# BELVIDERE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Date: July 7, 2025

Convened in the Belvidere Council Chambers, 401 Whitney Blvd, Belvidere, Illinois at 6:00 p.m.

Call to order by Mayor Clinton Morris.

(1) Roll Call: Present: J. Albertini, R. Brereton, M. Fleury, W. Frank, S. Gramkowski,

J. Hoiness, M. McGee, C. Montalbano, R. Peterson and

C. Stevens.

Absent: None.

Other staff members in attendance:

Public Works Director Brent Anderson, Budget and Finance Officer Sarah Turnipseed, Community Development Planner Gina DelRose, Police Chief Shane Woody, Fire Chief Shawn Schadle, City Attorney Mike Drella, City Treasurer Mary Volkey and City Clerk Erica Bluege.

(2) Pledge of Allegiance:

Invocation: Mayor Clinton Morris.

- (3) Public Comment:
  - (A) Cheryl Hribik, 715 E. Lincoln Ave, spoke in regards to the smell of natural gas on her street.
  - (B) Mayor Morris presented a plaque and car magnets to Tammy Taylor, Team Lead of Walmart, in recognition of being the honorary parade marshal at the Heritage Days Parade.
- (4) Approval of Minutes:
  - (A) Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of the Belvidere City Council of June 16, 2025; as presented.

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Motion by Ald. Hoiness, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ald. Albertini to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Belvidere City Council of June 16, 2025. Voice vote carried. Motion carried.

# (5) Public Hearing:

(A) Annexation Agreement relating to real property generally located North of Bus. U.S. Route 20 and East of Beaver Valley Road.

Mayor Morris opened the Public Hearing at 6:14p.m. and stated the publication for the Public Hearing on Annexation Agreement relating to real property generally located North of Bus. U.S. Route 20 and East of Beaver Valley Road that appeared in the Boone County Journal on June 12, 2025, and asked if there was anyone here to address the public hearing, there being none the public hearing closed at 6:15p.m.

- (6) Special Messages and Proclamations: None.
- (7) Approval of Expenditures: None.
- (8) Committee Reports and Minutes of City Officers:
  - (A) Approval of the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Public Safety and Finance and Personnel of June 23, 2025; as presented.

Motion by Ald. Peterson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ald. Stevens to approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole – Public Safety and Finance and Personnel of June 23, 2025. Discussion took place regarding a scrivener's error on the date of the Block Party Request for the Belvidere First Assembly Church. The minutes read August 11 and it should be August 16. It was noted the minutes would be corrected. Voice vote carried. Motion carried.

### (9) Unfinished Business:

(A) Ord. #727H – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Certain Personal Property (City Vehicles).

Motion by Ald. Peterson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ald. Gramkowski to pass Ord. #727H. Discussion took place regarding how the vehicles are sold. It was noted they go to auction with the

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minimum bid probably being the scrap value. Roll call vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Albertini, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski, Hoiness, McGee, Montalbano, Peterson and Stevens. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(B) Ord. #728H – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: An Ordinance Authorizing the Exchange of Parking Areas Between the City of Belvidere and the Community Building Complex Committee of Boone County.

Motion by Ald. Gramkowski, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ald. Hoiness to pass Ord. #728H. Roll call vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski, Hoiness, McGee, Montalbano, Peterson, Stevens and Albertini. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(C) Ord. #729H – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: An Ordinance Granting a Special Use to Allow Outdoor Storage within the GI, General Industrial District (845 E. Jackson Street).

Motion by Ald. Peterson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ald. Stevens to pass Ord. #729H. Roll call vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski, Hoiness, McGee, Montalbano, Peterson, Stevens, Albertini and Brereton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

# (10) New Business:

- (A) Ord. #730H 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of an Annexation Agreement Between the City of Belvidere, Black Hawk Reserve LLC, and Contry Homes LLC.
- (B) Ord. #731H 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory Lying North of US Business Route 20, and East of Beaver Valley Road to the City of Belvidere, Boone County, Illinois.

Let the record show Ordinance #730H and #731H were placed on file for first reading.

Motions forwarded from Committee of the Whole – Public Safety, Finance & Personnel of June 23, 2025.

### Motions of Public Safety

- (A) Motion to accept the \$1,500.00 donation from the Boone County Treasurer on behalf of the Boone County Department of Public Health to be used by the Belvidere/Boone County Explorer Post. Roll call vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Frank, Gramkowski, Hoiness, McGee, Montalbano, Peterson, Stevens, Albertini, Brereton and Fleury. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- (B) Motion to authorize Chief Shane Woody to sign the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Belvidere and the State Line Area Narcotics

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Team. Roll call vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Gramkowski, Hoiness, McGee, Montalbano, Peterson, Stevens, Albertini, Brereton, Fleury and Frank. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- (C) Motion to approve the Block Party Request from Belvidere First Assembly Church and to close 7<sup>th</sup> Ave and W. 5<sup>th</sup> Street as shown on the map provided, on August 16, 2025 from 8:00a.m. to 3:30p.m. Discussion took place regarding the date of the event. It was noted that the agenda has the date of the event as August 11<sup>th</sup> and it should be August 16<sup>th</sup>. Roll call vote: 10/0 in favor. Ayes: Hoiness, McGee, Montalbano, Peterson, Stevens, Albertini, Brereton, Fleury, Frank and Gramkowski. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- (11) Other: None.
- (12) Adjournment:

Attest:

Motion by Ald. Frank, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ald. Albertini to adjourn meeting at 6:27p.m. Voice vote carried. Motion carried.

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