

**Special Meeting of the Board of Alderman
of the City of Belle,
at the Lonnie Feeler Memorial Building,
104 East Third Street, Belle Mo 65013 on
Thursday, August 28, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.**

A. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor James Mitchell called the meeting to order and the pledge of allegiance was recited. The meeting started at 6:30 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL: Present were Mayor James Mitchell, Alderman Steve Vogt, Alderwoman Rebecca Withouse, Alderman Seth Klein and Alderwoman Jeanette Struempf.
Also present was City Treasurer Charro Reasor

C. REVIEWING AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Change ordinance number 663 to number 665

A motion to accept changes and approve the agenda was made by Alderman Steve Vogt, seconded by Alderman Seth Klein with all in favor.

D. BILLS TO BE PAID:

A motion to approve the bills was made by Alderwoman Rebecca Withouse, seconded by Alderman Seth Klein with all in favor.

E. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Ordinance #665 Business License – Final Reading an ordinance outlining the guidelines for late business licenses was read in its entirety. It states that after five days a business will be required to pay a late fee in the amount of said license. After 30 days they will be guilty of an ordinance violation, and the business must cease operations until they are compliant. A motion to accept the second reading was made by Alderwoman Jeanette Struempf seconded by Alderman Steve Vogt with all in favor. Roll Call vote was taken as follows:

Alderwoman Rebecca Withouse-aye
Alderman Seth Klein- aye
Alderwoman Jeanette Struempf- aye
Alderman Steve Vogt- aye

2. Ordinance #664 Approve Annexation of Hinson – Perkins Property. Ordinance to annex real property into the city of Belle, 107 and 109 Eighth Street, Belle, Missouri. The first reading was passed with Alderman Steve Vogt making the motion, seconded by Alderman Seth Klein, with all in favor.

A second reading was held with Alderwoman Jeanette Struempf, seconded by Alderman Seth Klein with all in favor. A roll call was taken as follows:

Alderwoman Rebecca Withouse-aye
Alderman Seth Klein- aye
Alderwoman Jeanette Struempf- aye
Alderman Steve Vogt- aye

3. BCBA permission to use Lonnie Feeler Memorial Building during Christmas Festival as a warming station. Approval motion was made by Alderman Steve Vogt, seconded by Alderwoman Jeanette Struempf, with all in favor.
4. Marshall Pay Discussion. Discussion was held with an outline of surrounding communities sales tax with salary comparison was passed out for review. Marshal Coburn was present and presented a sample ordinance in favor of increasing the marshal pay for the upcoming election. Aldermen discussed the pros and cons of increasing the pay. A long discussion was held with a resolve to present to council with different ordinance scenarios at the next regular meeting.
5. Alvarado Bridge discussion. The Major led a discussion regarding a recent meeting with FEMA. A site inspection was held, and we are awaiting the outcome. A discussion was held on whether or to continue with FEMA funding or try to current the situation by ourselves. It was the consensus to move forward with FEMA.

F. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Setting the Tax Rate. A public hearing was held prior to the start of the special meeting with the public being allowed to speak with no one opposing the tax rate Alderwoman Rebecca Withouse making a motion to set the tax rates. Seconded by Alderman Steve Vogt, with all in favor. A roll call was taken as follows:
 - Alderwoman Rebecca Withouse-aye
 - Alderman Seth Klein- aye
 - Alderwoman Jeanette Struempf aye
 - Alderman Steve Vogt- aye
2. City Clerk position discussion. Charro Reason, city treasurer and office manager, started a discussion on making the position part time. Provided a handout of the payments over the last two weeks of the month for the past three months showing the lack of need for a full-time position and the cost savings to the city ranging from \$70,000 to nearly \$80,000 per year. Charro asks the council to consider a 90-day trial to see how the part-time position worked out. Alderwoman Jeanette Struempf made a motion to do a 90-day trial with the city clerk position, seconded by Alderman Seth Klein, with all in favor.

G. Motion to adjourn and go into closed session was made by Alderwoman Jeanette Strueph seconded by Alderman Seth Klien with all in favor at 8:14 pm.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

- Alderwoman Rebecca Withouse- aye
- Alderman Seth Klein- aye
- Alderwoman Jeanette Struempf-aye
- Alderman- Steve Vogt- aye

H. Motion to open regular session was made by Alderwoman Jeanette Struempf seconded by Alderman Steve Vogt with all in favor at 9:03 pm.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

- Alderwoman Rebecca Withouse- aye
- Alderman Seth Klein- aye
- Alderwoman Jeanette Struempf-aye
- Alderman- Steve Vogt- aye

I. Announce the hiring of Cynthia Barbarick as part time city clerk from vote in closed session.

J. Motion to adjourn regular session was made by Alderman Jeanette Struempf seconded by Alderman Steve Vogt with all in favor at 9:04 pm.

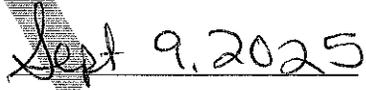
A roll call vote was taken as follows:
Alderwoman Rebecca Withouse- aye
Alderman Seth Klein- aye
Alderwoman Jeanette Struempf-aye
Alderman- Steve Vogt- aye

The City of Belle Board of Aldermen may enter Closed Session before or during this meeting, if such action is approved by a majority vote of the Board of Aldermen present, with a quorum, to discuss litigation matters as authorized by 610.021 (1) RSMo, real estate matters as authorized by 610.021 (2), or personnel matters as authorized by 610.021 (3). RSMo Chapter 610.021 (13) Individually identifiable personal records, Performance rating or records pertaining to employees or applicants for employment.

ADA: Visitors with special needs (such as audio or other physical accommodation) must notify the city as soon as possible, preferably 48 hours in advance. The city will make reasonable accommodation for all disabilities to the extent possible.



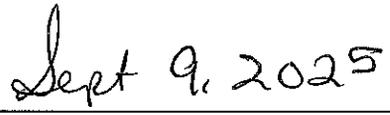
Mayor James Mitchell



Date



Charro Reasor, Treasurer



Date