**THE CITY OF BELLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN MET IN REGULAR SESSON ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2021 AT 6:30 P.M. AT THE BELLE CITY HALL. OFFICIALS PRESENT WERE MAYOR STEVE VOGT, ALDERWOMEN JEANETTE STRUEMPH, ALDERWOMAN COURTNEY ABEL, ALDERWOMAN SUNDI JO GRAHAM, ALDERMAN KEN STANFIELD, AND CITY CLERK FRANKIE HICKS.**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Steve Vogt. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**AGENDA:**

Alderwoman Sundi Jo Graham made a motion to accept the agenda. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Courtney Abel, all in favor.

**MINUTES:**

Alderman Ken Stanfield made a motion to accept the minutes as written from January 12, 2021 Regular/Closed Session. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Sundi Jo Graham, all in favor.

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

Alderwoman Courtney Abel made a motion to accept both the cash summary and bills to be paid. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph, all in favor.

**VISITORS:**

None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**New Street Light at Tenth St. & Highway 28 –** Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph made a motion to have the light installed at the intersection costing $1711.39. The motion was seconded by Alderman Ken Stanfield, all in favor.

**Sealed bids on surplus Honda Civic –** One bid was received from Nicholas Daugherty in the amount of $150. Alderwoman Sundi Jo Graham made a motion to accept the bid from Mr. Daugherty in the amount of $150. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph, all in favor.

**New Policies –** It was the consensus of the Council to table until next month for further reviewing.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

**Mayor Steve Vogt –** information sharing.

**Public Works Tony Baretich –**

**Replace brushes at Main Lift Station –** Mr. Baretich stated that the brushes are very worn and need replaced costing approximately $550. Alderman Ken Stanfield made a motion to purchase new brushes. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph, all in favor.

**CDL with air brakes –** Alderwoman Sundi Jo Graham made a motion that all public works employees must have a CDL with air brakes, the city will pay all fees associated with obtaining the license. The motion was seconded by Alderman Ken Stanfield, all in favor.

**Marshal Joe Turnbough –**

**Lighting -** Marshal Turnbough stated to the Council that he would drive around and write down areas where more lighting is needed. Mayor Vogt asked him to prioritize the areas as well before presenting to the Council.

**Computer Issues –** It was the consensus of the Council to allow Marshall Turnbough to contact RCS regarding the computer issues.

**Heater in Patrol Car –** It was the consensus of the Council to take the car to Owen’s and have it looked at.

**Maries County Sheriffs Office Scott John –** Deputy John did not have stats with him this month but did mention that there would need to be an amendment done with the contract regarding $.50 per hour increase for each Deputy.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Proposed Ordinance #607 regarding Fire Department –** Mayor Vogt read the proposed Ordinance aloud. Alderwoman Courtney Abel made a motion to accept the first reading. The motion was seconded Alderwoman Sundi Jo Graham, all in favor.

**Tree Limb Removal –** Alderwoman Graham stated that there are still lots of limbs not picked up from the ice storm and suggested that we have additional days to be dropped off or have the city pick them up from the curb. It was the consensus of the Council to add to the agenda for next month for further discussion.

**Table open session and go into closed session –** Alderwoman Courtney Abel made a motion to table open session and go into closed session. The motion was seconded by Alderman Ken Stanfield. Roll call vote went as follows: Abel aye, Stanfield aye, Struemph aye, and Graham aye.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

The closed session meeting was called to order by Mayor Vogt.

After some discussion it was the consensus of the Council to have a closed session meeting on Thursday, February 11, 2021 at 1:30 P.m. at the City Hall building, and all city employees are required to attend.

**ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION:**

Alderman Ken Stanfield made a motion to adjourn the closed session meeting and go back into open session. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Sundi Jo Graham, all in favor.

**OPEN SESSION:**

Alderman Ken Stanfield made a motion to adjourn the regular session meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Sundi Jo Graham, all in favor. Meeting adjourned.

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Steve Vogt, Mayor

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 Frankie Hicks, City Clerk