



CITY OF BELLE ISLE, FL CITY COUNCIL MEETING -

Tuesday, March 5, 2024 * 6:30 PM
MINUTES

Present was:

District 4 Commissioner – Jason Carson
District 5 Commissioner – Beth Lowell
District 6 Commissioner – Stan Smith
District 7 Commissioner – Jim Partin

Absent was:

Mayor - Nicholas Fouraker
District 1 - OPEN
District 2 - OPEN
District 3 - OPEN

1. Call to Order and Confirmation of Quorum

Vice Mayor Lowell called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm, and the Clerk confirmed quorum.

Also present were City Manager Rick Rudometkin, Attorney Chumley, Chief Grimm, Public Works Director Phil Price, and City Clerk Yolanda Quiceno.

2. Invocation and Pledge to Flag

Commissioner Carson gave the invocation and led the Pledge to the Flag.

3. Public Comments

Vice Mayor Lowell opened for Public Comments.

- Vicki Littell residing at 2617 Homewood spoke on behalf of the Hearts Against Huger 5k sponsorship and asked for Council consideration in corporate sponsorship for the event. She provided the application for the record. There being no further comments, Vice Mayor Lowell closed public comments.

4. Consent Items

- a. Approval of Centennial Seal
- b. Approval of Commemorative Artwork
- c. Proclamation Pioneer Days: The Wheels of Time, February 2024
- d. Approval of the City Council Workshop minutes – February 20, 2024
- e. Approval to Accept the JAG/FDLE Grant for Traffic Safety Project
- f. Approval of Canon Lease Agreement Renewal for Admin and PD

Vice Mayor Lowell called for a motion to approve Consent Items.

Comm Smith moved to approve the consent items as presented.

Comm Carson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

5. Unfinished Business – No report.

6. New Business

- a. First Reading and Consideration Ordinance 24-01 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELLE ISLE, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENT FOR THE TREE BOARD MEMBERS; SEVERABILITY; CONFLICTS AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

Vice Mayor Lowell read Ordinance 24-01 by Title.

Comm Smith moved to advance Ordinance 24-01 for Second Reading and Adoption at the next Council meeting.

Comm Carson seconded the motion which passed unanimously 4:0.

- b. Discussion to Change the Mar 19, Aug 20, Nov 5 Council Meeting Dates

The staff requested rescheduling Council meetings (March 19, August 20 and Nov 5) to allow the Supervisor of Elections Office to utilize City Hall as a polling place for its residents. After Council discussion,

Comm Carson moved to reschedule the March 19 City Council meeting to March 27, 2024, at 6:30 pm.
Comm Smith seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 4:0.

Comm Partin moved to reschedule the August 20 City Council meeting to August 22, 2024, at 6:30 pm.
Comm Smith seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 4:0.

Comm Smith moved to reschedule the November 5 City Council meeting to November 6, 2024, at 6:30 pm.
Comm Partin seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 4:0.

9. **Attorney's Report** – No report.

10. **City Manager's Report**

City Manager Rudometkin gave a brief update on upcoming events and projects,

- Budget Hearing preparation is moving forward.
- Centennial event planning is on-going.
- Two applications for the open Council seats will be on the next agenda.
- Reviewing options for a municipal building.
- On April 2nd Comm Smith and Vice Mayor Lowell will be sworn-in for their newly appointed term.

a. Chief's Report

Chief Grimm gave a STAT report on citations issued in a two-week period totaling 302 with 1,875 Red Light Camera citations. Four officers have graduated classes in new techniques and 4-LPRs have been installed on message boards.

b. Public Works Report

Phil Price gave a brief update on sidewalk repair active projects; Lake Conway Shore has been completed. The staff continues to provide street sweeping throughout the City.

11. **Mayor's Report** – No report.

12. **Items from Council**

Comm Smith spoke on Code issues on McCoy Road and asked if it can be revisited. Comm Smith announced the Hot Rod for Heros on March 16th at the Oviedo Mall in honor or raising funds for honor flights for veterans. Vice Mayor Lowell asked PW for a list of sidewalks that are to be paved in the City.

13. **Adjournment**

With no further business, Vice Mayor Lowell called for a motion to adjourn.
The motion passed unanimously at 7:00 pm.