



Village of Bellevue January 2009 E-mail Newsletter

Village of Bellevue Governmental Meetings:

Village Council: Tuesday, January 13, 2009 7:00
p.m. Bellevue Village Hall
Tuesday, January 27, 2009 7:00
p.m. Bellevue Village Hall



Bellevue Joint Planning Commission: Tuesday, January 20, 2009 7:00 p.m.
Bellevue Township Hall

Holidays:

The Village of Bellevue offices will be closed on the following days in January

New Year's Day	Thursday, January 1, 2009
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Monday, January 19, 2009

Council Meeting Synopsis:

December 9, 2008: The council again discussed the Goforth Group and their proposal. Action was taken and the Village will be working over the coming weeks to revise the proposal to grant the venture the best chance of meeting the community's desires as set forth in the community master plan.

An update was given to the council regarding the proposed location of a cellular tower on the Village's water tower. The Village's attorney has informed the council that he believes the two parties have reached consensus and we should expect revised agreements for action.

The council also took action regarding the Village's utility rates. Based on a recommendation from Village Hall the council approved a rate increase of \$0.25 per thousand for water and \$0.50 per thousand for sewer. This rate increase was necessary to help keep both utility systems viable. Our last rate increase was in 2006 and it was only to cover the bonds issued at that time used for utility infrastructure projects. The last rate increase to cover daily operating expenses was in January 2004. The council and Village employees are very aware of the difficult economic times and will continue to work hard to keep the costs to provide these services to our residents as low as possible.

December 23,2008: The 2009 Village of Bellevue Budget was adopted and year-end amendments were made to the 2008 Village Budget. The council also decided to move forward with the Goforth Group. This project will address several recommended actions listed in the Bellevue Community Master Plan. Some of the things we are hoping to accomplish are to stimulate economic development, provide a more comprehensive inventory of housing options, such as senior housing, and promote growth that will benefit the community as a whole, including the schools and local businesses.

2009 Village of Bellevue Council Meeting Schedule:

The Village Council will meet on the second and the fourth Tuesday of each month in 2009. Village council meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. at Bellevue Village Hall, 201 N. Main St. Below is a list of the regular council meeting dates.

2009 Bellevue Village Council Meeting Schedule

Tuesday	January 13, 2009	Tuesday	July 14, 2009
Tuesday	January 27, 2009	Tuesday	July 28, 2009
Tuesday	February 10, 2009	Tuesday	August 11, 2009
Tuesday	February 24, 2009	Tuesday	August 25, 2009
Tuesday	March 10, 2009	Tuesday	September 8, 2009
Tuesday	March 24, 2009	Tuesday	September 22, 2009
Tuesday	April 14, 2009	Tuesday	October 13, 2009
Tuesday	April 28, 2009	Tuesday	October 27, 2009
Tuesday	May 12, 2009	Tuesday	November 10, 2009
Tuesday	May 26, 2009	Tuesday	November 24, 2009
Tuesday	June 9, 2009	Tuesday	December 8, 2009
Tuesday	June 23, 2009	Tuesday	December 22, 2009

2009 Bellevue Joint Planning Commission Meeting Schedule:

The Bellevue Joint Planning Commission will meet on the third Tuesday of each month in 2009. Commission meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. at Bellevue Township Hall, 115 N. Main St. Below is a list of the regular commission meeting dates.

2009 Bellevue Joint Planning Commission Meeting Schedule

Tuesday	January 20, 2009	Tuesday	July 21, 2009
Tuesday	February 27, 2009	Tuesday	August 18, 2009
Tuesday	March 17, 2009	Tuesday	September 15, 2009
Tuesday	April 21, 2009	Tuesday	October 20, 2009
Tuesday	May 19, 2009	Tuesday	November 17, 2009
Tuesday	June 16, 2009	Tuesday	December 15, 2009

Council Members:

Here is a list of the Bellevue Village Council Members.

Denise Poyer, Village President (November 2010)
Don Bolthouse, Village Trustee (November 2010)
Thomas Moon, Village Trustee (November 2010)
Eric Johnson, Village Trustee (November 2010)
Vacant (November 2010)
Bernard Holcomb, Village Trustee (November 2012)
Stephen Racine, Village Trustee (November 2012)



Vacant Council Seat

Attention Village of Bellevue Residents:

The Village of Bellevue has a vacant council seat, term ending November 2010. Applications for this position can be picked up at Bellevue Village Hall or found on our web site at www.bellevuemi.net. The deadline to submit an application is 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 13, 2009. The council will review the submitted applications at the regularly scheduled council meeting on January 13, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. This meeting will be held at Bellevue Village Hall.

The Village will accept hand delivered, mailed, or faxed applications to Bellevue Village Hall. If there are any questions please contact Bellevue Village Hall at 763-9571. The fax number is 763-9998 for those wishing to fax an application.

Christmas Season Recognition:

The Village would like to thank all those individuals and groups that worked to help make this holiday season so wonderful.

Thank you to the Lioness Club for the beautiful new decorations adorning our downtown and Bellevue Volunteer Firefighters for hanging them. Both groups do a great job of dressing up the community for the holidays.

Thank you to the Village employees for your help in setting up decorations and keeping the lights working throughout December.

Thank you to Deb Black and Shining Stars Child Care Center for organizing the fifth annual Christmas Parade. It may have been cold but it was a fun day and the school band participating was great.



Thank you to Mark and Julie Jordan and the Bellevue Hardware for hosting Santa Night. The children in our community always enjoy the opportunity to visit with Santa Clause in Bellevue.

Sincerely,
Village of Bellevue