

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Bellbrook City Council Meeting

February 9, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Schweller called the Regular Meeting of the Bellbrook City Council to order at 7:00pm

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Schweller led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mrs. Katherine Cyphers

Mr. Forrest Greenwood

Mr. Ernie Havens

Deputy Mayor T.J. Hoke

Mrs. Kathleen Wright

Mayor Mike Schweller

ABSENT

Mr. Logan Ashley

Motion to excuse Mr. Ashley

Motion made by Mr. Greenwood, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hoke.

Voting Yea: Mrs. Cyphers, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Havens, Deputy Mayor Hoke, Mrs. Wright, Mayor Schweller

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A. Approval of the January 27, 2026 Regular Meeting minutes.

5. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS / SPECIAL GUEST AND PRESENTATIONS

6. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Jenn LeClaire spoke about two community events.

7. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Schommer said we are close to launching our new online request portal which will include requests for public records.

Service Department repaired a significant water main break on Portage Path today.

Staff has biometric screening on February 10 which helps keep health insurance costs down.

Staff will be receiving photo identification.

We have received applications for public safety positions.

8. PUBLIC HEARING OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

9. OLD BUSINESS

10. NEW BUSINESS

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11. Community Affairs / Administration

- A. Resolution 2026-R-05 APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE BELLBROOK SUGARCREEK SCHOOLS DISTRICT FOR PROVIDING A FULL TIME SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER
Mr. Schommer read the title and provided a synopsis of the Resolution
Motion made by Mr. Havens, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hoke.
Voting Yea: Mrs. Cyphers, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Havens, Deputy Mayor Hoke, Mrs. Wright
- B. Discussion about scope, purpose, and composition of non-chartered Boards and Commissions
Mr. Havens – Community Affairs Committee met last week and had an open discussion about restructuring some of the Boards. VRB was discussed at length such as changing the scope and renaming.

12. Finance

No Update

13. Public Safety

- A. Discussion on safety of Low-speed Micromobility Devices - A detailed update will be given when Mr. Ashley returns.
- B. Ohio Capital budget Project Request for Fire Station Facility – Mr. Hoke wants to collect numbers and get a rough estimate for a new fire station and use State funding.
Deputy Mayor Hoke said Police & Fire presented to the Lions Club last week for possible funding.

14. Public Service

Mr. Greenwood said there's been some snow.

15. CITY OFFICIAL COMMENTS

Mrs. Cyphers – None

Mr. Greenwood – Went to an MVRPC meeting. They have been studying water quality and identifying businesses who have certain needs.

Mr. Havens – None

Ms. Wright – None

Deputy Mayor Hoke – Congratulated the middle school wrestling team on their undefeated season.

They received a police escort to town from their tournament.

Mayor Schweller- Thanked cameraman, attendees and viewers.

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION

17. ADJOURNMENT

7:31pm

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Michael Schweller, Mayor

Robert Schommer, Clerk of Council