

**CITY OF BEL-RIDGE  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2020  
6:00 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER-** The City of Bel-Ridge Board of Aldermen meeting was called to order by Mayor Willie Fair on Tuesday, December 1, 2020, at 6:03 PM.

**Roll Call      Board of Aldermen Present                      Board of Aldermen Absent**

Alderwoman Davis  
Alderwoman Abernathy  
Alderman Watts- 6:21 PM  
Alderman Tope  
Alderman Whitaker  
Alderman Robinson  
Mayor Fair

Following roll call, the City Clerk reported a quorum was present.

Motion to approve and amend the agenda to include a resolution of the tree service made by Alderman Whitaker and second by Alderman Robinson, all in favor vote received.

**Professional Interviews for Accounting Services**

A representative from UHY, LLC. introduced their company and provided information on the services that their company provides for accounting services.

The meeting continued to the next items on the agenda until Botz & Deal join the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion to approve October 6, 2020, and November 10, 2020 minutes made by Alderman Whitaker and second Alderman Watts, an all-in favor voted received.

**CITY CLERK'S REPORT**

New Business License Application

- Princess Aurelio came before the board to present her business idea and seek approval from the Board of Alderman. Princess is interested in starting a home base business in retail, furniture sales, photography, consultant, and distribution. The City Attorney made Ms. Aurelio aware that retail sales are not zoned to do business out of a residential home. Jim Krischke will set a date and time to meet with Ms. Aurelio to come up with other options.

Meeting returns to the second presentation of accounting firm Botz & Deal. Michele Graham introduces herself and gives the Board a background review of her expertise as an accountant and provides the Board with the services that Botz & Deal will provide to the City as their accountant.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion to approve the review of January 2021 disbursements of bills made by Alderman Robinson and seconded by Alderman Whitaker, all- in favor vote received.

### **RETURN TO CITY CLERK'S REPORT SECTION OF AGENDA**

Update status from SWT Design, Jay Wohlschlaeger about the pocket park. The design work started in December. Jay provides slides of 3 different options the Board can choose from to review.

The Parking Spot is requesting temporary relief on their business license fee. The company did no business in 2020 because of the pandemic. They are asking for some sort of discount. The Board is requesting the business to provide 2019 and 2020 financial statements and the Board will review the information and address it at the next meeting.

### **CITY STAFF'S REPORT**

Municipal Court- Nothing at this time

Public Works- Nothing at this time

Police Department- Chief Harris reported on all officers receiving the 1<sup>st</sup> shot of the vaccinations.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None at this time

**NEW BUSINESS**  
**RESOLUTIONS**

**Resolution 2021 (C)**

A motion made by Alderman Robinson authorizing the city of Bel-Ridge, Mo. to enter into and execute a contract with St. Louis County, Missouri for Vector Control Services and authorizing and directing the Board of Alderman of the City of Bel-Ridge, Mo. to enter into on behalf of said City a contract with St. Louis County, Missouri for vector Control Services and, seconded by Alderman Whitaker.

**ROLL CALL**

Alderwoman Davis- Yes  
Alderwoman Abernathy- Absent  
Alderman Watts- left the meeting  
Alderman Tope- Yes  
Alderman Robinson- Yes  
Alderman Whitaker- Yes

Motion passed.

**Omni Tree**

Doug Seely needs an agreement to be signed to process the 2021 Tree Grant. Alderman Robinson was not happy with Doug Seely's service last year. Motion to table made by Alderman Robinson to discuss at a late date and seconded by Alderman Whitaker, an all-in favor vote received.

**Resolution 2021 (D)**

A motion made approving an extension of the professional services agreement with James Krischke up to and through January 31, 2021, for City Management and consulting services concerning the City's TIF district and general operations of the City of Bel-Ridge and clarifying his role in the city business and second by Alderman Davis.

**ROLL CALL**

Alderwoman Davis- Yes  
Alderwoman Abernathy- Absent  
Alderman Watts- left the meeting  
Alderman Tope- Yes

Alderman Robinson- Yes  
Alderman Whitaker- Yes

Motion passed

Resolution 2021 (E)

A motion made by Alderman Davis to amend the resolution to include Botz & Deal and authorizing the Mayor to enter and execute the professional services agreement on behalf of the City of Bel-Ridge, Missouri for accounting services about the City's tax increment financing district and general accounting needs and second by Alderman Robinson.

**ROLL CALL**

Alderwoman Davis- Yes  
Alderwoman Abernathy- Yes  
Alderman Watts- left the meeting  
Alderman Tope- Yes  
Alderman Robinson- Yes  
Alderman Whitaker- Yes

Motion passed.

Resolution 2021 (F)

A motion was made by Alderman Robinson to authorize the issuance of a request for proposals for demolition and cleanup of properties owned by the City of Bel-Ridge and second by Alderwoman Davis, an all-in favor vote received.

Resolution 2021 (G)

A motion was made by Alderman Whitaker to authorize the Mayor to enter into and execute an employee leasing agreement with GovTempsUSA, LLC. on behalf of the City of Bel-Ridge, Missouri for placement of a temporary project manager to assist with resolving issues with the City's Tax Increment Financing District, oversee the proper allocation of funds for municipal and TIF purposes, and provide management consulting on general city operations beginning February 1, 2021, through April 30, 2021, and second by Alderman Robinson.

**ROLL CALL**

Alderwoman Davis- Yes  
Alderwoman Abernathy- Absent  
Alderman Watts- left the meeting  
Alderman Tope- Yes  
Alderman Robinson- Yes  
Alderman Whitaker- Yes

Motion passed.

Motion to go into a closed session made by Alderman Robinson according to Section 610.021 (1) legal action, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body, and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representative or attorneys and seconded by Alderman Whitaker.

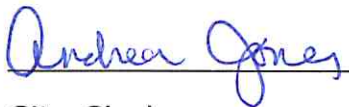
**ROLL CALL**

Alderwoman Davis- Yes  
Alderwoman Abernathy- absent  
Alderman Watts- absent  
Alderman Whitaker- Yes  
Alderman Tope- Yes  
Alderman Robinson- Yes

Motion to adjourn and proceed into close session passed.

The meeting minutes were taken and transcribed by City Clerk, Andrea Jones.

February 2, 2021, board meeting minutes were approved by the Board this  
13<sup>th</sup> day of April \_\_\_\_\_ 2021.

  
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City Clerk