same process for the current appointment process.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Hearing no further business coming before the Council, Mayor Schweller declared the meeting adjourned at 6:28pm