BELVIDERE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Date: October 6, 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, R. Peterson and C. Stevens.

Absent: C. Montalbano

Other staff members in attendance:

Public Works Director Brent Anderson, Budget and Finance Officer Sarah Turnipseed, Director of Buildings Kip Countryman, 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:

Mayor Morris invited City Council and those in attendance to the 2025 Domestic Violence Awareness Shining The Light Ceremony being held tomorrow night from 5:00p.m. to 6:00p.m. at the Keen Age Center.

- (4) Approval of Minutes:
 - (A) Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of the Belvidere City Council of September 15, 2025; as presented.

Motion by Ald. Hoiness, 2nd by Ald. Stevens to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Belvidere City Council of September 15, 2025. Voice vote carried. Motion carried.

(5) Public Hearing:

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(A) Annexation Agreement relating to real property located at 5147 Chrysler Drive, Belvidere, Illinois.

Mayor Morris opened the Public Hearing at 6:03p.m. and stated the publication for the Public Hearing on Annexation Agreement relating to real property located at 5147 Chrysler Drive, Belvidere, Illinois appeared in the Belvidere Republican on September 11, 2025, and asked if there was anyone here to address the public hearing, there being none the public hearing closed at 6:04p.m.

- (6) Special Messages and Proclamations:
 - (A) Recognition of Service & Bravery Kristopher Norman.

Fire Chief Schadle presented a certificate and coin to resident Kristopher Norman in recognition his service and bravery. Kristopher Norman notice a residential house on fire and upon learning a dog was still in the house went in and saved it.

(B) Proclamation for Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Mayor Morris presented the Proclamation for Domestic Violence Awareness Month to Gina DelRose.

- (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 September 22, 2025; as presented.

Motion by Ald. Peterson, 2nd by Ald. Hoiness to approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole – Public Safety and Finance and Personnel of September 22, 2025. Voice vote carried. Motion carried.

- (9) Unfinished Business:
 - (A) Ord. #734H: 2nd Reading An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of an Annexation Agreement Between the City of Belvidere and Joshua Robertson Relating to 5147 Chrysler Drive.

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Motion by Ald. Fleury, 2nd by Ald. Gramkowski to pass Ord. #734H. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Albertini, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski, Hoiness, McGee, Peterson and Stevens. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(B) Ord. #735H: 2nd Reading – An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory Located at 5147 Chrysler Drive to the City of Belvidere, Boone County, Illinois.

Motion by Ald. Peterson, 2nd by Ald. Stevens to pass Ord. #735H. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski, Hoiness, McGee, Peterson, Stevens and Albertini. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(C) Ord. #736H: 2nd Reading – An Ordinance Annexing Certain Properties Commonly Known as 314 Brocket Trl., 318 Brocket Trl., 684 Red Deer Trail, and a Portion of the Harbour at Beaver Creek, Boone County Illinois to the City of Belvidere, Boone County, Illinois.

Motion by Ald. Hoiness, 2nd by Ald. Stevens to pass Ord. #736H. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski, Hoiness, McGee, Peterson, Stevens, Albertini and Brereton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(D) Ord. #737H: 2nd Reading – An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory Lying North of US Business Route 20, and South of Squaw Prairie Road Consisting of Certain Lots in the Final Plats 1 & 2 of the Deer Hills Subdivisions and the Deer Woods II Subdivision to the City of Belvidere, Boone County, Illinois.

Motion by Ald. Hoiness, 2nd by Ald. Albertini to pass Ord. #737H. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Frank, Gramkowski, Hoiness, McGee, Peterson, Stevens, Albertini, Brereton and Fleury. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(E) Ord. #738H: 2nd Reading – An Ordinance Authorizing an Intra Fund Loan from the City of Belvidere General Fund to the Water & Sewer Fund for Design Engineering of the WWTP Upgrades to Meet Eligibility Requirements of the Water Pollution Control Loan Program.

