

July 11, 2023
 Village of Bellevue
 Council Minutes

President B. Balkema called the meeting of the Bellevue Village Council to order at 7:00 p.m. with a Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. This meeting was at Bellevue Village Hall.

Roll Call:

Present: D. Swartz, S. Roberts, B. Balkema, R. Spaulding, L. Fulcher, L. Pfiester. Absent: H. Coy

D. Swartz moved to approve the Agenda for the July 11, 2023 council meeting, seconded by R. Spaulding. Motion carried.

S. Roberts moved to approve the Minutes from June 27, 2023, seconded by D. Swartz. Motion carried.

D. Swartz moved that the Village pay the July 11, 2023 invoices, seconded by S. Roberts Motion carried.

General

* Cardmember Services	\$704.32
Bellevue Hardware	\$52.18
DeLau Fire Services	\$102.50
Gabridge & Co. PLC	\$8,800.00
Republic Services	\$2,092.12
County Journal	\$61.10
	\$11,812.22

Sewer

* Cardmember Services	\$56.24
Bellevue Hardware	\$169.31
Consumers Energy	\$947.13
Clearbrooke	
Technology	\$600.00
DeLau Fire Services	\$174.25
	\$1,946.93

Local

	\$0.00
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Water

* Alexander	\$58.00
* Ferguson	\$4,481.55
*MBWA	\$535.00
* Cardmember Services	\$343.93
* WOW	\$99.99
Bellevue Hardware	\$89.34
Galloup	\$93.68
ETNA	\$24.89
DeLau Fire Services	\$51.25
	\$5,777.63

Major

Equipment

* WEX	\$630.07
Bellevue Hardware	\$23.00

	DeLau Fire Services	\$206.00
	Williams Farm	
	Machinery	\$92.00
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\$0.00		\$951.07

B. Balkema moved to counter-offer the Bellevue Fire Control Board that the Village of Bellevue will pay the Bellevue Fire Control Board \$8,000 per quarter, effective upon the acceptance of this agreement until December 31st, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. The Village of Bellevue is unwilling to sign another contract until the contract that they withdrew from is fully dissolved and settled, seconded by D. Swartz. Motion carried by Roll Call vote: D. Swartz, S. Roberts, B. Balkema, R. Spaulding, L. Fulcher, L. Pfiester - Ayes.

L. Pfiester made a resolution to make Brandon Balkema, the Village Council President, the signatory on the Administrative Consent Order for the Wastewater Treatment Plant and Collection Systems, seconded by D. Swartz. Motion carried by Roll Call vote: D. Swartz, S. Roberts, B. Balkema, R. Spaulding, L. Fulcher, L. Pfiester – Ayes. H. Coy – Absent.

R. Spaulding made a resolution that the Village Council recognizes that EGLE requires the Village of Bellevue to be bound by the terms and conditions of an Administrative Consent Order and agrees to its terms and conditions. This includes the outlined specifics and timelines of what must be done to bring the Wastewater Treatment Plant and Collection Systems up to EGLE’s requirements. It also stipulates the fines and costs due and when they must be paid, seconded by S. Roberts. Motion carried by Roll Call vote: D. Swartz, S. Roberts, B. Balkema, R. Spaulding, L. Fulcher, L. Pfiester – Ayes. Absent: H. Coy.

The council discussed the possibility of having a village-wide garbage collection service if they pass the single-axle truck ordinance; this could save the Village residents 30-40% on their garbage bills. We would have to add the cost to the water/sewer billing or taxes, so we would need to have a public meeting and possibly a vote at some point if we were to move forward. They also discussed the Bellevue Fire Control Boards’ offer to keep our settlement amount and use it to pay our bill until it is used up. The council is not interested in entertaining that idea currently. N. Roberts told the council that the 2022 audit had been completed and that the auditors would be at a meeting soon to present the findings. N. Roberts updated the council on the S. Williams St. Water Main project, which is almost complete. N. Roberts discussed a few issues at the music in the park and car show event by the Bellevue Athletic Boosters and what needs to be done differently on the Boosters’ end to ensure that these things do not happen again. We also discussed advertising for a part-time police officer if the full-time position does not get filled soon to relieve Chief Griffin.

D. Swartz moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:27 p.m., seconded by S. Roberts. Motion carried.

Nicole Roberts – Bellevue Village Manager