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Belvidere, Illinois)

BELVIDERE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

Date: March 16, 2026

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

Call to order by Mayor Morris.

(1) Roll Call: Present: J. Albertini, R. Brereton, M. Fleury, W. Frank, S. Gramkowski,
M. McGee, C. Montalbano, R. Peterson and C. Stevens.

Absent: J. Hoiness.

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 Captain Dave Burdick, City Attorney Mike Drella and
City Clerk Erica Bluege.

(2) Pledge of Allegiance:
Invocation: Mayor Morris.

(3) Public Comment:

(4) Approval of Minutes:

(A) Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of the Belvidere City Council of
March 2, 2026, as presented.

Motion by Ald. Albertini, 2nd by Ald. Stevens to approve the minutes of the regular
meeting of the Belvidere City Council of March 2, 2026. Aye voice vote carried.
Motion carried.

(5) Public Hearing: None.

(6) Special Messages and Proclamations: None.

(7) Approval of Expenditures: General & Special Fund Expenditures: \$2,642,372.56
Water & Sewer Fund Expenditures: \$ 527,946.05

Motion by Ald. Peterson, 2nd by Ald. Montalbano to approve the General & Special Fund Expenditures in the amount of \$2,642,372.56. Discussion took place regarding the expenditure to Automotive Solutions, with it being noted that it is for equipment installed in a 2026 Dodge Durango. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Albertini, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski, McGee, Montalbano, Peterson and Stevens. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Stevens, 2nd by Ald. Peterson to approve the Water & Sewer Fund Expenditures in the amount of \$527,946.05. Discussion took place regarding the payment to Gallagher for the Underground Fuel Tank. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski, McGee, Montalbano, Peterson, Stevens and Albertini. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(8) Committee Reports and Minutes of City Officers:

- (A) Monthly Report of Belvidere Police Department Overtime Pay for February 2026.
- (B) Monthly Report of Belvidere Fire Department Overtime Pay for February 2026.
- (C) Monthly Report of Community Development Department/Planning Department for February 2026.
- (D) Monthly Report of Building Department Revenues, Residential Building Permits, Commercial Permits and Case Reports for February 2026.
- (E) Monthly Financial Report for February 2026.
- (F) Monthly General Fund Report for February 2026.
- (G) Monthly Water/Sewer Report for February 2026.
- (H) No Donation Report for February 2026.

Let the record show these reports were placed on file.

- (I) Minutes of Committee of the Whole – Building, Planning and Zoning and Public Works of March 9, 2026.

Motion by Ald. Peterson, 2nd by Ald. Gramkowski to approve the minutes of Committee of the Whole – Building, Planning and Zoning and Public Works of March 9, 2026. Aye voice vote carried. Motion carried.

(9) Unfinished Business:

- (A) Ord. #752H – 2st Reading: An Ordinance Amending Section 110-198 of the City of Belvidere Municipal Code Handicap Parking Space Garden Drive.

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Motion by Ald. Peterson, 2nd by Ald. Stevens to pass Ord. #752H. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski, McGee, Montalbano, Peterson, Stevens, Albertini and Brereton. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(B) Res. #2026-7: A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of the Winnebago-Boone County Investigative Cooperative Memorandum of Understanding.

Motion by Ald. Gramkowski, 2nd by Ald. Peterson to adopt Res. #2026-7. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Frank, Gramkowski, McGee, Montalbano, Peterson, Stevens, Albertini, Brereton and Fleury. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(10) New Business:

(A) Ord. #753H – 1st Reading: FY27 Budget Ordinance.

Let the record show Ordinance #753H was placed on file for first reading.

(B) Res. #2026-8: A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement with Boone County Relating to a Jurisdictional Transfer of a Portion of Genoa Rd.

Motion by Ald. Stevens, 2nd by Ald. Peterson to adopt Res. #2026-8. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Gramkowski, McGee, Montalbano, Peterson, Stevens, Albertini, Brereton, Fleury and Frank. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motions forwarded from Committee of the Whole – Building, Planning and Zoning and Public Works of March 9, 2026.

(A) Motion to approve the 2026 Spring Branch Pickup. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: McGee, Montalbano, Peterson, Stevens, Albertini, Brereton, Fleury, Frank and Gramkowski. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(B) Motion to approve the 2026 MFT Street Maintenance Program as stated in the memo dated 1/8/2026. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Montalbano, Peterson, Stevens, Albertini, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski and McGee. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(C) Motion to approve Change Order #1, in the credit amount of \$82,393.34, for the WWTP Sludge Heater Replacement Project. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Peterson, Stevens, Albertini, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski, McGee and Montalbano. Nay: None. Motion carried.

(D) Motion to approve the additional cost of \$61,540.00 for the City's portion of the Illinois DCEO Regional Site Readiness Program Grant. Roll call vote: 9/0

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in favor. Ayes: Stevens, Albertini, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski, McGee, Montalbano and Peterson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(E) Motion to approve the work authorization amendment from CES, Inc. to complete the design engineering modifications for the Regional Site Readiness Grant Project, in the amount of \$48,900.00. This work will be paid for from Capital Funds. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Albertini, Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski, McGee, Montalbano, Peterson and Stevens. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(F) Motion to support re-establishing the City-County Coordinating Committee to meet quarterly. Roll call vote: 9/0 in favor. Ayes: Brereton, Fleury, Frank, Gramkowski, McGee, Montalbano, Peterson, Stevens and Albertini. Nays: None. Motion carried.

(11) Adjournment:

Motion by Ald. Montalbano, 2nd by Ald. Albertini to adjourn meeting at 6:22p.m. Aye voice vote carried. Motion carried.



Mayor

Attest:



City Clerk