**THE CITY OF BELLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2018 AT 6:30 P.M. AT THE BELLE CITY HALL. OFFICALS PRESENT WERE MAYOR JOSH SEAVER, ALDERWOMEN JEANETTE STRUEMPH, COURTNEY ABEL, ALDERMEN KEN STANFIELD, TONY GIECK, AND CITY CLERK FRANKIE HICKS.**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Josh Seaver. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**AGENDA:**

Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph made a motion to accept the agenda with the additions. The motion was seconded by Alderman Ken Stanfield, all in favor.

**MINUTES:**

Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph made a motion to accept the minutes from July 19, 2018 Regular & Closed session as written. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Courtney Abel. Voting went as follows: Struemph aye, Abel aye, Stanfield aye, and Gieck abstain.

**TREASURER’S CASH SUMMARY & BILLS TO BE PAID:**

Alderman Tony Gieck made a motion to accept both the cash summary and bills to be paid as written. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph, all in favor.

**Balance budget –** Alderwoman Courtney Abel made a motion to transfer $724.27 from the General Fund to the last fiscal year Park Fund, bringing the balance to zero, and to transfer $46,944.10 from the General Fund to the last fiscal year Police Fund bringing the balance to zero and to transfer $125,000 from General Fund to the Money Market account. Motion dies for lack of a second.

**VISITORS:**

**Steve Vogt –** update regarding MRPC.

**Joey Butler –** Mr. Butler was present to express concern with the damage being done at the park.

**Arlan Ellis –** Mr. Ellis was present requesting gravel to be placed on Pleasant Ave.

**Brandon Thompson –** Mr. Thompson was present to ask the Council to please take time and think about it before they make a decision to contract with Maries County for Police Services.

**Debra Turnbough –** Mrs. Turnbough addressed the visitors thanking them for coming in support of Marshal Turnbough.

There were several visitors present but did not wish to talk at this time. They had just had concerns with the proposal from Maries County Sheriff for Police Services.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Surveying of Twelfth Street –** City Clerk Frankie Hicks stated that she had spoken with Tom Kuster asking for an estimate to survey, the estimated price quoted was $500. Alderman Tony Gieck made a motion to have the survey done. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph, all in favor.

**Buehrlen Property –** After some discussion Alderman Tony Gieck made a motion to follow the Ordinance and pursue further. The motion was seconded by Alderman Ken Stanfield, all in favor.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

**Mayor Josh Seaver -**

**Mr. Greg Harris –** Mr. Harris was present to discuss the trail with the city. After some discussion it was asked if the William A. Curr Foundation would cover the expenses to go ahead with the trail if they opted to no use the grant.

**Demolition of Cattle Barn –** A letter was presented to the Council from Dawn Hicks informing the Council that the livestock committee is going to be tearing down the existing barn and build a new barn.

**Community Garden –** Mayor Seaver stated that he had been contacted by the FFA Advisor asking if the city had any land that they could use to place the community garden which they have received a grant for.

**Date for Special Meeting –** Mayor Seaver informed the Council that a special meeting was scheduled for Monday, September 17, 2018 at 1 p.m. at the Belle City Hall. The special meeting is to open bids for the sidewalk project.

**School Resource Officer –** Dr. Patrick Call, Board Member Amy Bledsoe, and Board Member Garret Bialczyk were present to answer any questions anyone may have. Dr. Call stated that the school is willing to pay the officers salary for 1 year and that the city would be responsible for the benefit package.

**Public Works Darryl Jenkins & Nathan Abel –**

**Purchase of Pea Gravel –** 200 tons are needed at $18.50 per ton. Alderman Ken Stanfield made a motion to allow the purchase of the pea gravel. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph, all in favor.

**Purchase of pumps and electric motors –** purchase of new 50 hp electric motor for irrigation pump is $4010, to rebuild a pump $3900, and are getting an estimate to repair an additional 50 hp electric motor.

**Marshal Joe Turnbough –**

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Denny Cantriels Resignation –** Mr. Cantriel’s resignation letter was read aloud by Mayor Josh Seaver. Alderman Tony Gieck made a motion to accept his resignation. The motion was seconded by Alderman Ken Stanfield, all in favor.

**Propane Bids –** 3 bids were received. Three Rivers Propane $1.13 per gallon, Ferrellgas Bobtail delivery $1.338 per gallon and Employee Delivery $1.438, Capital Energy $1.449 per gallon. Alderman Tony Gieck made a motion to accept the bid from Three Rivers Propane in the amount of $1.13 per gallon. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph, all in favor.

**Asphalt Bids –** 2 bids were received. Pierce Asphalt in the amount of $91,130 second bid received is from Capital Paving in the amount of $$105,360.17. Alderman Tony Gieck made a motion to accept the bid from Pierce Asphalt but not do the community center parking lot and to add Green Street. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph, all in favor.

**Set Public Hearing for Tax Rates –** Alderman Tony Gieck made a motion to schedule the hearing for September 4, 2018 at 1 p.m. The motion was seconded by Alderman Ken Stanfield, all in favor.

**Bid to update Code Book –** An estimate was presented to the Council in the amount of $1105 and $1265, plus shipping and handling. Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph made a motion to accept the estimate and have the update done. The motion was seconded by Alderman Tony Gieck, all in favor.

**Resolution 2018-08-14 –** Approving and adopting a policy on the procurement of domestic products. Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph made a motion to accept the resolution as written. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Courtney Abel, all in favor.

**LANEG Contract –** Alderman Tony Gieck made a motion to renew the contact with LANEG in the amount of $2000. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph, all in favor.

**Proposal from Maries County Sheriff for Police Services –** Alderman Tony Gieck made a motion to postpone for further discussion. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph. Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph requested to retract her motion due to lake of understanding. Motion dies for lack of a second.

**Additional Officers –** Alderman Ken Stanfield made a motion to hire two additional police officers. The motion was seconded by Alderman Tony Gieck, all in favor.

**ADJOURN:**

Alderman Tony Gieck made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph, all in favor. Meeting adjourned.

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Josh Seaver, Mayor

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Frankie Hicks, City Clerk