Council Minutes June 05, 2025

The Common Council of the City of Belington met for a public hearing of a Kayak Rental Lease at Belington Reservoir Property, Thursday, June 05, 2025 at 7:30 p.m., with Mayor Joey Bolyard presiding. **No public in attendance**.

The Common Council of the City of Belington met in regular session Thursday, June 05, 2025 at 7:30 p.m. Mayor Joey Bolyard presiding.

Council attending: Craig Bolton, Cindy Hart, Charles Alth, Josh Racshella, and Lana Fowler.

Also attending: Connie Stewart, Assistant City Clerk; Belington Police Chief, Joshua Hymes; John Rider, City Coordinator/Sewer; Also in attendance: Brycen Hymes, Maureen Lasky Setchell, and Laura Ashby.

Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m.

Roll Call

Councilman Bolton moved to approve the June 05, 2025 agenda as presented. Councilman Alth seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of May 15, 2025 Council meeting minutes. Councilman Alth made a motion to accept; Councilman Raschella seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Laura Ashby approached council with an issue of 4 wheelers, with kids on them, at the end of North Hice Street, riding on the road. She said they are underage and not wearing helmets. She stated that she had called the Sheriff on Sunday and they had come out to address the issue.

Maureen Lasky Setchell approached council that she lived at the end of Hice Street and that it was her kids/grandkids that were riding the 4 wheelers. She also stated that they have only been on her property since the Sheriff's Department talked to them.

Discussion. Chief Hymes clarified that it is legal for them to ride on their own property.

The Belington Public Library submitted a letter asking for Morgan Vealey to replace Janet Sinsel as a board member. Councilman Bolton made the motion to approve Morgan Vealey as a board member. Councilman Raschella seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chief Hymes gave his report for May, 2025. The Belington Police Department had 68 calls of service and 27 traffic stops. 32 citation(s) issued including 0 charge(s) for traffic offense, 32 city ordinance violations, and 27 warnings. 1 misdemeanor arrests, 2 felony arrests, 2 traffic accidents, 0 process notice(s) served, and 1 background check(s). He also passed out a list of the citations written and the officer that wrote each one.

Assistant City Clerk Stewart reported that our yearly audit will start Monday.

Board of Parks liaison, Councilwoman Hart, reported that the BOP has went to one meeting per month for the summer. Discussion concerning the city attorney coming to the next meeting. Per Mayor Bolyard, the next meeting needs to be June 12th when the attorney can come. Councilwoman Hart also reported that she let the BOP know that council voted to not tear down

the bleachers at the civic center gym.

The Yak Shack contract, with the BOP and the City, to put a kayak rental station at the reservoir was discussed. Councilman Raschella made the motion to sign the contract after the rental price was corrected to the new price scale the BOP created. Councilman Bolton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilman Bolton made the motion to waive the 2nd reading and adopt Ordinance 04-2025 (Ordinance for Cost-of-Living Adjustment for the City of Belington Employees. Councilwoman Fowler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Consideration of June 05, 2025 Invoices, Councilman Alth made the motion to accept, Councilman Bolton seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Bolyard discussed the city clean-up and stated that the dumpster part of the clean-up will be set up soon and will be done rain or shine.

Councilman Bolton discussed a tree behind Town & Country and requested that a letter be sent to Councilman Corley due to attendance of meetings.

Councilman Alth discussed the Mayor and Chief of Police go over ordinances and start posting them on Facebook for people to see. He also wants the 4wheeler issue address.

Councilwoman Fowler questioned the water laying on Elliott Ave and a barking dog on Brown

Councilman Raschella questioned the grass violation process.

There will be no meeting on June 19th due to being a holiday and the city offices being closed.

Councilwoman Hart made the motion to go into executive session at 8:37. Councilman Raschella seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilman Hart made the motion to go into regular session at 8:45. Councilman Bolton seconded the motion. Motion carried. No action taken.

Motion to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. by Councilman Bolton, Councilwoman Hart seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously

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