

**MINUTES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE CITY OF BELLE MEADE
NOVEMBER 20, 2019**

Call to order

The meeting was called to order by James Hunt, Mayor at 4:00pm.

Commissioners present

James Hunt, Mayor Louise Bryan, Vice-Mayor Cathy Altenbern
Bob Weigel Rusty Moore

City staff members present

Beth Reardon, City Manager Tim Eads, Police Chief
Lyle Patterson, City Official Larry Smith, Public Works Director
Doug Berry, City Attorney Edie Glaser, City Recorder

I. Pledge of Allegiance - led by Mayor Hunt

Mayor Jim Hunt began the meeting with a moment of silence and respect for Mr. Tom Corcoran, Belle Meade resident and former Belle Meade Commissioner from 2002-2010, who passed away.

II. Public Comments -

Mathew Perkins, 414 Lynnwood Boulevard, voiced his concern about the speed on Lynnwood Boulevard. He along with some of his neighbors have small children. He supports whatever is necessary to cut down on the speed and make a more friendly community environment for people to be outside and no danger of being hit when at their mailbox.

Stephen Kerr, 432 Lynnwood Boulevard, voiced his concern about the speed and traffic on Lynnwood Boulevard. He is very much in support of anything can be done to reduce it.

Kay Lang, 420 Lynnwood Boulevard, stated she and several of her neighbors have sent emails regarding the speed on Lynnwood and supports any measures that can be taken to reduce it. She has met with Chief Eads to discuss the speed and thanked the Commissioners and Chief Eads for taking their concern seriously.

William Robertson, 408 Lynnwood Boulevard, expressed his concern of speed on Lynnwood Boulevard and drivers not paying attention. He is requesting something be done to control the speeding.

Chief Eads addressed the Public and Commissioners about the speed issue on Lynnwood Boulevard. He agreed that the volume of traffic and speed has increased. The average speed through Lynnwood is about 29.5 miles per hour. When you look at the 85th percentile it is a little higher than it should be, at 34 miles per hour. One lane is a little faster than the other. Chief Eads suggests we try something on a temporary basis that is inexpensive. If the data shows it is effective, we can stay with that measure, then look for something more permanent. The Department received a grant allowing them to hire a part-time police officer. His primary duty is speed enforcement and safety. He has been working the 400 block of Lynnwood as well as other streets that have serious speeding and cut-through issues.

Mayor, Hunt said citations are the first thing to do to help educate people with the speed. The Commissioners are preparing other options that will have an effect on lowering the speed and perhaps some volume on Lynnwood

Vice Mayor Bryan explained the problem with just relying on enforcement is that many cars coming through Belle Meade are not Belle Meade residents and they are not aware that Belle Meade has a history of enforcing their speed limit very forcefully, so their behavior will not change. The installation of traffic calming measures can change the behavior immediately. The result is the traffic slows down.

Mayor Hunt mentioned delineators as a quick and easy solution as we are working on a traffic study. Speed humps could be considered. Vice Mayor Bryan added that the speed bumps are more expensive and permanent. They have received mixed reviews on the speed humps on Jackson Boulevard.

Belle Meade resident Tom Starkey, 420B Lynnwood Boulevard, commented he does not care if others do not agree or like the measures taken to reduce the speed if it will make Lynnwood Boulevard safe. Mayor Hunt closed the discussion saying the City will do something and for the residence to be at ease.

District 23 Councilman, Thom Druffel, was introduced by Mayor Hunt. He reported on the first Community Meeting, which Commissioner Moore attended, and the financial condition of the City of Nashville.

III. Minutes -

Regular Meeting held October 16, 2019

Motion to approve: Weigle Second: Moore Vote: All aye

IV. Public Works - Reports submitted by L. Smith reviewed.

1. The three bids for tree trimming on Belle Meade Boulevard are listed below. This is not done every year. Last time was 2015. We do not want NES to trim the trees.

-Ace Contractors	\$67,900.00
-LSI	\$49,000.00
-The Parke Co.	\$25,730.00

**Motion to approve the bid from The Parke Company: Moore Second: Bryan
Vote: All aye**

V. City Services

A. Public Safety - Reports submitted by T. Eads reviewed.

<u>268</u> Traffic citations	<u>7</u> Traffic crashes	<u>56</u> Alarm calls
<u>2</u> Burglaries	<u>3</u> Theft reports	<u>13</u> Arrests

LPR (License Plate Recognition Reader), October 1-31, 2019

4 - Stolen Tags	1 - Stolen tag with Arrest Citation
1 - Confiscated Tag	1 - Stolen Vehicle Recovered
1 - Stolen Vehicle Misread	

B. Health and Sanitation - Reports submitted by N. McVay reviewed.

C. Building/Zoning/Planning - Reports from L. Patterson reviewed.

<u>7</u> Permits issued ** \$ 3,400,050.00 Estimated construction cost
<u>1</u> Permit closed ** <u>2</u> Grading/soil permits issues ** <u>0</u> Closed Stormwater complaints filed

D. Waste Collection - NO MATTERS

E. Beautification/ Landscape

1. Monthly report - Beautification Chair, Laura Katherine Wood, announced the Committee is on its second year. Starting in January they will be introducing sub committees. The Beautification Logo was presented. LK Wood explained the items in the logo and what they represented. Applause was given for the beautiful logo presented.

F. City Communications - NO MATTERS

VI. Administration -

A. Finance

1. Financial Stmts - Reports submitted by L. Mills reviewed.
2. Investment Schedules - Reports submitted by L. Mills reviewed.
3. Approval of Invoices over \$5,000 -
 - Keystone Business Solutions \$ 12,616.19
 - Sessions Paving Company \$230,999.00

Motion to approve: Bryan Second: Moore Vote: All aye

B. Facility - NO MATTERS

C. Personnel - NO MATTERS

VII. LEGISLATION -

1. Ordinance 2019-9, Amending Title 14 Of the Belle Meade Municipal Code (Hereinafter "The Zoning Code") To Apply A Neighborhood Conservation Overlay to All Four Zoning Districts in the City, on first reading

Motion to approve: Moore Second: Bryan Vote: All aye

2. Ordinance 2019-10, Amending Title 12, Chapter 1, Section 101 (1) of the Belle Meade Municipal Code to Adopt the 2015 International Residential Code in Place of the 2009 International Residential Code, on the first reading

Motion to approve: Bryan Second: Moore Vote: All aye

3. Ordinance 2019-11, Adopting Regulations for Tree Management And Protection, on first reading

Motion to approve: Bryan Second: Moore Vote: All aye

4. Resolution 2019-05 - Amend Resolution 2019-04 to Amend deadline for Moratorium on Issuance of Demolition Permits

Motion to Defer for one month: Moore Second: Bryan Vote All aye

VIII. other Matters - NONE

Meeting adjourned at 5:23pm

Mayor James Hunt

City Recorder Edie Glaser