**THE CITY OF BELLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN MET IN REGAULRS SESSION ON TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021 AT THE BELLE CITY HALL AT 6:30 P.M. OFFICALS PRESENT WERE MAYOR STEVE VOGT, ALDERWOMEN JEANETTE STRUEMPH, COURTNEY ABEL, 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 as written. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Courtney Abel, all in favor.

**MINUTES:**

Alderwoman Sundi Jo Graham made a motion to accept the minutes from February 9, 2021 Regular/Closed Session as written. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph, all in favor.

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

Franklin County Fire Extinguisher Co - $510 bill received for replacing all fire extinguishers at the Community Center. Alderwoman Sundi Jo Graham made a motion to pay the bill to Franklin County bill in the amount of $510. The motion was seconded by Alderman Ken Stanfield, all in favor.

Alderman Courtney Abel made a motion to accept the cash summary and bills to be paid. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Sundi Jo Graham, all in favor.

**Water Tower Loan –** Alderwoman Courtney Abel made a motion to pay the existing water tower loan off with the new loan for water meters. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph, all in favor.

**VISTORS:**

**Jacob Warden from Maries County Advocate –** Jacob was discussed the survey the newspaper did.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**New Policies –** Alderwoman Courtney Abel made a motion to schedule a work session meeting to review proposed policies. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph, all in favor.

**Ordinance #607 (Removing sections regarding Belle Fire)-** Mayor Vogt read the proposed ordinance aloud for its second reading. Alderwoman Courtney Abel made a motion to accept Ordinance #607 as written. The motion was seconded by Alderman Ken Stanfield. Roll call vote went as follows: Abel aye, Struemph aye, Graham aye, and Stanfield aye.

**Tree Limb Drop off Day –** It is the consensus of the Council to have one last tree limb dump days, schedule a Saturday and send ad to the newspaper.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

**Mayor Steve Vogt –** information sharing.

**Public Works Tony Baretich –** information sharing.

**Marshal Joe Turnbough –** absent.

**Maries County Sheriff’s Dept. –** information sharing.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Holidays –** Alderwoman Sundi Jo Graham made a motion to add the following paid holidays, Presidents Day, Columbus Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Lincoln’s Birthday. Motion dies for lack of a second.

**Rezoning 605 Taylor Ave –** Mrs. Kayci Doss petitioned Planning & Zoning to rezone her property located at 605 Taylor Ave from R-1 to B-1. Planning & Zoning voted in favor of the rezoning. Alderman Ken Stanfield made a motion to hold a public hearing for prior to the next regular scheduled meeting on April 13, 2021 at 6:15 P.M. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph. Voting was 3-1 with Alderwoman Sundi Jo Graham abstaining.

**Resignation of employee Dave Heflin –** Alderwoman Courtney Abel made a motion to accept Dave Heflin’s resignation. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph, all in favor.

Alderman Ken Stanfield made a motion to postpone the regular session meeting and go into closed session. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jeanette Struemph. Roll call vote went as follows: Abel aye, Struemph aye, Graham aye, and Stanfield aye.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

**Mayor Vogt called the closed session meeting to order.**

Visitors were Sheriff Chris Heitman and Deputy Scott John.

No action taken.

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

**REGULAR SESSION:**

Having no further business Alderwoman Sundi Jo Graham made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderman Ken Stanfield, all in favor. Meeting adjourned.

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Steve Vogt, Mayor

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Frankie Hicks, City Clerk