Motion by Ald. Stevens, 2nd by Ald. Hoiness to pass Ord. #738H. Motion by Ald. Brereton, 2nd by Ald. Stevens to amend the motion to include the loan amount of \$1,900,000.00. Roll call vote on motion to amend the motion to include the loan amount of \$1,900,000.00: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Gramkowski, Hoiness, McGee, Peterson, Stevens, Albertini, Brereton, Fleury and Frank. Nays: None. Motion carried. Roll call vote on motion to approve an ordinance authorizing an intra fund loan in the amount of \$1,900,000.00 from the City of Belvidere General Fund to the Water & Sewer Fund for design engineering of the WWTP upgrades to meet eligibility requirements of the Water Pollution Control Loan Program: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Hoiness, McGee, Peterson, Stevens, Albertini, Brereton, Fleury, Frank and Gramkowski. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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(F) Ord. #739H: 2nd Reading – An Ordinance Amending Section 110-92, Yield Intersections, of the City of Belvidere Municipal Code to Add Willow Street at Douglas Street as Two-Way Yield.

Motion by Ald. Frank, 2nd by Ald. Albertini to pass Ord. #739H. Discussion took place regarding installation of the yield sign. It was noted installation will be 10 days following the publication of the ordinance. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: McGee, Peterson, Stevens, Albertini, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski and Hoiness. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(G) Ord. #740H: 2nd Reading – An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Certain Personal Property (Fire Department Engine).

Motion by Ald. Peterson, 2nd by Ald. Stevens to pass Ord. #740H. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Peterson, Stevens, Albertini, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Gramksowski, Hoiness and McGee. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(H) Ord. #741H: 2nd Reading – An Ordinance Granting a Zoning District Change from RH, Rural Holding District to SR-6, Single-Family Residential-6 District (5147 Chrysler Dr.).

Motion by Ald. Hoiness, 2nd by Ald. Peterson to pass Ord. #741H. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Aye: Stevens, Albertini, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski, Hoiness, McGee and Peterson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(10) New Business:

(A) Ord. #742H: 1st Reading – An Ordinance Vacating an Alley Generally Lying South of 6th St. and North of 7th St. and East of Union Ave. in the City of Belvidere, Illinois.

Let the record show Ordinance #742H was placed on file for first reading.

(B) Res. #2025-17: A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement between the City of Belvidere and Konica Minolta Business Solutions U.S.A. Inc.

Motion by Ald. Stevens, 2nd by Ald. Hoiness to adopt Res. #2025-18. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Albertini, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski, Hoiness, McGee, Peterson and Stevens. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motions forwarded from Committee of the Whole – Public Safety, Finance & Personnel of September 22, 2025.

- (A) Motion to accept grant funds from the Illinois Attorney General's Office Organized Retail Crime Program in the amount of \$16,000.00 and to authorize the Mayor and Finance Director to execute any documentation necessary to facilitate the receipt of grant funds. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski, Hoiness, McGee, Peterson, Stevens and Albertini. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- (B) Motion to appoint Alderperson Rory Peterson to serve as the acting chairperson for any meeting of the City of Belvidere Committee of the Whole or City Council in the absence of the mayor or mayor pro tem. This appointment shall expire on April 30, 2025. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski, Hoiness, McGee, Peterson, Stevens, Albertini and Brereton. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- (C) Motion to approve the purchase from Ascendence Trucks-Wisconsin, in the amount of \$64,900.00, for a 2013 International Workstar 7500 ten-yard dump truck. This truck will be paid for from Capital Line Item #41-5-752-8300. Discussion took place regarding the service records of the truck. It was noted that we will receive any service records Ascendence Trucks has and that an on-sight inspection was completed. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Frank, Gramkowski, Hoiness, McGee, Peterson, Stevens, Albertini, Brereton and Fleury. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- (11) Other: None.
- (12) Adjournment:

Attest:

Motion by Ald. Frank, 2nd by Ald. Peterson to adjourn meeting at 6:36p.m. Voice vote carried. Motion carried.

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