

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Bellbrook City Council Meeting

January 27, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Deputy Mayor Havens led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Motion to excuse Mayor Schweller

Motion made by Mr. Hoke, Seconded by Mr. Ashley.

Voting Yea: Mr. Ashley, Mrs. Cyphers, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Harding, Mr. Havens, Mr. Hoke

PRESENT

Mr. Logan Ashley

Mrs. Katherine Cyphers

Mr. Forrest Greenwood

Mr. Brady Harding

Mr. Ernie Havens

Mr. T.J. Hoke

ABSENT

Mayor Mike Schweller

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

None

5. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SPECIAL GUEST

None

6. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

7. CITIZENS REGISTERED TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

8. PUBLIC HEARING OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

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9. INTRODUCTIONS OF ORDINANCES

- A. Ordinance 2025-O-1 AMENDING ORDINANCE 2024-O-14 BY MAKING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR EXPENSES OF THE CITY OF BELLBROOK FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (Cyphers)

Mrs. Cyphers read the Ordinance.

Mr. Schommer explained the need for a supplemental appropriation to allow for the acceptance and use of a donation as well as an increase in the cost for delivery of the new medic unit.

Motion to pass Ordinance 2025-O-01 at Introduction.

Motion made by Mrs. Cyphers, Seconded by Mr. Hoke.

Voting Yea: Mr. Ashley, Mrs. Cyphers, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Harding, Mr. Havens, Mr. Hoke

10. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

- A. Resolution 2025-R-03 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS TO COVER THE COSTS OF VARIOUS GOODS AND SERVICES ORDERED FOR CITY OPERATIONS AND TO MAKE PAYMENT ON INVOICES WITH A THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATE (Hoke)

Mr. Hoke read the Resolution

Mr. Schommer explained the Resolution was to allow for payment of the final invoice for the new medic where the invoice came after the service was provided. He noted the Resolution authorizes the payment from appropriated funds and follows established procedures with transparency of timelines and available funds.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2025-R-03

Motion made by Mr. Hoke, Seconded by Mrs. Cyphers.

Voting Yea: Mr. Ashley, Mrs. Cyphers, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Harding, Mr. Havens, Mr. Hoke

11. OLD BUSINESS

None

12. NEW BUSINESS

None

13. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr Schommer provided updates on a variety of topics to include:

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- Finalizing Ordinance and presentation for the new Community Reinvestment Area for economic development to present at the next meeting
- Ne noted the 2024 Audit is beginning and there will be a series of additions to the Uniform Guidance Policies to update financial practices to new governmental regulations and rules
- Staff has been processing personnel items including new hires for police and advertising hires for fire

14. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Safety Committee

Mr. Hoke updated the new medic will be delivered in the next week and a new police officer will be sworn in at an upcoming meeting.

B. Service Committee

Mr. Greenwood noted to be on the lookout for pot holes during this time of year and please report them as they are seen.

C. Finance/Audit Committee

Mrs. Cyphers stated there is no update

D. Community Affairs Committee

Mr. Havens noted there are still openings for various City Boards and Commissions and encourages residents who want to participate to consider volunteering.

15. CITY OFFICIAL COMMENTS

Mr. Hoke reminded there will be a community leaders meeting at Bellbrook Middle School on February 3 at 5:00pm

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

17. ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no additional business coming before Council Deputy Mayor Havens adjourned the meeting at 7:17pm

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Ernie Havens, Deputy Mayor

Robert Schommer, Clerk of Council